

WRANGEL IS SMASHED BY THE SOVIETS

Anti-Red Leader's Troops Flee in Utter Confusion from Herd of Bolsheviks

FAMOUS GENERALS COMMIT SUICIDE

Whole of the Crimea Will Probably Have to be Evacuated by Gen. Wrangel.

Wars, Nov. 14.—General Wrangel has gone aboard one of the French warships in Sebastopol but the vessel is still remaining in port. The evacuation is continuing but there is inadequate shipping for the number of persons seeking to flee.

Constantinople, Nov. 14.—The resistance of General Wrangel's army in the Crimea has been broken and his troops are fleeing in utter confusion, after fighting heroically on the lines about Perekop. Headquarters here of General Wrangel confirm reports that his "White" army cannot hold the Crimea.

The Allied authorities here are requisitioning all available buildings along the Bosphorus and the shelters and barracks on Princes Islands in the Sea of Marmora to house refugees expected to arrive from the Crimea.

Saving the Remnants

Premier Krivoschin, of General Wrangel's government, arrived here yesterday to arrange for the transport of women, children and wounded from the Crimea. He said the possibility of a general evacuation of the Crimea could not be accounted and that everything was being done to save the remnants of General Wrangel's army.

Evacuation will be extremely difficult, Premier Krivoschin declared, "but we have opened four parlors to establish conditions regarding evacuation." The "White" army is extremely grave, M. Krivoschin said.

Losses Are Enormous

General Wrangel's forces are inferior in number to the Bolsheviks, and his losses have been enormous. Premier Krivoschin stated that General Wrangel's troops are exhausted, having repulsed twenty-two attacks in the past few days. The Bolsheviks' artillery has been terribly destructive, he said.

The Bolsheviks, according to Premier Krivoschin, take no heed of losses three or four columns attacking en masse often being annihilated, but fresh troops constantly are brought up. Nearly all General Wrangel's division and regimental commanders have been killed or wounded, the premier said.

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FARMERS RULE IF KING PULLS MEIGHEN DOWN

Two Parties United in Plan to Smash the Meighen Gov't Says Hon. Mr. Ballantyne.

Montreal, Nov. 14.—Speaking on Saturday night here at the monthly meeting of the Liberal-Conservative, Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, minister of marine and fisheries, outlined the policy of the United Farmer party under the leadership of the Hon. T. A. Crerar and also those of the Liberal party under the leadership of the Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, showing that both were united in the declared purpose of overthrowing the present government.

He pointed out that if that were done, the result could not fail to be the placing of the government in the hands of the Farmer Party with the backing of a Liberal minority, since the party of Mr. King had no hope of succeeding alone. This again must necessarily, he said, result in a policy of practical free trade and an important increase in the amount of preference.

Moderate Protection Only

Mr. Ballantyne then proceeded to associate the policy of the National Liberal and Conservative Party which he said was that of moderate protection. "Our policy is to give just sufficient protection to keep all the industries that are in this country here, and to induce foreign capital to come to this country and establish their manufacturing plants here to keep our Canadian people employed in our own factories and workshops and thereby help to develop our country to the best advantage."

Making special allusion to the Province of Quebec, Mr. Ballantyne said that in view of the fact that the remnants of the Liberal Party cannot reach power without an alignment with the free trade group and that the people of Quebec are a practical people with no sympathy for any free trade or radical views, he fully believed that "we will carry twenty five seats or more in the province of Quebec."

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Fifteen Black Fox Pups, Pick Of Ranch, Stolen

Animals Carried off from Prince Edward Island Valued at \$10,000.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Nov. 13.—One of the biggest robberies in the history of the industry occurred near Montague, where the ranch of the Imperial Silver Black Fox Company was broken into and fifteen animals stolen. There were seven breeding females and eight pups, the pick of the ranch and valued at ten thousand dollars. No arrests have been made.

WIRELESS SAYS WILDAR WRECKED BUT CREW ALIVE

Captain Calls for Help Part of Crew Left on Big Wreck.

TERRIFIC STORM SWEEPS THE LAKES

Unidentified Ship Was Drifting Towards Pancake Shoal When Last Seen.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Nov. 14.—The Becker line steamer Francis J. Wildar is believed wrecked on Pancake Shoals, ten miles northeast of Whitefish Bay, and Captain Arthur Forbes, of Ashabula, Ohio, in command of the vessel, has been taken aboard the steamer Livingstone, according to a wireless from Captain Forbes to the Canadian Soo wireless station late tonight. Captain Forbes asked that an attempt be made to take off the remainder of his crew from the Wildar.

The Wildar is a complete wreck, according to Captain Forbes' message.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Nov. 14.—The Becker line steamer Francis J. Wildar, of 7,800 tons, more than 70 hours overdue at this port and carrying a crew of thirty-three, was unreported tonight. Opinion in marine circles here is divided as to whether the big steel freighter has gone to the bottom or is lying perhaps disabled in some sheltered nook along the rocky Canadian shore.

Captain William Mesier, of the steamer John Erickson, which arrived here Saturday night after battling her way through a severe storm, reported that he saw a vessel believed to be the Wildar drifting toward Pancake shoals before the gale. At the height of the storm the vessel's lights disappeared.

Where is Missing Ship?

The unidentified steamer, according to Captain Mesier, passed his vessel, as he was taking shelter near the treacherous shoals. His ship lay in shelter for hours, after which he saw no further signs of the other vessel, Captain Mesier added. He believed it would have been impossible for a helpless steamer to weather the storm. His own vessel, he said, was turned about completely several times and once was believed to be at the mercy of the gale, which, he said, was one of the most furious he had ever experienced on Lake Superior. The Wildar left Duluth on Thursday with a cargo of ore.

Tugs Are Searching.

The tug Iowa of the Great Lakes Towing and Wrecking Company, left here this afternoon for Pancake Shoals. A boat with Becker line markings and believed to have been the Wildar, was sighted yesterday, blown far off the course toward Pancake Shoals, about ten miles northeast of Whitefish Bay. Word was received here today that a large fleet of vessels has been lying in shelter at Botongis, in the lee of Keweenaw Point, but these reports did not include the Wildar, among the fleet. Soviet vessels have looted down since Saturday midnight, but none of them have sighted the missing craft. The majority of them carried Pancake Shoals in darkness, but over.

Sighted Some Wreckage.

The steamer F. B. Squire received a wireless message late last night from the steamer Stadscom, that looked up Saturday, asking if she had sighted wreckage on Pancake Shoals. Shipper men here believe the Stadscom sighted what appeared to be wreckage but was not certain.

No report from the tug Iowa can be obtained before noon tomorrow, it was said here tonight.

AUTO BANDIT GOT CASH AT VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Nov. 13.—In broad daylight an automobile bandit wrested a check constituting \$1500 cash and check totalling \$20,000 from S. M. Halsey, the Imperial Oil Company accountant on Hastings Street and escaped in a stolen car.

SIX TOTS DIE IN RUSH WHEN "FIRE" CRIED

Twelve Other Children Seriously Injured in Terrible Panic in New York Movie.

SMOKE FROM PAPER CHUTE STARTED FEAR

Banana Seller Saved Fifteen Children Before He Collapsed from Dense Smoke.

New York, Nov. 14.—A paper-cupped furnace fire, which caused smoke to fill the Catharine Theatre, a motion picture house in the East Side Italian quarter, raised a cry of "fire" late today, and in the ensuing panic, six little tots between the ages of 2 and 10 years were trampled to death. Twelve others were seriously injured.

The little theatre was crowded to capacity. The crowd filled the 300 seats, for the hero was an Italian lad in humble surroundings, who rose to fame. The youngsters were absorbed in the progress of the scenario, Pietro who was protecting his father from the fire when smoke began to sweep through the cracks of the theatre floor. "My God, it's a fire."

Woman Started Panic

This shout came from an elderly woman, who gathered a little one under her arm and ran for the nearest exit. Immediately loud wails arose, children began to cry. They jumped from their seats, jammed the aisles and fought for passage. The lights flickered out. Youthful cries attracted many residents of the Italian neighborhood.

Banana Vendor Here

Camillo Brullo, who sells bananas from a push cart on the Bowery, rushed to the scene. He darted into the theatre, attempted to shout down the cries. Failing, he saved those he could. Camillo carried more than fifteen little tots to safety, then collapsed, overcome by smoke. Some one sounded a fire-alarm. Many, then, were carried from the theatre, overcome by smoke. They were soon revived. Fromen carried the dead to nearby drug stores.

The injured were sent to hospitals. Fromen and women, men, learning of the disaster, crowded into the little theatre at this time guarded by a cordon of police, and sought news of their children, who had attended the show.

Somebody Arrested

A police station nearby also was crowded with those seeking information of loved ones. The bodies of the victims soon were identified, but the excitement attending panic kept children from returning to their homes, and many women fought for admittance to the theatre, believing their missing children might still be there.

Bernard Weinberg and Max Schwartz, proprietors of the theatre, were taken to the police station and later questioned by the District Attorney. They said they purchased the theatre last week and had been operating it since Saturday.

Weinberg and Schwartz, with A. Tolson, who had made a complaint in the furnace, later were arrested on a charge of "misdemeanor, resulting in manslaughter by admitting children to a theatre unaccompanied by parents or guardians."

EIGHT THOUSAND VETERANS JOBLESS IN TORONTO NOW

Ontario Government Asked to Establish Employment Bureau to Aid Men.

Toronto, Nov. 14.—Eight thousand returned soldiers in Toronto are out of work, according to an estimate made on Saturday by V. Conroy, district secretary of the Great War Veterans' Association, a large proportion of the unemployed men being married with families. Mr. Conroy said there was a considerable amount of distress already and the outlook for the winter was dark. The Ontario Department of Labor has been requested to establish an employment bureau specially for returned soldiers and manned by returned men.

ROYAL ACADIA TO CUT SUGAR PRICES TO MEET DOMINION

Montreal, Nov. 14.—The sugar war is on again in full force and a large wholesale firm will tomorrow sell Royal Acadia pure cane granulated sugar at 12 cents net following the reduction by the Dominion Sugar Company on Friday to 11.80 cents net to wholesale.

The Big Food retailers, the R. Lawrence Acadia, Canada and Atlantic Sugar refineries are quoting thirteen cents less per cent. since Saturday.

Wholesale firms are selling at from 14 to 16 cents a pound, but may again cut their prices on Monday.

AIRSHIP PLANT CLOSES

Paris, Nov. 14.—The Belloni airplane works have been closed down indefinitely, throwing 30,000 persons out of work.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA

George Geddes and Robert Gamble, C. N. R. employees, were instantly killed near Moncton, N. B., yesterday while waiting on the tracks.

UNITED STATES

The lake freighter Francis J. Wildar, 7,800 tons, is missing, with a crew of 33 men. It is feared she sank in the gale in Lake Superior.

Six children were trampled to death and a dozen more seriously injured when a false alarm of "fire" was raised in a New York movie picture theatre last night. Ralph Hanson, a 14-year-old boy, who is charged with the theft of \$1,000 in bonds, spent part of the summer in St. John, N. B.

THE BRITISH ISLES

Fifty Nationalist soldiers are wanted by British to join the Sinn Fein army at once.

EUROPE

General Wrangel's army in the Crimea has been broken and thrown into dire rout by the Russian Soviets. Forty thousand are reported captured and Wrangel is on board a French warship at Sebastopol.

The British have declared a blockade of the Russian Black Sea.

ST. PIERRE TO MAKE DEFENCE AT TRIAL ONLY

Council for Prisoner at Edmundston Refuse to Reveal "Hand" at Preliminary

CROWN'S CASE IS ALL CIRCUMSTANTIAL

Trial is Expected to Take Place at Edmundston Early Next March.

Special to The Standard—Edmundston, N. B., Nov. 14.—With the excitement which attended the hearing of William St. Pierre having subsided, the prisoner having been sent for trial at the circuit court, convening here in March, those connected with the case are beginning to give their views as to the final outcome.

It is the opinion of many here that the chain of circumstances already presented, which has linked the accused up with the murder of Miss Stevens, is sufficient to convince a jury of his guilt. Detective Robert Crawford, however, says there is more evidence in his possession which has not yet been revealed. When it is made known before a jury it will move any doubt that may be in the public mind as to the guilt of St. Pierre.

Gave For the Defence

The attorneys for the accused are confident of an acquittal verdict when the trial comes. They are prepared to show every move of their client from 8:30 p.m. on the night of October 11th, when Miss Stevens was alive and well up to the time of finding her dead body. "We did not show our hand at the preliminary hearing," said one of them, "because we prefer to have our case go before a jury. Our client's interests are better served by that method."

Much of the evidence put in against St. Pierre was built up for the occasion and this will be proven at trial day. There can be no fault found with the finding of the magistrate presiding. He acted fairly and, in view of the evidence given, has no rebuttal on our part, his decision could not be otherwise. When the defence is heard there can be only one verdict, and that one of not guilty."

FIREMAN BURNED WHEN OCEAN SHIP SWEEP BY FLAMES

"Balena" Valued at \$175,000, is Destroyed by Fire at Vancouver.

Vancouver, Nov. 14.—The steamer Balena, owned and operated by the Terminal Navigation Company, was burned and badly damaged at the wharf of the Union Steamship Company Saturday. Lorne Smith, one of the firemen employed on the vessel, lost his life when his escape from the burning steamer was cut off by flames. The fire is believed to have been caused by the ignition of the fuel oil.

The damage done by the flames is estimated at \$175,000.

WAR VETERAN IS RHODES SCHOLAR FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

Sebastian Young, Now Student at Dalhousie, is Awarded Academic Honor.

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 13.—The committee of selection, headed by His Excellency Sir Charles Harris, the governor, has awarded the Rhodes Scholarship for next year.

Mr. Young went overseas with the Newfoundland regiment and was wounded in the fighting in France. He afterwards taught school, and then studied at the Queen's College in this city, leading the athletic country in the examinations of his own particular grade.

He is now at Dalhousie University, Halifax, studying medicine.

WIRE FLASHES

Telegraphic News Condensed from Last Minute Messages for Quick Reading.

Venezoloe Wins Fight—Athens, Nov. 4.—Premier Venezoloe announces that his party has obtained a majority in the elections throughout Greece.

Expected to Live—Cork, Nov. 14.—"Not out of danger, but there is no reason why we should not pull them through," said jail physicians in a report on the condition of the nine hunger strikers in Cork jail, who on Friday broke their fast of ninety-four days.

Scandinavian Sails—Quebec, Nov. 14.—The C. P. O. S. liner Scandinavia cleared here this afternoon for Southampton and Antwerp. The vessel carried 529 passengers.

The C. P. O. S. Granmania with 200 cabin and 1,025 third-class passengers docked here early this morning.

Robbed Mail Sacks—Omaha, Neb., Nov. 14.—Thieves last night robbed a Burlington registered mail car within the city limits of Council Bluffs, Ia. Ten sacks of registered mail were thrown from the car. One sack was recovered intact.

POISON GAS HELPS REDS AT PEREKOP

Russians Claim Capture of 40,000 of Wrangel's Force by Poison Gas Use.

ADMIT THEY LOST 30,000 IN BATTLES

British Fleet Declares Blockade of the Russian Black Sea Coast.

Constantinople, Nov. 13.—The fighting at Perekop was of the most desperate character. The Bolsheviks, according to latest advice, admit they had 20,000 men killed. They claim to have taken 40,000 prisoners. They owe their success largely to the use of poison gas.

It is stated that at the request of the French representative attached to Wrangel's headquarters, the Bolsheviks have granted eight days for evacuation of Crimea.

British Fleet Out

London, Nov. 14.—A blockade of the Russian Black Sea coast has been declared, according to the Constantinople correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company. British destroyers have begun patrolling the sea to prevent the Bolsheviks from communicating with the Turkish coast.

Foreigner in Command

Constantinople, Nov. 14.—The Reds broke through the defense of Wrangel on the Isthmus of Perekop, according to the best report obtainable here by concentrating twenty divisions against three divisions of the white army. Wrangel's men, although greatly outnumbered, withstood twenty-two assaults before Perekop, but finally were broken. The commanders of most of Wrangel's units were killed and the losses in men also were very large.

The success of the Bolsheviks is attributed largely to the excellence of his high command, which is said to be directed by a foreigner.

The evacuation of the Crimea, which began Thursday, is continuing under great difficulties. It is a problem how the fugitives can be carried for Constantinople, this city, already is over-populated.

AGED WOMAN IS VICTIM OF FIRE

Terrific Gales Sweep Newfoundland and Several Shipwrecks Are Reported.

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 14.—Fire of an unknown cause which broke out in an early hour this morning, totally destroyed a boarding house on Lower Street, and caused the death of an aged woman, Mrs. Catherine Callaghan, and the injury of half a dozen others, two so seriously that their recovery is not expected.

A terrific gale of westerly winds has been raging in Northern Newfoundland for the last couple of days, and telegraphic reports state that several ships have been found, fortunately without the loss of life.

BISHOP CONDEMNS PROHIBITION LAWS OF ONTARIO PROVINCE

Toronto, Nov. 14.—Just a day or two before the fatal shooting of Beverly Trumble, hotel keeper, of Sandwich, Ont., by Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin, special Temperance Act enforcement officer in self defence, as found by the coroner's jury—a union clergyman of the United Methodist Church, roundly condemned the law which Spracklin and his officers were seeking to enforce.

"I feel that it is regrettable," said the Bishop, "that a law should ever have been placed upon the statute books of this province which impels a large section of the people to violate its provisions without feeling a sense of wrongdoing."

CONVICTION FOR FALSE INCOME TAX RETURN QUASHED AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, Nov. 14.—Judge Gann rendered a decision in county court Saturday in the appeal brought by Dr. Gordon Booth against a conviction registered against him last October in police court, whereby he was found guilty of having made false income tax returns to the Dominion Income Tax Department, for the years 1917, 1918 and 1919, and was condemned to pay \$5,000.

Judge Gann quashed the conviction on the ground that no justice of the peace or magistrate has jurisdiction to try cases of this nature.

The decision he doubt will have a far reaching effect in future prosecutions.

Airships For Use In Hunting Seals Reach Newfoundland

Imperial Gov't's Present to Search Seas for Seals Saving Time of Vessels.

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 13.—There have been landed at St. John's, Nfld., from the steamer Alcedo, two airships procured to Newfoundland by the Imperial Government. It is understood that the government of Newfoundland and the coast of the country will use these airships co-operatively in connection with the seal industry.

Hitherto sealing captains have had to take big chances in the hunt for seals, having to cover thousands of acres of ice-covered sea before reaching their quarry with a consequent loss of much time and much money.

Now it is proposed to use these airships in locating the seal herd, and the information so obtained will be of the utmost value to the trade of the country. It is estimated that the cost of so operating the airships will be about sixty thousand, and this expense will be borne by the owners of the sealing steamers and the government jointly.

ALLEGED BOND THIEF VISITED ST. JOHN CITY

Sixteen Year Old Messenger Boy, Wanted in New York, Caught in Montreal.

CLAIM HE SPENT DAYS IN ST. JOHN

Mother Died of Grief After Lad is Said to Have Stolen the Securities.

New York, Nov. 14.—When Ralph Saxon, 16-year-old messenger boy, arrived with his father at the Grand Central station Saturday from Montreal, he was met by two detectives with a warrant for his arrest on a charge of stealing \$11,000 in Liberty bonds from the exporting firm that employed him.

His mother was not there to greet him. She grieved constantly after his disappearance last July, three weeks later, according to the police was found dead in a gas filled room at her home.

A trip through New England and Eastern Canada with stops at Pater-son, N. J.; Albany, N. Y.; Boston, York, Digby, St. John, N. B.; Manchester, N. H., and Montreal, was financed, the police said, by the sale of a bond now and then.

Caught in Montreal

It was in Montreal that young Saxon was taken into custody on a charge of violating the customs laws in bringing an automobile into the country from Manchester, N. H., without paying duty. That was after he had disposed of the last of the bonds. Learning of his son's presence in Montreal, Mrs. Saxon, a cotton broker, obtained his release and accompanied him to New York to face the indictment returned against him in his absence. The boy was held today in \$5,000 bail for trial on a charge of grand larceny.

After hearing the evidence this afternoon, the coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death with no blame attached to the train. The jury recommended that the C. N. R. management take more stringent steps to prevent people from walking on the tracks.

Gamble was 26 years old and Geddes about 20. Gamble had a wife and four children. Geddes was unmarried. They were employed in the C. N. R. shops here, and both had only within the last two months sold good farms in Dandis, Kent county, to come to Moncton to work for the railway.

MEIGHEN'S FACTS SOON SILENCED ALL OBJECTORS

Another 3,000 Electors Hear Premier and Hon. Mr. Calder at Regina Meeting.

Regina, Sask., Nov. 14.—Hon. Arthur Meighen and Hon. J. A. Calder completed their political tour of Saskatchewan by a meeting held in the Regina Stadium on Saturday night, which was attended by an estimated crowd of more than three thousand people. The speakers proceeded, Mr. Meighen spoke for an hour and fifty minutes, dealing principally with the tariff. The Government, he said, intended to follow the protection principle, as had all Canadian governments for 42 years.

Hon. Mr. Calder.

Mrs. Calder spoke at less length and outlined the record of the administration in the matter of soldiers' exchange. He claimed that within a short time under the machinery that had been created the country would be saved millions of dollars annually by the abolition of the patronage system of appointments. Someone interrupted to say that was how the speaker got his job. Mr. Calder retorted that the one who interrupted was wrong; he had his job by the votes of the people and he had little doubt that if he wanted to continue, their verdict would be the same. There were cheers for the reply.

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TWO KILLED ON RAILWAY AT MONCTON

Cep. Geddes and Robert Gamble Hurled to Death by the Ocean Limited.

AVOID ONE TRAIN BUT FORGOT EXPRESS

Seven Year Old Son of Gamble Only Witness of the Double Tragedy.

Moncton, N. B., Nov. 14.—The danger of walking on the railway track was once more shockingly impressed upon the public mind this afternoon, when two