

PERSHING IS FIRM FRIEND OF THE ALLIES

Fourteen Thousand Persons Crowd Hall to Hear Him Denounce Traitors.

AMERICA NO PLACE FOR PROPAGANDISTS

"We Abhor the Intriguer Who Would Secretly Plot Against Our Interests."

New York, March 18.—General John J. Pershing, speaking before a crowd which packed Madison Square Garden tonight at one of the greatest patriotic demonstrations here since the signing of the armistice, bitterly denounced persons of foreign birth who seek the freedom of the United States to spread "political and war-like propaganda" to weaken the ties of friendship between the United States and her allies in the late war.

Fifteen minutes before the meeting was called to order by Colonel Fyank Galbraith, national commander of the American Legion, the fire department officials ordered the doors of the garden closed to bar further admissions.

General Pershing, paying tribute to foreign born citizens who served in the Philippines, Mexico and France, declared it was entirely proper that foreigners should cling to the folk lore, literature and music of their birth places, but he assailed those who seek to decide questions and political policies in this country by the standards of their fatherlands.

"We do not object," said General Pershing, "to the foreign-born citizen who attempts to determine a policy of this country because of foreign prejudice, whether he be German, or Irish, Italian, Hungarian or Russian, but we do object to the propagandist who seeks to influence the minds of our citizens by the use of political or war-like propaganda in foreign countries."

"In the United States there can be no place for those who, claiming citizenship with us and enjoying its privileges under our flag, yet continue their allegiance to another country. We welcome all those who honestly desire to become citizens and adopt this country as their own, but we abhor the intriguer, who at the same time, would secretly plot against our interests."

"Are we to forget the years of yesterday? Is the wanton destruction of France and Belgium and on the seas to be condoned? Shall subtle propaganda again lift its person-political tentacles to weaken our friendships? The United States shall remain steadfast in her attitude against aggression and insist that outlaw nations be held to full responsibility for the full penalty for their misdeeds."

Similar sentiments were expressed by other speakers. Letters endorsing the meeting were received from President Harding and patriotic organizations in all parts of the United States.

Helmsborg, Finland, March 18.—General Koostovskiy, leader of the Russian revolutionaries, who was forced to evacuate Kronstadt before the repeated assaults of the Bolsheviks, gave an account of the rising today.

On March 2, he declared, the Kronstadt Government informed the Petrograd authorities it did not recognize the Soviet Government. The Soviet commissaries and leaders of the fleet were arrested and a committee of sailors and workmen elected.

Former officers offered their services, and on March 3 a Kronstadt Government was formed. The military members proposed an attack on Oranienbaum on the Gulf of Finland, opposite the Soviet Government. The provisional committee refused and the garrison began the defense of its fortress.

The hostile attacks became fiercer and fiercer daily. General Koostovskiy said, and yesterday the garrison, unable to repulse them longer, was forced to retire.

Prices are down. Omaha, Neb., March 18.—Reductions ranging from 5 to 30 per cent on the price of certain foods sold on its dining cars have been made, it was announced, by the Union Pacific Railway today.

Quits The Commons

SIR HERBERT AMES.

who has resigned his seat in St. Antoine-Montreal in the House of Commons because he is financial adviser to the Council of the League of Nations. He is a son-in-law of Sir John Kennedy, of Montreal.

EAST HAS MORE PRISONERS THAN WEST PROVINCES

Penitentiaries Will Cost for Next Year About \$1,371,000 Estimate.

WARDEN MEIGHEN COMMISSION CHOSEN

Criticize Gov't for Paying Bigger Salaries to Warden Than to Farm Experts.

Ottawa, March 18.—Alleged indiscriminate distribution of Government pamphlets was attacked in the Commons today by Dr. Michael Clark, Red Deer, who declared that were he to attempt to read those which he received he would read his entire time occupied.

The estimates of the Department of Justice followed. The first item of \$10,000, deputy minister's salary, was criticized by A. B. Cope, Westmorland, remarking that it indicated the position given to agriculture that the deputy minister of the agricultural department should receive \$5,500 per annum and a house.

A. B. Cope, Westmorland, criticized the system by which secretaries in the Department of Justice received a bonus in addition to their salaries. The salaries of the department, totaling \$100,000, an increase of \$5,153 over the previous year were passed with contingencies of \$25,000, also an increase of \$1,000. Two items, miscellaneous expenditures \$13,200 and department costs \$20,000 were also carried. Exchequer court estimates of \$3,334.34, a decrease of \$500 over 1920 estimates were passed.

After several minor items from the Department of Justice the House went into the estimates for penitentiaries, which shows an increase of \$275,000 compared with last year.

Replying to many questions, Hon. Mr. Doherty said there was an increase in the number of penitentiaries inmates in the Eastern provinces, but not in the West. Most of the convictions in the past few months had been for crimes of violence. Last year penitentiaries cost the country \$1,096,600; this year the estimate is \$1,371,000. The cost per inmate was \$1.51 per day.

At one o'clock the House was still considering penitentiary estimates. Just before the dinner adjournment the minister informed A. B. Cope, Westmorland, that the appointment of Wm. Meighen to the wardenship of Dorchester penitentiary was made by the Civil Service Commission and on the basis of promotion.

Hon. C. C. Ballantyne Sick in Montreal

Merchant Marine Statement Will Be Delayed Until After Easter Recess.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Hon. C. C. Ballantyne will not make a statement on the operations of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine until the House of Commons re-assembles after the Easter recess.

The minister is confined to his house in Montreal with a severe cold. Reports received here are to the effect that his condition is improving but it is considered unlikely that he will attend sittings of the House until after Easter.

Adopts Reparations

London, March 18.—The House of Commons tonight passed the third reading of the Reparation Bill. The bill provides for a levy of 50 per cent on German goods, but this provision will not be effective until March 31.

FORD TOURING CAR OFFER TO END TONIGHT

Which Standard Contestant Will Win It? Returns Can be Mailed Monday.

LAST OF EXTRA CLUB VOTE BALLOTS

300,000 Extra Votes for Each \$35 Turned in During This Week—Read Closing Rules

Tonight at midnight ends the close of the last extra club vote offer in the Standard's Contest. The big automobile special offer in the Standard's Automobile and Movie Star Contest.

Which contestant will win the new five-passenger Ford Touring Car? It is a special prize which is offered for the best work done during a three-week period which terminates tonight.

Midnight tonight also marks the close of the last extra club vote offer in the Standard's contest. An extra vote ballot good for 300,000 votes will be given with each and every \$35 worth of subscriptions secured by midnight tonight.

The manager of the Automobile and Movie Star Department announces that contestants who fail to take advantage of the last extra club vote offer which is in vogue this week, will be just 300,000 votes short for each and every \$35 worth of subscriptions they secure after midnight tonight.

No returns brought or mailed to the Automobile and Movie Star Department on Tuesday of next week will count on the Ford offer. Read the closing rules for the Ford offer carefully. They will be found in today's contest ad.

AT THE IMPERIAL TODAY—Mrs. M. J. Minter in "Sweet Lavender."

AT THE QUEEN SQUARE TODAY—Shirley Mason in "The Little Stranger."

AT THE UNIQUE TODAY—Tom Mix in "The Texan."

AT THE OPERA HOUSE TODAY—High class vaudeville and feature pictures.

Two of the prizes to be given away in the Standard's big contest are opportunities to become Movie Stars with the Universal Film Company, Fitzgibbon's largest and most progressive Moving Picture Company.

RAID LIQUORS FOR A. F. OF L.

Denver, Colo., March 18.—State and federal agents today raided the headquarters of the entertainment committee of the American Federation of Labor here, confiscated twenty-one gallons of whiskey and arrested two members of a committee charged to provide entertainment for the national convention of the order here next summer, on a charge of violating the prohibition laws.

Roundabout Way For N. B. Meats

Westmorland Beef Goes to Montreal Before Going to Dorchester Penitentiary.

Ottawa, March 18.—In a criticism of the way in which purchases are made for the penitentiaries of Canada, some strong remarks were made in the House this evening by A. B. Cope of Westmorland, N. B., in reply to the Minister of Justice, the Hon. C. J. Doherty. Mr. Cope claimed that methods were being used of which the Minister of Justice did not have knowledge. He cited the case of Dorchester penitentiary in New Brunswick, where, he said, the purchasing officials neglected the New Brunswick business firms in favor of Montreal and Ottawa houses.

Case in Point. Meat originally purchased in Westmorland County and shipped to the Montreal market was purchased by dealers and re-shipped to Dorchester. Only one merchant in his constituency had sold a substantial bill to the Eastern institution.

The Minister of Justice promised to supply Mr. Cope with detailed information showing that all goods for the institution in question were purchased by contract.

DEFEAT RATIFICATION BILL

Hamilton, Bermuda, March 18.—A motion to ratify the Canada-West Indies trade agreement was defeated in the House of Assembly today by a vote of 16 to 11.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA. A rumor is current that the entire directorate of the Canadian National Railways will resign about April 3.

Further hearing of the charge of murder against Eskiel Berry, of Forest Hill, N. B., has been postponed until next Monday morning. One killed and two injured in railway accident near Pictou Junction, N. S.

UNITED STATES. General Pershing, before 14,000 persons in Madison Square Garden assails foreigners of the United States who would make trouble between the Allies.

BRITISH ISLES. Resignation of Andrew Bonar Law likely to produce great demand for general election.

Three Sinn Fein members of the House of Commons are alleged to be leaders in attacks made in Dublin on the Crown forces.

EUROPE. French and Belgians move more armies into Germany and occupy more cities.

Belgian forces are now within two and a half miles of Essen. The central freight yard at Wedan, the largest in the Ruhr district and Mulheim stations are guarded by French troops. Dusseldorf is quiet.

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Ill in London

SIR ADAM BECK. Head of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission, who is reported ill at his home in London, Ont.

ENTIRE BOARD OF C. N. R. MAY RESIGN EARLY

Ottawa Rumor Declares They Will Quit Posts Soon After April 9.

G. T. R. NEGOTIATIONS NEARING AN END

Reorganization of Entire National System Likely to Follow End of Hearing.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 18.—It is understood here tonight that reorganization of the Canadian National Railways board of directors will be carried out shortly after April 9. That is the date on which the Grand Trunk arbitration proceedings are due to come to a close.

It is also learned that a request has come from the Grand Trunk for an extension of time in the proceedings, but there is reason for believing that this request will not be granted. While no official statement has come from the government with regard to Canadian National Railway board reorganization, it may be taken that the report has foundation.

All May Quit. Just how that reorganization is to be carried out is not indicated, but it will likely include the retirement of all members of the board. The personnel of the C. N. R. board of directors is as follows: D. B. Hanna, President and General Manager; A. J. Mitchell, Winnipeg, Vice President; R. T. Riley, Winnipeg; Robert Hobson, Hamilton; E. R. Wood, Toronto; Sir H. Leonard, Montreal; G. A. Bell, Deputy Minister of Railways; Colonel Thomas Cantley, New Glasgow; A. P. Barnhill, St. John, N. B.

The statement is also made that consolidation of the entire system will be gone forward with immediately the Grand Trunk is taken over.

Married Men Are Given Mine Work

New Waterford, N. S., Mar. 18.—All the married men among the 300 employees recently laid off at No. 15 colliery here were today given employment by the Dominion Coal Company at its other collieries in this district. The policy of the company is to keep the married men at work as long as possible, laying off the unmarried men, if necessary, to provide places for them.

MOVE ARMIES FURTHER INTO GERMAN LANDS

French Troops Are Now Within Two Miles of City of Essen.

GERMANS EXCITED OVER ARMED SHIPS

Belgian Forces Have Been Advanced Into Speldorf and Mulheim-on-Ruhr.

Dusseldorf, March 18.—The occupation area has been extended from Duisburg to stations all along the railroad running from Duisburg to Essen to within two and a half miles of Essen. The central freight yard at Wedan, the largest in the Ruhr district and Mulheim stations are guarded by French troops. Dusseldorf is quiet.

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ENGINEER KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK AT PICTOU JCT.

Express Train Ran Into Open Switch and Engine Turned Over.

Dead Railwayman Was a Resident of Pictou—Fireman Among Victims.

Pictou, N. S., March 18.—The short line express No. 34, from Oxford Junction to Pictou ran into an open switch at Urquhart's Sliding, about two miles from Tatamagouche tonight. The engine turned over and crushed to death the driver, John J. Ferguson, of Pictou, and badly injured Dick Almon, the fireman. James Rogers, the baggage man, was also badly shaken up. The two cars next to the engine left the rails, and went over at an angle of 45 degrees. The first and second class cars held the rails and some of the passengers were injured. A wrecking train was sent out from Stellarton to clear the line.

Jail And Lashes For Hero Veteran

Refused to Work in German Shop—Comes Home to be Found Guilty of Robbery.

Vancouver, B. C., March 18.—Joseph Kehoe has been sentenced to five years in the penitentiary and twenty-four lashes, for robbery with violence. There were eight charges against him. As a prisoner of war, he was sentenced to sixteen years imprisonment by the Germans because of his refusal to work in a munitions factory but was exchanged because of his physical condition.

Returned soldiers organizations met today to frame a petition to have the flogging omitted.

Soviets To Reject American Deportees

"At Sea at Present Bound 'Nowhere' Says Hapless of the Hapless Lot.

New York, Mar. 18.—An unsigned telegram from Moscow, stating that the Soviet Government had refused admittance to six men deported from this port February 29, was made public here today by Isaac Shatz, who acted as their attorney. The message added that the deportees were "at sea at present, bound nowhere."

The six were among 87 persons ordered deported to Russia on the steamship Zealand, which conveyed them to England where they were taken aboard another ship bound to Libau by way of the Baltic.

Flays Foster Party

HON. J. E. M. BAXTER.

Leader of the Opposition in the New Brunswick Legislature, who reviewed the Government work in a speech in the House yesterday. See page 7.

GERMANS AND POLES CLASH IN U. SILESIA

Several Killed in Fights Between Rival Nations in Disputed Territory.

ARMED FORCES ARE RALLYING ON FRONTIER

Germans Appeal to Inter-Allied Committee for Protection Against Bands.

Berlin, March 18.—Reports of isolated clashes in a number of Upper Silesian districts have caused the German Government to protest to the inter-Allied Committee in Opheln, against the revival of what it terms "Polish terrorism."

In official quarters, it was declared today that several outrages were committed in the Zybkow district in the last few days, houses having been burned, one man murdered and others beaten, but that news of the incidents had not been made public here in the "fear that it would adversely affect the tide of German voters pouring into the plebiscite zone."

Not Made Public. For this reason the contents of the Government's note of protest, which cited specific instances, has not been made public.

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DOVER MAN IS MURDER GUILTY

Killed His Wife and Mother-in-Law With Rifle in Their Home.

Dover, Maine, March 18.—Edward Lapointe was found guilty tonight of the murder of his wife, Gladys, and mother, Mrs. Albert Higgins, at Sebec on July 30, 1920. The jury was out an hour and three-quarters. No testimony was presented by the defence. The two women were killed by shots from a rifle at Mrs. Higgins' home, to which Mrs. Lapointe had gone to live. The only witnesses to the shooting were her two children, both less than four years old. A confession alleged to have been made by Lapointe to a deputy sheriff, was excluded from the trial.

Professor Complains Of Oxford Salaries

No Increase in Pay Since 1880 He Tells the House of Commons.

London, Mar. 18.—Sitting until three o'clock in the morning the House of Commons read the coal control bill for the third time today. The House also discussed the proposed £200,000 bonuses for civil servants. An incident of this debate was the bitter complaint of Professor Oman, member for Oxford University, that salaries in the University had not been increased since 1880.

Mrs. Perry Wants Murderer Found

Yarmouth, N. S., March 18.—"It is rather hard that they have suspected me, for this suggestion to my mind, is ridiculous," said Mrs. Clara Perry, widow of Captain George H. Perry, who was murdered at the threshold of his home, in an interview with a newspaper correspondent today. Mrs. Perry brought up the subject herself, and she talked quite frankly about the crime. She voiced a strong determination to assist the authorities in every way possible to bring the murderer to justice.

Bandits Robbed Union Cashiers

Detroit, March 18.—Three armed bandits this afternoon held up two women employees of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way employees and railway shop laborers and escaped with \$6,000 in cash. The holdup occurred in front of the Brotherhood headquarters here.

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SINN FEINER M. P.'S LEADING DUBLIN RAIDS

Three Irishmen Who Are Members of House of Commons Named by Crown.

FIFTY ATTACKS ON TROOPS SINCE JANUARY

Limerick Council Declines Sympathy of Crown for Shooting of Mayor.

Dublin, March 18.—An official statement issued from Dublin Castle this afternoon, charges Cassola Bruges, Richard Mulcahy and Michael Collins with responsibility for the organization and control of attacks on forces of the Crown in Dublin. The three are Sinn Fein members of the British parliament and thus far succeeded in evading arrest. Attention is called to the economic loss due to imposition of the curfew order, necessitated by attacks which it declares are only "slightly successful."

Fifty Dublin Outrages. Since January 1, according to the Castle announcement, there have been fifty attacks in Dublin in which one soldier was killed and twenty soldiers were wounded; four policemen killed and eight wounded and seven civilians including women and children, killed, and forty wounded. It is suggested that citizens take the opportunity to influence their elected representatives to cause Bruges, Mulcahy and Collins to cease their attacks.

Attacks on Police. Throughout Ireland during the week ending March 14, the statement says, seven policemen were killed and ten wounded; eight members of the military forces were wounded and seven civilians suspected of giving information to the police, were murdered. These figures do not include the former mayor of Limerick, whose death at the hands of assassins is being investigated. There have been ten terminations. The house of Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, near Macroom was burned today. It is supposed this was done by Sinn Feiners who suspected that she gave information to the police.

Declines Sympathy. Limerick, March 18.—The corporation of Limerick, in response to letters of sympathy from the commander of military headquarters and the divisional commissioner of the Royal Irish Constabulary in Limerick, has sent letters, signed by every member of the corporation, declining to accept the extended sympathy, and charging the killing of the mayor and the former mayor to Crown forces. The letters also accuse the police and military of negligence, saying they could have traced the perpetrators of the crimes.

No Spring Strikes Likely in Toronto

Everything Will be Satisfactory Unless There is a Wholesale Cutting of Wages.

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