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States Protest to Both Belligerents GERMANS EVACUATE LODZ CITY IN GREAT HASTE

ENEMY LEAVES CITY OF LODZ

Report of German Evacuation
Said To Be Confirmed
in Petrograd.

HELD SINCE DECEMBER 6

Hungarians in Carpathians
Reported To Be in Desper-
ate Situation.

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Feb. 11.—The evacuation of
Lodz by the Germans has been con-
firmed, according to a Petrograd dis-
patch to the Havas Agency, which
states that stores, office commissariat
and transports are being removed hastily
to Kalisz.

A refugee who escaped to Czenstocho-
wa, the dispatch credits with the state-
ment that the Germans have resumed
with redoubled vigor the construction of
heavily-fortified lines which was sus-
pended six weeks ago.

Taken on December 6,
Lodz, the second city of Poland, was
captured by the Germans on December
6, when Field Marshal Von Hindenburg
began his dash for Warsaw, 75 miles to
the northeast. The Russians were
driven out of the city only after a des-
perate resistance, according to German
reports, although Petrograd contended
it was evacuated for strategic reasons.
The Russians were reported yesterday
to have assumed the offensive on the
Warsaw front in an effort to push back
the Germans, who are said to have
transferred many troops from that re-
gion to East Prussia.

BATTLE RAGES FURIOUSLY.
[Canadian Press.]
Geneva, Feb. 11.—The battle
which began in the Carpathians on
February 7 still is raging furiously along
a front of 60 miles from Mount Polona-
kova to Mount Malva, according to the
information received here. In the
Mokoshore region Gen. Danil is said
to have been ordered to send reinforce-
ments to extricate a Hungarian corps,
which was almost cut off.

The Russians are reported to have
gained several miles in the valley of
Lutya, which borders the northern
slopes of Polona-Runka, and also ad-
vanced a half mile in the valley of La-
borz, where the railroad passes. In a
single charge by the Russians upon Aus-
tro-Hungarian trenches, 1,800 men are
said to have been killed and wounded in
three hours' heavy fighting.

BERLIN'S VERSION.
Berlin, Feb. 11.—The correspondent in the
Carpathians of the Berlin Tageblatt tele-
graphs his paper that the offensive
spirit of the Russian forces in this
arena of the war appears to have been
broken. They are contenting them-
selves with defence with artillery
against the German attack. They have
lost in round numbers 10,000 men in
dead, wounded and prisoners since the
end of January.

The Austrians and the Germans are
gaining ground steadily, according to
this correspondent. A serious battle is
going on before Dukla Pass. Russian
cavalry complain of insufficient food
and no pay for three months. Many of
them were sent to the front after drill-
ing which lasted only two weeks.

VACCINATE COMPANY DAILY.
The troubles of the men of the Thirty-
third Battalion, who are beginning with
the onset of vaccination, to which one
company a day is being subjected.
When they have had time to recover
from the effects they will next be in-
oculated as a safe guard against
typhoid.

CAPT. T. J. MURPHY
IS VERY PROUD OF HIS
UNIVERSITY CORPS



He is in command of the officers'
training corps, and says that shortly
they will be able to form a battalion.

BRITISH TROOPS CAPTURE
SOME IMPORTANT POINTS

Repulse the German Counter-
Attacks, Inflicting Heavy
Losses On Enemy.

[Canadian Press.]
St. Omer, France, Feb. 8.—Via Paris.
Feb. 11.—The capture of the hill of
Notre Dame de Lorette by the French
has been announced at headquarters
here. The hill, which dominates the
entire region, has been fiercely disputed
for weeks.

SAWING UP GOOD TIES COSTING LONDON MUCH



The accompanying photograph shows a number of the ties taken from the
roadbed of the London and Port Stanley Railway when construction began.
There is an enormous pile of these ties at Smease street, and many of them
have been sawed up for firewood. While there are many old ties in the great
pile, many of them are practically new, such as are shown in the above picture.
In fact, the city of St. Thomas purchased 10,000 of these ties for its street
railway at ten cents apiece, and the mayor of St. Thomas, on seeking re-election,
said in his campaign statement that the same ties would have cost the city of
St. Thomas 80 cents each if bought from anyone else. At 10 cents each the cost
to the Railway City was \$1,000. At regular prices the cost would have been
\$8,000.

Many citizens, who have seen hundreds of ties, many of them not more than
a year old, being sawed up for firewood, regard the practice as wanton ex-
travagance.

One man said that there were enough old ties for firewood to last the poor
of London for an indefinite period, and that it was scandalous to saw up the
good ones.

ADVERSE DISCUSSION BECAUSE NO LONDON CITIZEN RECEIVED L & P. S. R. WAREHOUSE CONTRACT

One of Conservative Chiefs of Railroad City, Mr. Ponsford,
Was Given \$15,000 Job—Contract Awarded Directly
From Ottawa—London Contractors Angry.

The letting of the contract for a
warehouse at Port Stanley, to be
used for the London and Port Stan-
ley Railway, to a St. Thomas con-
tractor for \$15,000, caused much
discussion among local contractors
today.

Mr. Ponsford, the St. Thomas
contractor who secured the con-
tract, is one of the Railway City's
Conservative chiefs. As far as could
be ascertained, the contract was
awarded direct from Ottawa, with
a recommendation from those in-
terested in the London and Port
Stanley road.

Londoners First—Not.
Germany Requires
Another Huge Loan

Billions, and Quarter Needed, and
Krupps Are Expected to Help.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Feb. 11.—German financiers
have been summoned to a conference in
Berlin with the Finance Minister, who
considers that a new loan of \$1,250,000,
000 is required for the continuance of
the war, says a dispatch from Amster-
dam to the Exchange Telegraph Com-
pany.

It is hoped that a large portion of this
loan, the message adds, will be sub-
scribed by the Krupps and other lead-
ing German firms in exchange for new
army contracts.

WANT TOO MUCH MONEY
One of the Government horse buyers
stated to The Advertiser today that
farmers were somewhat tardy in bring-
ing in the better class of horses for
military mounts. He said that prices
expected were too large, and that there
should not be so much holding out.

A position captured by the British
close to Valenciennes station was one of
considerable importance, as it over-
looks La Bassée. The Germans made
several attempts to recapture it, but the
British troops held strongly-fortified
lines and repulsed these attacks with
heavy slaughter.

The British captured on Sunday night
two trenches near Festubert, taking 500
prisoners, who belonged apparently to
the newest class of German recruits.
Nearly all of them were young and wore
new uniforms.

KAISER DEPRESSED OVER GREAT LOSSES IN POLISH FIGHTING

Danish Critics Say He Has Protested and a New Point of
Attack, Where Russian Positions Are Weaker,
Will Be S elected.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Feb. 11.—The situation in
the eastern arena of the fighting is
occupying the attention of the military
authorities in Berlin in very large de-
gree, if reliance may be placed on news
dispatches reaching London from the
continent. According to these, Em-
peror William returned hurriedly to
Berlin from the Polish war theatre and
at once held a prolonged military con-
ference, summoning for this purpose
General von Moellke, Count von Auten-
burg, General von Kessel, and num-
bers of other well-known leaders.

According to the correspondents of
certain neutral Danish newspapers,
Emperor William finds the situation
generally hopeful, but he is described
as greatly depressed over the terrible
cost in men Germany has had to pay
in return for comparatively limited
advances against the entrenched Rus-
sians.

Estimates 45,000 Dead.
One account reaching Paris by way
of Warsaw places the German losses on
the Bzura and the Hwarka fronts at
55,000 dead. This report is absolutely
without confirmation, and it has not
even been repeated from any other
source.

Nevertheless, Danish military critics
say Emperor William has protested
against this slaughter, and that as a
result an effort will be made by the
German staff to transfer the fight-
ing to some point where the Russians
are less firmly entrenched.

Russia Optimistic.
The Russian view of the fighting
from the extreme north to the extreme
southeast of the line through Poland
continues to be optimistic. The loss of
some ground to the Russian allies in
Bukovina appears to have been more
than offset by what the dispatches
from Petrograd describe as the
strategic importance of the Russian
gains in the Carpathians.

The British press finds much cause
for comment in the Austrian official
admission that "the fighting is heavy
and vexatious." In the Carpathians it
is evident that both sides find the fight-
ing among snow-covered passes, with
only the most precarious connection
with their sources of supplies, a war
measure in which the results gained
are very dearly purchased.

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TAXES ON EXPORTS MAY BE IMPOSED

Suggestion That Finance Min-
ister Will Increase Revenue
In This Way.

IS SURE TO HIT LUXURIES
While Banking and Legal
Documents Are Likely To
Be Taxed.

[Canadian Press.]
Ottawa, Feb. 11.—The Government's
financial proposals to counteract the
large drop in revenue during the past
twelve months and to provide for the
expenditure of the coming year will
be laid before Parliament this after-
noon by Hon. W. T. White, minister
of finance. The finance minister has
announced that the proposals mean
raising new revenues in the neighbor-
hood of fifteen millions, as the deficit
this year will be met by loans from
Great Britain. To carry on the or-
dinary business of the Dominion, new
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STREET RAILWAY MUST GIVE CITY EVERY INCH COMING

Must Improve Equipment To
Bring It Up to Standard,
Says Mayor.

Everything that is due the city in the
way of better, improved service
and more trackage. We will make a
municipal census, and get every inch
that is coming to us. It will cost us
\$1,000 or more to take this census, but
it is necessary. It would appear that
the nature of the new taxation has
been very carefully guarded, and will
not be disclosed until Mr. White makes
his announcement to the House. It is
believed, however, that it will affect
a large number of imports, especially
luxuries, while money will be raised
by taxing banking and legal docu-
ments. Excise taxes will also be in-
creased. Tea, coffee, sugar, tobacco
and liquors are expected to be affected.
Liquors will probably be necessary, and
it was suggested this morning that
Mr. White might resort to export taxes,
and seek revenue in the many raw ma-
terials which leave the country for use
in other countries.

A. S. C. TRAINING DEPOT HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED

Will Be for Duty on Salisbury Plain—
Recruits From London.

The organization of an Army Service
Corps training depot for duty at Salis-
bury Plain has been authorized, and
in connection with this it is announced
that the depot will be recruited in
London to be sent to Toronto. One non-
commissioned officer, capable of perform-
ing the duties of company sergeant-
major, one non-commissioned officer,
capable of performing the duties of com-
pany quartermaster-sergeant, three
clerks, one trumpeter, two corporals, one
wheelwright, one fitter, four drivers (horse),
five batmen. Arrangements for recruit-
ing are being made at divisional head-
quarters.

DR. DOUGLASS RETURNS.—Dr.
Leonard Douglass, the former Londoner,
and who for the past ten years has
enjoyed an extensive practice at Spring-
field, has returned to this city. Dr.
Douglass has opened a suite of offices
in Parkview apartments.

UNITED STATES WARNS BOTH GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY

Views Use of Neutral Flag by Former's Vessels With Deep
Concern and Tells Kaiser Sinking of Any Ameri-
can Vessel Will Lead to Trouble.

(Canadian Press.)
Washington, Feb. 11.—The United States has warned
Great Britain and Germany respectively that general use of
the American flag by British vessels would be viewed with
grave concern here, and that the destruction by Germany of
any American vessel in the newly prescribed war zone would
lead to serious complications.

WAR TO END IN RIOT OF BLOOD

Allies and Germans Prepare
For Unparalleled Battle
in Spring.

THEN WILL COME PEACE
Experts Agree That "Exhaus-
tion and Demolition" Must
at Once Ensnare.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Paris, Feb. 11.—"What a slaughter
Europe is to see," says Frederick
Palmer, who will accom-
pany the allied armies when they be-
gin their drive against the Germans,
made the above remark today. He
had just talked things over with sev-
eral of the chiefs of the general staff
and knew what plans are. His opin-
ion later was echoed in another way
by General Foch, who said:

"Great events are coming. Then
will come peace, but it will not be
the peace of the past. It will be a
peace of exhaustion and demolition."
And from neutrals who have been
in Germany it is learned that the same
thing is being said there. Both sides
are holding their own during the win-
ter months and preparing, preparing,
preparing.

Must Be Decisive.
So when May comes, or spring, to
use more elastic term, mud-stained
troopers will come out of their holes
in the ground and once more tread on
the flower-carpeted fields of France,
Belgium and Germany in a terrible,
bloody encounter that is to go down
to history as worst of all.

Will Ask Council For
"Blue Sky" Legislation
London Horticultural Society Com-
mittee Named in This Regard.

At the regular meeting of the Lon-
don Horticultural Society a committee
was named to wait upon the board of
trade and ask its co-operation in plac-
ing before the council a request for
"Blue Sky" legislation, which is now
in effect in many cities in England. In
effect the proposal means setting the
clock back an hour, allowing the work-
ingmen especially, a longer evening at
home. This would mean starting an
hour earlier in the morning.

THE WEATHER
SPRING SIGNS LOCAL TEMPER-
ATURES.
Following were the highest and
lowest temperatures recorded in the
24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last
night: Highest, 24; lowest, 4.

The official tem-
peratures for the
12 hours previous
to 8 a.m. today
were: Highest, 36;
lowest, 20.

TOMORROW—CLOUDY AND MILD.
Toronto, Feb. 11—8 a.m.
Forecasts.
Fresh southwesterly winds, cloudy and
mild, today and on Friday.

The following were the highest and
lowest temperatures during the 24 hours
previous to 8 a.m. today:
Stations. High. Low. Weather.
Victoria. 59. 23. Cloudy
Calgary. 32. 14. Clear
Winnipeg. 20. 13. Cloudy
Port Arthur. 20. 15. Cloudy
Perry Sound. 20. 12. Cloudy
Toronto. 22. 20. Cloudy
Ottawa. 12. 4. Snow
Montreal. 12. 19. Cloudy
Quebec. 12. 2. Cloudy
Father Point. 12. 2. Cloudy

Weather Notes.
A shallow trough of low pressure is
moving across the Great Lakes and
under weather is likely to set in over
Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.
Fairly high temperatures have pre-
vailed in the West.

SEE HON. MARTIN BURRILL ABOUT WESTERN FAIR GRANT

Secretary A. M. Hunt, of the West-
ern Fair Board, received a wire from
William Gray, M. P., at Ottawa, stat-
ing that Hon. Martin Burrill, minister
of agriculture, would be in the city to-
day, and telling Mr. Hunt to see him
in regard to securing a grant for the
Western Fair.

After the speech of Mr. Burrill at
Toronto, in which he stated that the
Government intended to make grants
to the larger agricultural exhibitions for
use as prizes, the Western Fair has
been determined to lay its case before
the department. A deputation to Ot-
tawa is being arranged at the present
time. The Western claims to be the
greatest strictly agricultural exhibition
in Ontario, and would have a great
show to expect large assistance.

Unless Mr. Burrill arrives, the de-
putation will go today, at the same time
interviewing Hon. Sam Hughes, min-
ister of militia, in regard to the loss
on the Western Fair grandstand.

PLAN TO REBUILD A FINER BELGIUM

Refugee Architects in Britain
Will Have the Benefit of
British Experience.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Feb. 11.—A comprehensive
plan for the rebuilding of towns and
cities of Belgium was discussed at the
opening today of the international con-
ference of garden cities.

"From the ruins of devastated towns
and cities there shall arise a newer and
finer Belgium," said Herbert Samuel,
president of the local government board
and one of the 200,000 refugees who were
welcomed to Britain, there are about
200 architects. Our idea is to bring
them together and to place at their dis-
posal our experience, for the develop-
ment of Belgian towns along modern
lines."