

other committee, the government might perhaps evade responsibility. Mr. Lemieux proceeded that Sir Thomas White had given the impression that the Bruce report was tabling. After many questions had been asked, Mr. Lemieux said, the government of the day had finally declared that 40 copies of the report had been sent from the other side. "But," he added, "you cannot find that report in the house or in the distribution office."

Out of twenty-three charges made by Dr. Bruce, Mr. Lemieux continued, the Baptie commissioner found that eighteen were true, and the reply of Dr. Bruce had not been tabling. Mr. Lemieux said he wished to impress upon the house the necessity of appointing an impartial commission to examine the whole overseas administration. It should inquire into: Col. Bruce's report and recommendations; the report of the Baptie commission; Col. Bruce's reply to the Baptie report; the Taplow Hospital scandal; the sending of the wounded through the British Isles, and the report of Lieut.-Col. J. S. Jenkins submitted to the overseas minister of militia on November 1, 1918.

Turning to the charges made by Col. Pratt, Mr. Lemieux said that this gentleman had stated that the conditions at Kimmel Camp were very bad. "I am informed," said Mr. Lemieux, "that our men were delayed in camp on the cabled instructions of the acting prime minister."

Col. Pratt continued Mr. Lemieux, had also declared that five or six men were killed in the Rhyll riots, and that they were not given military burial. He was charged that a number of Canadian soldiers were now languishing in the dungeons of the tower of London.

He said the verdict after the Rhyll riots was most unsatisfactory, and the inquiry of the coroner should be implemented by the government, so that the people of Canada might know what was the cause of the riots, and why Canadian boys were killed and buried so unceremoniously. He regarded it as "one of the worst tragedies of the war." Some of the men were murdered—cold-blooded murder—others were in the tower of London.

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General Mewburn continued that General Smart's charges were not very specific. He had stated that "the medical administration overseas has been bad," and directly after that stated that seven hospitals were under his command. Therefore, the charges were not very specific.

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**DOUKHOBORES FEAR RUSSIAN CONDITIONS**

If They Leave Canada, They Will Not Go Back Home.

WILLING TO MOVE IF LAND IS WANTED FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS.

Grand Forks, B.C., April 15.—That conditions now existing in Russia do not look inviting to the Doukhobors in Canada and that in leaving this country they would probably go to Australia or South Africa was made quite clear by Peter Verigin, head of the community Doukhobors in discussing the matter of their removal with the reconstruction committee. "We cannot think of going back to Russia. We would get killed if we went back there at present," said Mr. Verigin through his interpreter, who pointed out the revolutionary conditions now existing in Russia.

**WORLD MUST GET LUMBER FROM CANADA AND U. S.**

Chicago, April 15.—Roger E. Simons, who was sent to Russia in 1917 as a member of a United States government commission to study the lumber situation in the war devastated countries and who was taken prisoner by the Bolshevik government, and at one time to be shot, told the legislative commission investigating high prices for building material that the world was facing a lumber famine. Prices of lumber, he said, were certain to rise in the next few years because of the unprecedented demand for lumber for the reconstruction of the war-stricken regions. The major portion of this lumber, he said, would have to be supplied by the United States and Canada.

**SHORTAGE OF BUTTER REPORTED IN CANADA**

Amount of Creamery Butter in Storage Drops Nearly 70 Per Cent, as Compared With Preceding Month.

Ottawa, April 15.—Reduced stocks of butter in storage on April 1 are shown in a report which the cost of living branch has presented to the minister of labor. The total amount of creamery butter in storage on April 1 was 1,773,290 pounds, 69 per cent less than last year. The quantity of dairy butter in storage amounts to 116,983 pounds. Comparison figures show this to be 72 per cent less than last year and 76 per cent less than last year.

**PROVINCES ENTITLED TO TAX MINING**

Pretoria, South Africa, April 15.—(Reuter Despatch.)—In the test case brought by the Transvaal provincial administration against the new Modderfontein Gold Mining Company, the supreme court has decided that the provinces of the union, as well as the union government, are entitled to tax the mining industry.

**HAMILTON NEWS**

Hamilton, April 15.—With a warning to the people to beware of the Bolsheviks, and to devote all their efforts to creating a new world upon evolution, and not revolution, Peter Wright, councillor of the British Seamen's and Firemen's Union, gave his farewell address to Hamilton before the Women's Canadian Club in the I.O.O.F. Temple this afternoon.

**EXEMPTION SCANDAL AILED IN QUEBEC**

Witness Says Mother Pays One Thousand Five Hundred for Worthless Card.

Quebec, April 15.—A Cete of Montmagny, testified today before the court of King's bench at the trial of Goulet, Pion and Guay, in connection with the military service last July, when Goulet, Pion and Guay were exempted from the army for \$1,500 a head, a man, said Pion, "who can get your exemption for that sum."

**DOMINION SUBSIDIES TO MARCONI COMPANY**

Ottawa, Ont., April 15.—All contracts between the Marconi Wireless Company and the naval service department are set forth in a return table of the auditor C. F. Gray and H. C. Thompson, city treasurer, to New York. They are endeavoring to get through a bill of exchange which would make the bonds sold in England repayable in New York, and thus create a saving on exchange. It is hoped to reduce the city's debt by \$110,000, but the actual amount saving will be about \$55,000, city officials say.

**WINNIPEG WILL SAVE THOUSANDS ON BONDS**

Winnipeg, April 15.—A saving of between \$50,000 and \$60,000 may be effected, as the result of the trip of Mayor C. F. Gray and H. C. Thompson, city treasurer, to New York. They are endeavoring to get through a bill of exchange which would make the bonds sold in England repayable in New York, and thus create a saving on exchange. It is hoped to reduce the city's debt by \$110,000, but the actual amount saving will be about \$55,000, city officials say.

**LIMERICK GUARDED; ALL STORES CLOSED**

Soldiers Allow No One to Enter City Without Military Permits.

Limerick, Ireland, April 15.—All factories and stores in Limerick were closed today except provision and bread shops. During the night the military forces which are enforcing martial law in this region erected barriers across all the roads entering the city, and no persons except those with military permits are allowed to pass. All bridges over the River Shannon and other strategic points are being guarded heavily by the soldiers, while pickets are on the alert throughout the district.

**CORK WORKMEN IDLE**

Cork, April 15.—The workmen in Cork were idle today as the result of a proclamation of a strike by the trade unions in the city.

**NORTHLAND COOKS AT OLD PRANKS**

Transferred to the Saturnia Start Immediately to "Draw the Coin."

Calgary, Alta., April 15.—The Northland cooks and stewards have been up to their old pranks again, according to W. J. Dyson, the traveling representative of the Alberta Returned Soldiers' Committee. For some time, indeed, since all the rumpus was caused by the inquiry into the Northland case, there have been but few complaints on the score of food and accommodation.

**TWO MORE TRANSPORTS WILL ARRIVE SUNDAY**

Ottawa, April 15.—The militia department has been advised that the transport Grandman, carrying 434 Canadian soldiers and 779 dependents, a total of 1,213, will reach St. John on or about the 20th.

**MUNICH HANDS OF COMMUNISTS; TROOPS DEFEATED**

Government Forces Suffered Complete Reverse in Battle for Railway Station. MANY ARE KILLED

Reinforcements Are Being Hurried From Various Parts of Bavaria.

Berlin, April 15.—The battle in Munich for the central railway station ended in the complete defeat of the government troops, according to Nuremberg advices. The city is completely in the hands of the Communists, according to The Tagblatt.

Street fighting in the Bavarian capital is increasing. Many civilians have been killed or wounded. Reinforcements for the loyal troops are being hurried to Munich from various parts of Bavaria.

The communist force in Munich consists of parts of the garrison, red guards and unemployed. The government forces are declared to be having a hard battle with them.

The government has declined to enforce a food blockade against Munich owing to the distress it would cause in the city.

Disturbances in Brunswick. Disturbances in the Duchy of Brunswick continue. Bloodshed has been avoided in the town of Brunswick, but several persons have been killed or wounded in fighting at Holmstedt, Schoeningen and Eoersum between sailors and workers. Citizens supported the government troops.

At an attempt to disperse a crowd of demonstrators at Iserlohn, Westphalia, today the civilian guards threw bombs. Eight persons were injured and taken to hospitals and many windows were smashed.

The strike at Danzig came to an end yesterday. The railway traffic in that district again is normal.

**VICE-PRESIDENT INSPECTS C. P. R.**

No Definite Information is Available Yet, Owing to Government Action.

Winnipeg, Man., April 15.—Definite information on Canadian Pacific Railway branch lines for 1919 is not yet available, said Grant Hall, vice-president of the company, today on his return from a two-week inspection trip over western lines, "owing to the fact that our application for new charters has not been passed on by the house of commons and will not be taken up in committee until April 29."

**BRITISH WARSHIPS FOR CANADIAN TROOPS**

London, April 15.—In the house of commons Mr. Archibald Hurd asked: "Will the secretary for war arrange that Canadian troops now awaiting repatriation be sent home upon British warships in view of the scarcity of merchantmen?"

Mr. Wilson replied that the admiralty had agreed to place a certain number of warships at the disposal of the authorities for the repatriation of troops. The difficult question of manning was being discussed between the admiralty and the ministry of shipping. Anyhow, no difficulty was now being experienced in providing sufficient tonnage for the repatriation of Canadians in accordance with the program of the Canadian military authorities.

**M.S.A. Defaulter Detained While His Mother Was Dying**

Kingston, Ont., April 15.—George Cooper, Springbrook, sentenced by Magistrate Brewster to a fine of \$250 for failing to report for military duty under the M.S.A., was unable to attend his mother's funeral or to be there when she died. His mother was taken ill after his arrest at the Madoc Mines and he was kept in close custody while his brother was endeavoring to raise the money for the fine.

**Sixty People in Woodstock Participate in Housing Scheme**

Woodstock, April 15.—At a mass meeting tonight about thirty-five persons signed the intention of taking advantage of the government housing plan, while Secretary Lowman of the G.W.V.A. stated that about twenty-five local returned soldiers would also build houses on the government's housing scheme.

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**FRENCHMAN MAY PROVE MODERN BLUEBEARD**

Paris, April 15.—The disappearance of a number of women from a suburb of Paris has led to the arrest of Henri Laudru, who the Paris detectives assert, may be able to solve the mystery of their continued absence from home.

**ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP AN AMMUNITION DEPOT**

Peking, Sunday, April 13.—An attempt was made today to blow up an ammunition depot two miles from Harbin. Conflicting rumors are in circulation as to the attempt. One of these rumors is that the attack was made by local tribesmen, but the general belief is that Bolsheviks were responsible for it.

**PUNISH GERMANS FOR CRIMES AGAINST WOMEN**

Paris, April 15.—Premier Clemenceau today received from Mrs. Charles E. Farnham of New York, the representative of the committee for the protection of women under international law, a resolution signed by 5,000,000 American women relating to crimes against women committed by the Germans and their allies during the war. The resolution denounces the German attacks on humanity through woman and as "infamous and sinister."

**Because of Rains in Essex Only Tops of Fences Are Visible**

Special to The Toronto World. Windsor, Ont., April 15.—For thirty hours rain has fallen steadily and heavily over this section of the county, and at a 12-hour tonight there is no indication that the worst is over. Low-lying lands in the vicinity of Essex are flooded as much as two feet in places, and passengers in indomitable interurban cars report only the tops of fences are visible along the line where the road is low. Much damage is feared to have resulted.

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**WOMEN CREATE SCENE IN BRITISH COMMONS**

London, April 15.—There was an unusual scene in the house of commons tonight. During a discussion of a labor motion on pensions two women in the strangers' gallery began shouting: "You are murderers. You have not settled the last war. You are leading the people and workers to another war."

**WOMEN CREATE SCENE IN BRITISH COMMONS**

They were immediately hustled out by attendants. Then a third woman, attired in a long white cloak, in the same gallery slowly arose and exclaimed: "We want the soviet."

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This woman fell quietly on the request of the attendants.