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Cut off Germany if She Refuses to Sign

Complete Isolation Being Considered in Paris—Treaty to be Placed Before Huns on Wednesday

Paris, May 6.—The complete economic isolation of Germany is being considered by the council of foreign ministers of the peace conference as a measure to be adopted in the event that Germany refuses to sign the peace treaty.

Paris, May 6.—(By the Associated Press)—It was officially announced last night that the preliminaries of the peace treaty will be communicated to the Allied delegates this afternoon and to the German plenipotentiaries on Wednesday afternoon.

HOW THE STAGE WILL BE SET. Versailles, May 5.—(By the Associated Press)—When the German delegates enter the dining room of the Hotel Triannon on Wednesday afternoon to receive the text of the treaty of peace they will find the representatives of the powers arrayed against Germany awaiting them at one of the great tables.

On M. Clemenceau's left will be Premier Lloyd George and the British representatives; on his right President Wilson and the other American delegates. Flanking the Americans will come the French delegation, with Marshal Foch in the centre.

Only six of the principal German delegates, forty minor ones, will be admitted, according to present arrangements. Forty more will be present, but they will be assigned to places immediately behind the Germans.

Five British correspondents will attend the session on Wednesday, France, Italy, the United States, Japan and Germany will each have the same number. The remainder of the press has been assigned to places immediately behind the Germans.

Paris, May 5.—(By the Associated Press)—Orders have been issued to specialists in Austro-Hungarian subjects to rush their reports so that the treaty with Austria can be considered during the fifteen days that the Germans will have to discuss the terms of peace.

MAY SEE SOME BIG ENGLISH SHOWS HERE

Possibility of Troops Landing at Halifax and Playing En Route to States

It would appear that St. John and Halifax are in line for some big transatlantic musical and dramatic attractions if the plans of Mr. Gest of the New York theatrical firm of Comstock and Gest turn out as he thinks they may. Mr. Gest arrived at Halifax a few days ago one of the big liners. During the course of transportation he met Mr. Gest, a Canadian, hustling passenger agent of the Grand Trunk system, that he had contracted for several notable English productions while in London, and if the Halifax terminus continued to be utilized it was within the range of possibility that the big shows would receive their premiere on this coast of the Atlantic in the sister city instead of New York. St. John would then come in for the second engagement of these English shows, with possibly Banquet en route to the big American centre.

From the standpoint of entertainments this would be a very notable departure. The only other attractions from overseas that have played eastern Canada before upper Canada or the United States were the Sheffield Choir, and the Bandmann Opera Company.

F. Stuart-Whyte, proprietor of the Clarendon show, will disband his big company in this city on Friday, the members dispersing to upper Canada, western Canada and New York, but most of them, including the principal and executive, will book passage to London.

BYE-LAW MATTERS. The case of Nelson Geldart, who was charged with violating the rules of the C. N. R., by driving under the gates at the railway crossing in Mill street when they were being closed, was resumed in the police court this morning and was postponed until Friday. J. H. A. L. Fairweather appeared for the defence.

Leonard Dryden, Frank Donnelly, whose car, it was said, was driven by J. D. McCafferty, and J. E. Cowan were in court this morning charged with operating their cars without having proper lights burning. The cases were dismissed as satisfactory explanations were made.

Walter Thompson was charged with allowing his horse to stand at the corner of Main street and Paradise Row from 6.15 p. m. till 8 p. m. The case was postponed until Friday.

RUTHENIANS IN WEST DEMAND INQUIRY. Winnipeg, May 6.—At a meeting of 200 Ruthenians of the Springfield district it was unanimously decided to request that a royal commission investigate charges that Ruthenians were fomenting revolution.

Russian Situation Developing Change

Allied Experts See It Coming

Finland Military Movement Now Well Defined—Effort of United Russia to Block It—Lenine Evidently Sees Possible Disaster Ahead

Paris, May 6.—(By the Associated Press)—Specialists on Russian subjects attached to various Allied delegations at the peace conference, expect decided changes in the Russian situation within the next few weeks.

The Finnish military movement, which has been threatening Petrograd and which has been threatened with mystery, is now well defined. General Udenitch and 4,000 Russians opening with him have the support of the Finnish government and troops and have recaptured large numbers of Russian peasants who have become tired of Bolshevik requisitions. General Udenitch has occupied Petro-Avodka, Olesna and Lestine Pole, east of Lake Ladoga, and thus controls the southern end of the Kola railway.

The escape of the Bolsheviks operating against Allied forces in the district are apparently preparing to launch a movement looking to their annexation to Finland. This would give Finland the Kola railway and a northern outlet to the Arctic.

The Russian committee working for a united Russia here is decidedly unfavorable to such a step and is trying to block it. Many persons believe the Entente powers are encouraging the Udenitch movement, which is threatening Petrograd, so seriously that the Bolsheviks are evacuating the city. If Udenitch should occupy Petrograd, the revivalling of the city by the Allies would be easy, and the apparent abandonment of the Nansen plan of revivalling Petrograd under neutral auspices is regarded as an indication that the Entente powers are ready soon to be forced to withdraw to Moscow.

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Lenine Reads the Signs. Disregarding the recommendation of Governor Zinovief of Petrograd, Niko-berik military situation seems extremely precarious.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Transfers of real estate have been recorded as follows: St. John County

John Chesworth to Thomas and Elizabeth Chesworth, property in Simonds. E. W. Mac to E. Reynolds, \$7,000, property corner German and Princess streets.

J. H. Parker to Jennie G. Brown, property in Lunenburg. Turnbull Real Estate Company to Mary, wife of D. W. O'Keefe, property in Clarence street.

J. D. Gregory to Walter Craigs, property in Sussex. J. A. Fowler to Isaac Gausse, property in Sussex.

J. W. McAfee to Berwick School, property in Stadhorn. Mary A. McCarron to John Marley et al, property in Sussex.

W. F. McCarron to P. A. Dunn, property in Kingston. Cecelia McCarron to John Marley et al, property in Sussex.

W. H. Sharp to E. A. Flewelling, property in Northon. Heirs of William Tait to Gordon Tait, property in Cardwell.

T. N. Vincent to R. S. Smith, property in Rothsay. Sarah C. Wright to T. A. Wright, property in Stadhorn.

A FINE VESSEL. J. Willard Smith's new schooner, the Onnetette, which was launched on Saturday and arrived here Saturday night is now berthed at North Wharf. She is an exceptionally fine looking vessel, painted white, three masted, tonnage about 800. She rides with her bow well up and the captain, R. R. Longmire, says that she is the easiest vessel to steer that he has ever sailed. Her cabins are very well finished in natural wood and are roomy so that she combines comfort with efficiency. The Onnetette will load deals here for Preston, Eng.

BURIED TODAY. The funeral of Mrs. Margaret A. MacMackin took place this afternoon from the residence of her son, S. W. MacMackin, Alexandria street. Service was conducted by Rev. H. A. Cody, and interment was made in Fernhill.

TO LIVE IN PICTURE. Sergeant and Mrs. J. C. Proffitt, who were married in Sussex on April 15 and have since been in St. John, left yesterday for Picton, N. S., where they will make their home. Mrs. Proffitt was Miss Ethel M. Hoyt. Mr. Proffitt was a sergeant in the 88th N. S. Highland Band. Many friends wish them every happiness.

WELL DONE. It was given out by Principal W. J. S. Myles at the High School yesterday that up to April 3 that building's scholars have saved more than \$1,000 in thrift stamps.

As Hiram Sees It

"I had a great time yesterday," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam. "Allan Schofield took me to that Rotary Club. He's a good fellow. Wants me to be here to that big time the first of June. They're all good fellows up to that Rotary Club. A man named Garter in another man named Brown was awful puffer about my health. Then there was a doctor and a dentist looked me over and told me I was as sound as a nut. They had a thing there that was wasn't 'Side' from a cart, that hasn't had its wheels greased since the war started. I hadn't seen such a jolly crowd since Ham Sucklers' frolic. Did I ever tell you about that frolic?"

"I don't recall it," said the reporter. "Well, Ham lived in the back street. He had a frolic in a gallon of old Jamaica rum. It was a long spell ago—for I was a young feller. Well, sir, the men chopped an' cleared up a piece of land, an' after supper we danced to chin music. Say, Mister, that was some dance. I bet you'd give two dollars an' a quarter to see it on the stage."

"I hope," said the reporter, "you are not insinuating that the Rotarians had a gallon."

"No, No!" broke in Hiram. "What I mean to say is that you kin hev just as much fun when you're plain sober as when you don't know whether you're a man or a monkey. Now that feller that spoke—thar, Captain Connor—he told about a chap that was makin' tracks for London because he couldn't get full whenever he wanted to in British Columbia. The captain talked good honest sense when he said that what we ought to do is to hev somethin' to take up the attention of a feller like that, an' convince him he don't hafta depend on an other drink to make life worth livin'."

"A feller could go through that war without takin' a drink, like some of 'em in our system of education. We could get along without it in peace time for the sake of the women an' children an' the young fellers that's growin' up. As for boozers, they're a lot of 'em, but they're like a boy's mine to be one of 'em critters. I wouldn't like anybody's wife to be one of 'em. There's somethin' wrong with our system of education. We're turnin' out too many crooks of one kind an' another. Some of 'em can't read, an' some kin read too ding much sense. We're too carryin' about an' young fellers. I had some young steers once an' I turned 'em loose in the back lands. I guess they didn't see a soul all summer. Well, sir, when I was in 'em late in the fall it took six of us to turn 'em up. I walk around the streets here an' I see the crowds, an' I wonder how many of them young fellers an' young fellers has anybody that cares a tinker's dam whether they're good or bad. I do—By Hen."

DEATH OF DANIEL COUGHLAN

Another well known figure in the business and household life of St. John was removed last evening in the death of Daniel Coughlan, aged eighty years, a man who up to some nineteen years ago conducted a clothing business in the Market Square. He had been ill but a few days and his advanced age failed to withstand the shock.

Mr. Coughlan, who was brought to this country from Ireland, where a member of nine, had lived in St. John all his long years and raised a family of worthy sons and daughters. The surviving sons are Walter P., of Metapedia, P. Q., M. J. of Montreal; Frederick at home, Daniel at home, Alfred of Boston; William and David (stepsons) of Boston and the daughters are Mrs. D. Lynch, of West St. John; Mrs. Michael McNeely, of West St. John and Miss Mary Ellen at home.

Holds Prohibition. Quebec, May 6.—The town council of St. Romuland, near Quebec city, last night refused to repeal the local prohibition and grant licenses for the sale of beer and wine.

Phelix and Pseudonand. Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—Pressure changes are occurring with great rapidity. The low area which was in the lower St. Lawrence Valley yesterday has passed to eastward of Newfoundland, while the western high area has moved to the St. Lawrence. The weather is fair throughout the domain.

Lower St. Lawrence, Gulf and North Shore.—Fine today; Wednesday, easterly winds, rain before night.

Maritime.—Fresh northwest winds, fine and cool today; Wednesday, easterly winds, fair.

New England.—Fair tonight with heavy frost; Wednesday cloudy, moderate northwest winds, shifting to easterly.

Father Hughes, Head of Paulist Order in United States, Dead. New York, May 6.—Father John J. Hughes, head of the Paulist order in this country, died in a hospital here early this morning, aged sixty-two years. He had been unconscious most of the time during the last two days. He suffered a nervous breakdown due to overwork about five weeks ago, and was removed to the hospital.

Father Hughes was for eight years superior general of the Paulist order.

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TROOPS CHARGE RISH CROWD; BAYONETS USED

Several Wounded in Clash in Athlone

Armored Cars Now in Streets—Ryan and Dunne Get Big Reception in Dublin and Make Addresses

London, May 6.—British troops broke up a forbidden meeting at Athlone, Ireland, last night by charging upon the crowd with the bayonet. Several persons were wounded and armored cars have taken possession of the place.

Laurence Ginnell, member of parliament for Westmeath, attempted to address the meeting.

Dublin, May 6.—(By the Associated Press)—Michael J. Ryan of Philadelphia and former Governor Edward F. Dunne of Illinois, representatives of the Irish societies in the United States, arrived here last night from Belfast. They were met at the station by enormous crowds and escorted through the streets.

Notwithstanding the military proscription of meetings and processions, there was no interference with the demonstrations. Upon arrival at their hotel, Ryan and Dunne addressed the assembly from a window, dwelling upon the objects of their war and claiming the right of self-determination and a republican form of government for the Irish. They declared the Irish were as much entitled to those rights as the Jugo-Slavs. Several Sinn Fein leaders also made addresses. The demonstration ended near midnight.

RAISING BIT OF A HUB-BUB. London, May 6.—(By the Associated Press)—The visit of representatives of American Irish societies to Ireland is creating great interest in Sinn Fein circles. The delegates are great admirers of the Sinn Fein and are anxious to be forced to withdraw to Moscow.

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There is considerable mystery about the whole affair, and it is unknown whether or not Premier Lloyd George has been in communication with the visitors at the House of Commons and he promised to receive them, but has cancelled his engagement for the interview. A question was addressed to the government in the House of Commons Monday with a view to establishing whether the envoys are accredited to the British government, and also to establish their exact status. It was also asked if the premier had intended to receive them. The question was met evasively by the home secretary, who promised to make enquiries and said that this would occur a week.

While, according to some despatches from Ireland, the Sinn Feiners are greatly encouraged and believe the creation of an Irish republic is within sight, the realist press here is calling for an explanation from Premier Lloyd George and criticizing President Wilson's alleged interference in British domestic affairs.

"If it is true that Mr. Wilson is behind this intrigue against the Union of the United Kingdom—and after the president's prior toward report any-thing is credible—the American ambassador, says the Post, 'ought to be told that the United Kingdom does not tolerate any interference in its domestic affairs. They are our business and the business of nobody else.'"

The Graphic says—"If any of the states of America were again to demand the right to secede from the union, it is certain the American people would be bitterly indignant; such men will receive any kind of official encouragement from Great Britain. We apply the same standard of judgment to American interference in our affairs."

LOT OF BACK PAY COMING TO THEM

Award to Sydney and Louisburg Railway Trainers

Glouce Bay, N. S., May 6.—The trainmen of the Sydney and Louisburg railway—the coal carriers of the Dominion Coal Company—have been agitating for several years and eventually took their case to the ward board at Ottawa. They won and have been granted eastern schedule pay, an eight hour day and pay and a half for overtime, the same as given the Canadian Pacific and government railways. The increase is to be dated from 1913, a concession of \$87,264 over the actual revenue for 1913. It is largely based upon the new taxes imposed during the present session.

NEW TAXES TO PROVIDE A LARGER REVENUE FOR NOVA SCOTIA

Halifax, N. S., May 6.—The provincial estimates for the fiscal year were brought down in the House of Assembly yesterday. The revenue estimated is \$3,220,886.88, an increase of \$87,264 over the actual revenue for 1913. It is largely based upon the new taxes imposed during the present session.

DEATH OF SPEAKER FISHER OF ALBERTA

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THE INSPECTOR AND THE POLICE

Sunday Sermon Remarks Not Meant for St. John Force Except in One Instance

In accordance with the request of the common council and as head of the safety department which has jurisdiction over the police force, Commissioner Thornton has interviewed Rev. W. D. Wilson, chief inspector under the liquor act, with reference to the statements made by the latter in a sermon on Sunday with regard to officials and the enforcement of the act.

Mr. Thornton said his remarks did not apply to any members of the St. John police force, with the exception of one statement. He had said that a man convicted of violation of the act now was a member of a police force and in this case it was the St. John force that meant. The conviction occurred before the man joined the force and the charge against him was that of having liquor in his possession other than in his own home.

CONBON LEAVES REDS. Budapest, May 6.—(By the Associated Press)—Former Food Minister, Conbon of the Soviet government has fled from this city with his family and has joined the counter revolutionists. Reports are that he has declared he abandoned of Bolshevism because "Bela Kun acted like a Caesar and would not take advice." Czech forces are reported within twenty miles of this city.