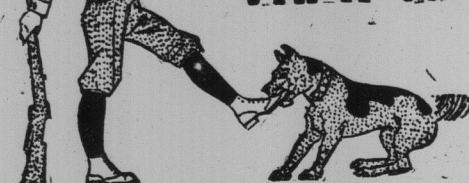


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Indications Point To New And Powerful Offensive

There is every indication that a new and powerful offensive by both British and French forces is about to be launched on the western front. London reports successful raiding at several points yesterday along with attacks by airmen while Berlin tells of gunfire of drumfire intensity in Flanders. The French report also tells of violent artillery battles on the Aisne.

General Cadorna has met Austrian counter-attacks successfully and is pressing on towards his goal.

The Turks are showing some activity in Palestine against the British forces there.

ANOTHER YEAR OF FIERCE FIGHTING

New York, Sept. 17.—A special despatch to the Evening Sun from Washington today says:

"Publication of Germany's reply to the Pope is awaited in Washington with only mild interest. From seemingly inspired press comments in Germany and Austria that have preceded, officials seem confident that it will not advance the cause of peace. As far as can be learned from these comments, it makes no attempt to discuss peace terms, though professing to fall in with the general views of the Vatican concerning the need for a lasting peace."

The impression grows stronger daily that there must be another year of war and the belief is held in many quarters that next year's fighting will surpass in fury anything that has yet occurred in the world conflict.

Both sides are preparing for this supreme test of strength with every ounce of reserve energy their war industries possess. Papers from behind the German lines tell of the piling up of munitions faster than the guns at the front can use it.

Under federal control munition workers are being prodded to their utmost with promises of big victories to come next spring. Actually, however, it is thought here that these immense stores of ammunition are being piled up, not so much for the launching of new offensives by Germany as to meet what German military experts look forward to as the strongest attacks which her enemies have yet put forth.

It is in realization of what the next year promises in a military way that the Allies are steadily expanding the scope of their preparations.

Conscription Of Wealth Is Advocated

Ottawa, Sept. 18.—The morning and afternoon sessions of the thirty-third annual convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of the Dominion of Canada, which opened here yesterday, were devoted principally to the cleaning up of some routine business and the formal session of the 284 delegates. In the welcome of the morning there was an interchange of courtesies and addresses by Sir Robert Borden, President J. C. Watters, Local President John Cameron and other officials. The excitement at the morning session was furnished by the delegate from British Columbia, who somewhat strenuously objected to the Hon. W. T. Crothers, minister of labor, addressing the convention on the ground that it would be a "waste of time," and by President Watters, who received a great ovation and who seized the opportunity of reminding the press representatives that this oration was from the men who "were to have chopped my head off."

It is likely that in the neighborhood of seventy-five or eighty resolutions will be presented at the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress convention. A number of the resolutions will deal with the various war problems as affecting the organized labor question.

One of the most important resolutions, as far as the Dominion of Canada is concerned, is that proposed by the Trans-Canada, Manitoba, Trades and Labor Council, regarding conscription. The argument on the resolution promises to be long and lively and the final decision will be the attitude of organized labor of Canada on this most important issue.

There have been many conflicting opinions expressed by the delegates indi-

SENSATIONAL REPORT HEARD IN WASHINGTON

Russia To Quit War and Sell Supplies To Germans?

Declared "Not Unlikely"

Kerensky Government Said To Be in Throes of Struggle With Radicals Who Are For Peace or Pro-German

New York, Sept. 18.—A despatch to the Chicago Tribune from its Washington correspondent, reproduced this morning in the New York Tribune says: While officials were sounding today the praises of Kerensky for promoting a republican form of government at Petrograd, there reached Washington the most disheartening intelligence since the United States became a belligerent.

Russia, according to an official report, is not unlikely to conclude a separate peace with Germany and quit the war, selling to Germany all military supplies as well as foodstuffs and raw materials. The Petrograd government, though it has triumphed over the Korniloff insurrection, is now in the throes of an even mightier struggle, the outcome of which will be of vital consequence, not only to republican Russia but to the United States and the allies.

The Maximalists have triumphed over the constitutional Democrats and the conservative element of the council of workmen's and soldiers' deputies in several tests of power in the last few days, and now threaten to dominate the entire government. These triumphant radicals are either pacifistic or pro-German and have long been advocating a separate peace with Germany.

Rotary Club Entertained No. 9 Battery

There was a jovial gathering of men in khaki and men from civil life in Bond's restaurant last evening, when the entire No. 9 Siege battery, including both officers and men, were the guests of the Rotary Club of St. John. It was a gathering seldom seen in this city, a cosmopolitan one so to speak, when men of rank and file sat side by side with commissioned officers and prominent members of the Rotary Club mingled with khaki clad individuals.

It was shortly after dark when the officers and men of No. 9 Siege battery fell in along the south side of King square and marched from there into Bond's restaurant, where they were met and greeted by His Worship Mayor Hayes on behalf of the Rotary Club. The mayor extended a hearty welcome in a few remarks to No. 9, after which the men, officers and members of the Rotary Club sat down to an inviting repast.

President Gunter, of the Rotary Club, was in the chair. Major Wetmore, O. C. of the battery occupied the seat of honor.

After all had done justice to a tempting repast, the chairman of the evening, thanking the Rotary Club on behalf of the battery, he paid a glowing tribute to the men under his command. The battery was composed of a particularly fine class of men. This meant both officers, N. C. O.'s and gunners. He expressed the hope that the battery would proceed overseas as a unit and thence to France. There were only a few recruits needed now to bring the battery to full strength and these, he said, he expected to have within a comparatively short time.

Dr. Francis Walker, an officer of the unit, was called upon and entertained those present with an original and humorous monologue. Dr. Walker was warmly commended for his clever composition and original execution of the piece. He also favored the gathering with a vocal solo.

Pte. Cockburn gave a splendid address on behalf of the gunners of the battery. His remarks were well received and well delivered.

Rev. Mr. Scott, chaplain of the battery, also spoke briefly. He also touched on the fine class of men in this battery and said they were hard to beat.

For the Rotarians, Messrs. E. A. Schofield, R. E. Armstrong, T. H. Somerville and A. M. Belding were called upon unexpectedly by the chairman to say a few words. All concurred in the opinion that No. 9 was a splendid battery and would bring honor and glory to the province which they represented. Like other batteries and units from New Brunswick, the opinion was expressed by the speakers that No. 9 would distinguish itself.

Mr. Somerville was introduced as the man-with-a-son-in-the-battery. He paid a high compliment to the men of the siege battery, and said that he had personally come in contact with many of them and they constituted what men in khaki should be, the soldier gentleman.

A feature of the evening was a series of recitations by the new Edition, by courtesy of W. H. Thorne & Company, Limited.

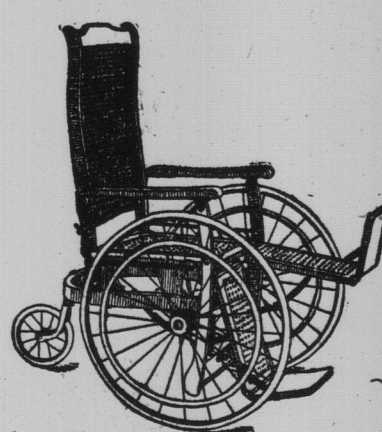
INVESTIGATING NEW STRIKE AT FERNIE

Ottawa, Sept. 18.—Hon. T. W. Crothers, minister of labor, is making inquiry into the causes of a new strike which has developed in some of the coal mines in the Fernie district. As understood by the minister the strike is due to the imposition of the new provincial poll tax and deduction from the pay of the miners for the patriotic fund, amounting to wages for one shift.

The death of Mrs. James Bain of Yarmouth occurred on Monday morning. She was fifty-four years old.

Millinery Opening Continued

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NEWEST IN WOMEN'S HATS

Shapes and Trimmings That Are Now In Vogue in Millinery

(New York Times.) Reports from the widest millinery circles indicate that there is still a pronounced tendency toward soft effects in women's hats. Some brim or crown, or both, for full. Some stiff brims have yet soft crowns. There is also strong tendency, according to the bulletin of the Millinery Association of America, toward the use of kolinsky fur for edges, around the bases or tops of crowns, or for use as full crowns. The leading colors are black, navy, purple, brown, taupe, beige, and Bordeaux. Velvet hats in American Beauty red and poppy red are worn in this city to some extent. Only a fair business is reported on these colors, however. Among the popular shapes are large meersown and sailor effects in black and brown plush, with soft, pleated crowns.

The bulletin also gives in detail the purchases made, for September selling by one of the best-known millinery buyers in the city. They include velvet (piece goods) and panne velvet in purple, dark brown, dark gray, American

Beauty red and French blue. Hatters' plush also has been bought in black and white, all of these goods being for workroom use. Liberal purchases also have been made of ornaments, appliques and beaded effects, spangles and wood decorations. Wool in high colors was bought from the store's own art department for use in the workroom in making fancy applique work for hats.

The September purchases also included plush, mostly in flat effects in high shades, old rose, pink, jack rose, yellow, and orchid—the shades that will go well with dark hats. Feather and ribbon, pheasant and chicken were ordered in black, blue, brown, and purple. Ostrich for high-grade dress hats was bought in the form of military pompons, tiny French heads, clusters of tips both in medium and small bunches—and also in the form of single, long, two-piece plumes, both curled and flat.

BISHAM'S APPEAL FOR AMBULANCES FOR USE IN ITALY

New York, Sept. 17.—David Bisham, the American baritone, whose son is now serving in the British army and whose daughter is the wife of an Italian officer, makes the following appeal on behalf of the "American Ambulance in Italy":

The poets of America have pledged themselves to raise a large amount of money for ambulances urgently needed for the Italian army.

In the name of the singers of America an earnest appeal is hereby made to all vocalists, native or foreign, as well as to instrumentalists and music lovers in general, to contribute at the earliest possible moment at least one million dollars to a similar fund to aid the wounded of the land of song, to whose art and artists our country owes an everlasting debt of gratitude.

Contributions of any amount will be thankfully received and acknowledged. Two thousand dollars cabled to Milan will place a motor ambulance at the front at once. Checks to the order of the "American Singers' Ambulance in Italy" may be sent either to me or to John M. Fulton, treasurer, at The Musicians' Club, 62 West 45th street, New York.

Trusting that you will assist this worthy cause by according it the publicity it deserves, I remain, Yours faithfully,

DAVID BISHAM.

SECRETARY LANSING'S TWO SISTERS ARE IN FRANCE

Leave for Front to Establish Stations for French Soldiers

Paris, Sept. 18.—Miss Katherine T. Lansing and Miss Emma S. Lansing, sisters of the American Secretary of State, who have arrived at Bordeaux with a party of American Red Cross workers, left for the front, where they intend to establish aid stations for French soldiers.

AN INVITATION TO WOMEN

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At a meeting of the Jordan Memorial Sanitarium Commission yesterday at River Glade, among those present were Lieutenant Governor Ganong, Hon. J. A. Murray, Hon. C. J. Osman, Hon. C. W. Robinson and Dr. A. F. McAvaney of St. John. The question of caring for returned soldiers was discussed but plans are not yet finished.



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