

RUSSIA, IN REVOLT, SEEKS PEACE

MAXIMALISTS DEPOSE KERENSKY--WILL QUIT WAR

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Nov. 8.—The Maximalists have obtained control of Petrograd and issued a proclamation saying the new Government will propose immediate peace, the semi-official news agency announces. The Maximalists were assisted by the Petrograd garrison, which made possible a coup d'etat without bloodshed. Leon Trotzky, president of the Central executive committee of the Petrograd Council of Soldiers' and Workmen's delegates, issued a declaration to the effect that the provisional government was no longer in existence and that some of its members had been arrested. The preliminary parliament has been dissolved. An Exchange Telegraph despatch from Petrograd says a strong detachment of troops of the Soldiers' and Workmen's Delegates occupied the Baltic Railway station and that the government commandeered all motor cars, confining the troops to the barracks. The Russian news agency, which, as reported last night was seized by the Maximalists, sends the following from Petrograd, dated 9.50 p.m. "The day brought certain changes in the general situation in the capital. The Maximalist movement made fresh and fairly appreciable progress, but no disorders have taken place. "Towards five o'clock in the afternoon the military revolutionary committee of the Soldiers' and Workmen's Delegates issued a proclamation stating that Petrograd was in its hands, thanks to the assistance of the garrison which enabled the coup d'etat to be brought about without bloodshed.. "The proclamation declares that the new government will propose an immediate and just peace, will hand the land to the peasants and will summon the constituent assembly.

HERTLING IN PERIL OF SHIP WRECK

German Political Crisis As Acute as Ever; No Abatement

By Courier Leased Wire London, Nov. 8.—The German political crisis is represented as being as acute as ever in special dispatches from Amsterdam. Some say that Count von Hertling's chancellorship is in danger of immediate shipwreck. The refusal of Herr Friedberg, leader of the National Liberal party, to accept the vice-presidency of the Prussian ministry and the alleged certainty that Dr. Helfferich is to be retained as vice-chancellor, are regarded as matters impossible of settlement. Count von Hertling is reported to have succumbed to military and junker influence. The Berliner Tageblatt refers to the reactionary forces opposing the nomination of Progressive leaders. The Koelnische Zeitung blames the Progressives and Socialists for re-awakening of the crisis, and says that the prospect for a political truce has quite disappeared. Renew Ausgleich Amsterdam, Nov. 8.—The Vossische Zeitung of Berlin says that Budapest newspapers announce that the Austro-Hungarian Ausgleich will be renewed provisionally for two years. The Ausgleich is a compromise reached between the monarchies of Austria and Hungary in 1867 by which each possesses a separate parliament united under a common emperor. The agreement is renewed every ten years. In 1907 a new Ausgleich was perfected, taking the form of a treaty instead of a commercial and customs alliance. This expires during the present month.

Fusion Meeting Fails in Purpose; Deadlock When Vote Was Taken

SHIP BUILDING HAS PRIORITY OVER ALL IN U.S.

America Fully Awakes to Importance of Tonnage in the War MISSION OVERSEAS U. S. Commission to Allied Conference Has Returned to London

By Courier Leased Wire London, Nov. 8.—The special American commission to the allied conference arrived in London last night. It is headed by Col. E. M. House, as special commissioner, with the honorary rank of special ambassador. "We had a pleasant and uneventful voyage," Col. House told the Associated Press. "The weather was fair. There were no submarines. It was best vacation I have had in two years." The members of the mission held a conference to-day with Col. House presiding. The meeting lasted an hour. Col. House outlined a tentative program for the next few days, calling for a series of conferences with British officials. Each member of the mission will discuss his particular work with British officials in charge of similar activities in England. Admiral Benson had an early call on Admiral Jellicoe, first sea lord, and General Bliss expected to visit the war office during the day. "I am impatient to see with my own eyes the great efforts England is making towards solving the shipping problem," said Mr. Bainbridge Colby, American shipping board representative on the mission, "and with this end in view will pay an early visit to the great shipyards. America is now fully awake to the importance of tonnage in this war, and is carrying out a program of unparalleled magnitude. Shipbuilding now takes priority over all other work in our country." Some of the members of the mission are planning an early visit to France.

Names of W. F. Cockshutt and M. M. MacBride Went Before Union Gathering and Eleven Votes Were Cast For Each--Liberals Sought to Block Nomination--Resolution on War Profiteering

After three hours of session, a deadlock was reached at last night's union meeting. Two names were placed before the gathering, those of W. F. Cockshutt and M. M. MacBride, and eleven votes were cast for each candidate, the other ballots being returned blank. The name of Mr. Lloyd Harris was not proposed. The sensation of the evening was sprung when M. W. McEwen, John Muir and others among the Liberal delegates, opposed the nomination of candidates, declaring the meeting to have been called purely for a get-together convention to discuss the situation. The point was over-ruled by a large majority, who established clearly that the meeting had been called by the Liberal Association for the purpose of selecting, if possible, a fusion candidate, and as a result the majority of the Liberal delegates cast no ballot. The meeting endorsed the Union Government platform, and agreed to select only a candidate who would do the same, one prepared to take energetic action for regulation of food prices and supply, and one removed from any suspicion of war profiteering. The clause proved a contentious point, a number confusing profiteering with profits, and endeavoring to convict almost every citizen of the Dominion of one branch of profiteering or another. The resolution was finally carried with the significance of excess profiteering made expressly clear.

NOTHING WILL HALT BRITISH 'FIRE ROLLER'

Slow and Steady Gain Recorded By Allied Moving Barrage SAYS GERMAN CRITIC Teuton Artillery Inferior in Numbers to that of the British

By Courier Leased Wire Copenhagen, Nov. 8.—Unwilling testimony of the irresistible might of the British offensive in Flanders is given by Lieut-General von Ardenne, the military critic of The Tageblatt of Berlin, who sends from the Flanders front a graphic picture of the difficulties of the German defense. No way, he says, has been devised to prevent the "fire roller" as the Germans term the moving barrage, from making slow and steady gains. He reports the German losses as very heavy, if an attempt is made to hold the front line trenches in force, while a thin line adds to the speed of the British advance. "The sufferings of the defenders in the front line," General von Ardenne writes, "composed of shell holes almost filled with water, are such that the men must be relieved every two days, instead of every week or every ten days, as last year. The infantry now spends two days on the firing line, two in support and two in reserve until relieved. "The German artillery is so numerically inferior to the British that (Continued on Page Three)

AGREEMENT OF AMERICA AND JAPAN

Generally Favored in Old Land--German Intrigue Caused Mistrust

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Nov. 8.—Details of the Japanese-American agreement are displayed prominently in today's newspapers, but editorial comment restricted to a few papers. The point emphasized is Germany's agency in past misunderstandings and suspicions between the two nations. Gratification is expressed that the period of mistrust has ended. The Chronicle says the agreement is a considerable diplomatic event in which Britain, as a special ally of Japan, will take particular satisfaction. "The Morning Post believes that the agreement is of first importance for the future of the Pacific and the world. Both papers express pleasure over the arrangements regarding China and they remark that the aims announced concerning China are identical with Great Britain. "The Post urges Japan to go to Russia's aid, both militarily and industrially. Liberty Loan.—America responded to the call for a second liberty war loan by subscribing \$4,617,522,300, an over-subscription by fifty-four per cent of the three billion dollars asked and only \$383,000,000 less than the \$5,000,000,000 maximum fixed by the treasury. "Tabulations completed last night showed that every federal reserve district exceeded its quota and 9,400,000 persons subscribed in the big war financing operation."

By Courier Leased Wire Montreal, Nov. 8.—John Paul Desrochers, chauffeur, was convicted yesterday of manslaughter, as through his recklessness on a "joy ride" two people were killed. He will be sentenced later.

SEEK INCREASE LABOR CANDIDATE

By Courier Leased Wire Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 8.—An authorization was received yesterday from Ottawa of the Board of Conciliation and Investigation, which will inquire into the differences between the C. P. R. and its freight handlers here. The men are demanding increased wages and an 8 hour day.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Toronto, Nov. 8.—The depression, which formed over the Bay of Fundy on Wednesday night still hovers over the Maritime province, attended by very unsettled conditions. Elsewhere in Canada the weather remains fine. Forecasts. Light, variable winds, fine to-day and on Friday with stationary or a little higher temperature.

RESCUED TWO

By Courier Leased Wire Montreal, Nov. 8.—Firemen, led by Captain Pressault of the Signeurs St. fire station, fought their way up two flights of stairs at 1311 west Notre Dame St. at 10 o'clock last night to rescue a man and woman who had been overcome by smoke from fire. All returned safely.

IT-COL. McTAVISH, A.D.M.S.

By Courier Leased Wire Victoria, Nov. 8.—The appointment is announced of Lieut-Colonel F. C. McTavish, to be assistant director of medical service of military district No. 11 with headquarters in Victoria. During the war in South Africa he served as a surgeon with the British forces. During the last year he has been on the staff of a large hospital at Liverpool, Eng.

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expressed appreciation of Mr. McEwen's words, and told a visit to Ottawa, where he had been in touch with union ministers and others familiar with the political situation through the Dominion, was related that the union government would have no walk-over. If union was maintained, its supporters must get together in all circumstances, or the other side, the anti-conscriptorists, might yet carry the day. The speaker emphasized the reality of the union government. He did not consider that the Liberals had made the sacrifice, as the declaring that both had done equally, and that those in the government at the present time were there with a sincere desire to help. The fact could not be concealed.

THE CANDIDATE

It is agreed at this joint meeting of representatives from the following parties of the constituency of Brantford, namely, the Liberal party, the Independent Labor party, and the Conservative party that any candidate for the constituency of Brantford for the Dominion House must agree to be bound and subscribe to the following conditions. (1) Such candidate must agree to endorse the platform of the present Union Government as announced by Sir Robert Borden. (2) The candidate must agree to support and if necessary introduce such measure or measures as may be required to bring about an effective regulation of the prices and supply of food, fuel and other necessities of life used by the working classes of the Dominion of Canada on an equitable basis at prices which the working classes are able to pay for the same. (3) Such candidate shall not be or hereafter become either directly or indirectly interested or connected with any business or contract whereby such candidate shall gain any excessive profit now known as profits by reason of the war, it being the intention of this condition that such candidate should be entirely removed from the suspicion of being interested in what is commonly called "war profiteering."

To Endorse Union. A. G. Brown suggested that the

MANIFESTO OF THE UNION GOVERNMENT

manifesto of the union government be read. Mr. John Muir considered it advisable that the committee endorse the principles of union government. Mr. Brewster explained that the resolution was intended to embrace that provision. Mr. Muir suggested that Mr. Brewster introduce such a resolution of endorsement. Mr. Brewster called for a standing vote. J. J. Kelly called for a written resolution. Mr. Brewster then moved the following resolution: "That the members of this meeting pledge themselves to support the union government, led by Sir Robert Borden, by all the means within their power." Mr. Rose inquired whether the resolution required a candidate to follow Sir Robert Borden in any move the latter made. Mr. Muir and Mr. Brewster explained that the resolution had no reference to a candidate. Mr. M. W. McEwen stated that the committee was agreeing to support a candidate approved by the government, a candidate who had pledged himself to the union platform. Names or No Names? "What about Mr. Cockshutt?" demanded Mr. Harrup. He has endorsed the union platform, but after to-night reserves the right of choosing his own course of action." Capt. J. R. Cornelius of the G. W. Y. A. took strenuous objection to the bringing in of a candidate's name. "The question is, whether we support union government or not," he declared. "We are not in Germany here," declared Mr. Stinchcombe. I in turn object to Capt. Cornelius' remarks." Ald. Symons considered that there was no reason for not mentioning the name of any formally nominated candidate. The meeting would get further ahead if heated debate were kept out. All Unionists. "Are we in favor of union government on the conditions already laid (Continued on Page 4.)

DO NOT RISK DELAY!

Reports for Service must be handed in on or before SATURDAY

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little higher temperature.