

Capt Brice in Le Journal calls "a paper guerrilla war" by the Germans against the allies' terms.

The editorial writers, however, agree in the opinion that the Germans, after protesting in all the keys of the scale, will eventually sign, also, says Figaro, they will sign only under compulsion and with the determination of evading their engagements at the first opportunity.

"Perinax" writes in much the same strain in the Echo de Paris, but Premier Clemenceau's course in referring Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau to the second paragraph of the first article of the league of nations covenant in reply to the German delegates' complaint that Germany had not been invited to join the league of nations, moves Saint Brice to remark that the Germans soon found their weak spot. The premier's reply, says the writer, is a clever parry, but only a parry. He shows how the contradiction alleged by the German plenipotentiary may cease to exist, but he does not deny that actually does exist, and Saint Brice thinks that the German answer to this will not be long in coming.

The Gaulois, in an editorial along similar lines, questions the wisdom of the conference in having incorporated the league covenant in the peace treaty.

Sent More Notes. The German delegation at Versailles, in further notes transmitted Saturday night proposed changes in the clauses of the peace treaty covering labor problems, and asks that prisoners of war be returned immediately after the signing of the preliminaries.

The notes suggest the holding of a joint labor convention at Versailles for consideration of the points raised. Satisfaction is expressed with the labor clauses in general, but it is pointed out that they cover principles already embodied in Germany, and that they do not go far enough.

The Germans suggest that the labor agreement be considered at the proposed conference along the lines of the conclusions of the labor conference of July, 1917.

The notes relating to prisoners criticize the clause dealing with the return of prisoners of war and asks that they be returned immediately after the signing of the preliminaries and that adequate supplies of food and clothing be guaranteed them. It is considered in peace conference circles that the treaty as it stands provides amply for the prisoners.

The notes have not yet been considered by the council of four, but will be taken up tomorrow.

Additional suggestions from the German peace mission were submitted today in sealed envelopes to the French foreign office. The foreign office alone is cognizant of the nature of the documents.

NO STREET CARS RUN IN WINDSOR Efforts by Ottawa Representative Fail - Sightseeing Motors to Relieve.

Special to The Toronto World. Windsor, May 11.—After several fruitless efforts to bring the striking street car men and the officials of the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Street Railway together, E. M. G. Quirk representative of the Dominion Labor board, abandoned the task and returned to Ottawa, Saturday. Before leaving, the strikers declare he advised them that they were "entitled" to a substantial wage increase.

Transportation facilities will be arranged by means of large sight-seeing automobiles, and trailers attached to taxicabs, within a day or two unless a settlement of the difficulty is arrived at, according to Alderman England, chairman of the transportation committee of the city council.

Mayor Donnelly, of Sandwich, has already been asked by the street car officials for protection, indicating his intention to start his cars out as soon as a sufficient number of new men can be secured. Advertisements for motormen and conductors are also being used with fair amount of success, the company says.

RUSSIA PROTESTS FINN INDEPENDENCE Paris, May 11.—The Russian commission in Paris, which Prince Lloeff is chairman, has protested to the entente powers against the unconditional recognition of Finland's independence on the ground that Russia's consent must be obtained before Finland can be legally separated from the Russian empire.

The protest states that the commission holds that the action of the various powers in recognizing Finland will not affect Russia's attitude toward Finland and prevent Russia from having an interest in that country safeguarded.

HORSE DRAGS TO DEATH BOY NEAR BLENHEIM Blenheim, Ont., May 11.—Charlie Cole, a 10-year-old adopted boy living at the home of Ed. McEachran on the base line, Harwich, met a tragic death this afternoon, in the presence of Mr. McEachran, when he took a horse from the stable to let it have a "feed" of grass.

Boy-like, he tied the halter to his waist. The horse became frightened and ran up and down the road a considerable distance before stopped by a neighbor, with the dead body of the boy still attached to the halter. His mother died from influenza last winter. The father is an employe of the Gas Company, Chatham, and formerly lived here. The boy was a general favorite and highly thought of by McEachran.

HALF-WAY HOUSE TO DEMOBILIZATION

General Currie Predicts Record Sailings During Next Two Months. END IS IN SIGHT

Canadians Are Being Repatriated on Increasingly Rapid Scale.

Canadian Associated Press Cable London, May 9.—General Currie, speaking to the Canadian Press, expressed his confidence that not many Canadian soldiers would remain on this side after the middle of July.

"We hope to break all records this month by at least 10,000," he said. "If we get 55,000 away in May and 50,000 in June, there will not be many left in June. We have already the bugbear of strikes to contend with. I should like to say how well disciplined Canadians have remained. Since the armistice our men have been a long way from home, and a long time from their families. They came simply to do a job. They have done it. They have also accepted the provisions made for demobilization in a very good spirit. I think many people in Canada will take a different view of what has been done in the way of rapid demobilization when the full facts are appreciated."

More Than Half. From official sources the Canadian press also learns that up to May 7 more than half the Canadian troops which were in France and England at the date of the armistice have been repatriated. The total number returned to Canada is 144,115, including 14,822 officers and other ranks of the 3rd division, and 13,088 officers and other ranks of the first division. A portion of the balance, made up by 3,211 officers and other ranks from corps troops including corps of heavy artillery, Canadian Light Horse, Cyclist Battalion, engineers, survey section and aircraft and searchlight company and two or three stationary and general hospitals. The remainder is accounted for by long service men, practically all of whom have seen service in France, married men who have sailed with their dependents, and a large number of men returned in hospital ships. Figures of sailing since the date of the armistice, our official informant adds, show Canadians have been repatriated on an increasing scale and are as follows:

November, 5,023; December, 15,841; January, 21,128; February, 21,035; March, 40,613; April, 23,315. April figures show a decrease, owing first to labor troubles at ports, followed by unusually prolonged Easter holidays. These difficulties, however, have now passed, and figures for May show over 40,000 sailed in first week. The first units of the second division, totaling upwards of 5,000, are expected to sail on the Olympic Saturday. This opening of the St. Lawrence should expedite matters, and in any case the half-way house to complete demobilization has been more than reached, and by the end of this month the task of repatriation of 217,439 Canadians who were overseas at the time of the armistice should be well within sight.

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NANSEN FAILS TO ELICIT A REPLY FROM LENINE Paris, May 11.—Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, head of the commission to feed Russia, has returned from Christiania without receiving a reply from the messenger sent to Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier at Moscow, to communicate the entente's plan for feeding Russia on neutral ground, on condition that the Bolsheviks cease fighting.

The Russian commission in Paris, embracing representatives of the various anti-Bolshevik governments and headed by Prince Lloeff, has sent to the entente powers and the United States a formal protest against the plan, saying that it would be a recognition of the right of the Bolsheviks to expand Russian government funds.

Special to The Toronto World. Ottawa, May 11.—Sir Edward Kemp, overseas minister of militia and defence, arrived at midnight from Montreal accompanied by his private secretary and his aide, Major MacDonald. Sir Edward is looking exceedingly well and talked freely with The World reporter who met him at the Union Station.

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Referring to the criticism of Argyle House, Sir Edward said, "I hope the people of Canada are taking this war seriously and are paying no attention to this abuse of the noble men who are handling the demobilization program in England and on the continent. For the moment I will add nothing to what I said at Halifax but I will be heard from when I resume my seat in the house."

NEW ALTITUDE RECORD. Paris, May 11.—Sud-Lesbain, a French aviator, yesterday established what is believed to be a new height record for a monoplane by climbing 26,900 feet. He was accompanied by a representative of the French Aero Club.

SEAPLANES READY FOR LONG FLIGHT

Will Start the Moment Conditions Are Favorable and Not Wait for Companion.

Trepassey, Nfld., May 11.—With the navy's transatlantic flight guardships at their ocean stations and the big seaplanes NC-1 and NC-3 declared after inspection to have been unharmed by their long trip from Rockaway Beach, N. Y., indications tonight were that the planes will start on their 1,240 mile "hoop" for the Azores at the first instant Commander John H. Towers decides the weather is favorable.

Preparations are virtually completed, and it is believed the aviators will not sacrifice a favorable opportunity by waiting for the delay of NC-4. The airman held a closed conference after examining the planes today, but the decisions reached were not announced.

The NC-1 was refueled after her propellers had been shifted and minor repairs effected. The motors on both planes are in excellent condition. The crews are rested and eager for the trip.

Seaplanes Arrive. The NC-1, piloted by Lieut.-Commander P. N. L. Bellinger, swooped down into the harbor at 6.41 p.m., Greenwich time, Saturday evening, having made the flight in six hours and 54 minutes at an average speed of 65 nautical or 74 land miles an hour.

The NC-3, piloted by Commander John H. Towers, commander of the flight, arrived at 10.31 p.m. Greenwich time, having been compelled to put back to Halifax for propeller repairs after flying 50 miles from that harbor. Its flying time on the successful trip was 6 hours 55 minutes, or two minutes more than that of the NC-1.

Officers expressed satisfaction with the result of the long coastal flight here, for although four times driven from their course by eddying winds, such as are expected in mid-ocean, they were enabled by their navigating apparatus to correct errors within two minutes.

BRITISH DIRIGIBLE TO CROSS ATLANTIC

Atlantic City, N. J., May 11.—Official word that the R-33, one of the new type British dirigibles, is to make a trans-Atlantic flight within the next three weeks, was given here today at a luncheon in honor of Brig.-Gen. D. Charlton, a British air attaché. He was the guest of the Pan-American Aeronautic convention.

"It is intended to send a dirigible across to this coast this month, or if something unforeseen occurs, as early as possible next month," Gen. Charlton said. "As to the actual return, I have strong hopes it will be Atlantic City."

MASTER OF VOICE BUT NOT OF LEGS

Von Rantzau's Health Given As Reason for Delivery of Speech Sitting. Paris, May 11.—Count Brockdorff-Rantzau's will was strong enough to enable him to deliver his speech on behalf of Germany to the allies at the Versailles peace congress Wednesday, but he feared collapse if he stood.

This is on the authority of his secretary, who has been clipping and translating comments of the English papers, and is waiting for the count for remaining seated when speaking. To these comments the head of the German delegation has been giving considerable attention, and is reported to be very satisfied with the handling of the coal, according to Mr. Hanna's statement, can be delivered in a ton, and a large coal firm is congenial to the proposition.

SIR EDWARD KEMP IS BACK AT OTTAWA

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YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS COD, WET SPRING AFFECTS FARMERS

Less Than Fifty Per Cent. of Land Seeded and Grass Backward.

Not in a generation have the farm conditions at this time of the year, all thru York county, and for that matter all over the province been so backward as right now. Reports locally, and from points widespread, all agree that with May nearly half gone, and less than 50 per cent. of the land seeded, the outlook is not rosy. Fall wheat which early in the spring looked wonderfully thrifty and luxuriant has gone back during the last and excessive rains have brought this about. But fine warm weather now for the next two weeks would work wonders.

Out thru Scarborough, and on some of the low lands in Markham township, not a bushel of grain has been sown, tho as a rule seeding is about half done with an odd man finished, but this year is the exception, Saturday's heavy downpour, and Sunday's lighter rainfall will stop all work on the low lands that are maintained for the next three or four days. Grass lands are especially backward, and drovers from all parts of the province agree that there is nothing much to come and go on yet.

But while the season is backward, it is not unique, and old residents declare that with fine warm weather from now on there may be a late bumper crop.

EARLS COURT NEW LIBRARY PHASES.

Considerable satisfaction is expressed in Earls Court at the decision of the board of control to erect a new public library for this district. Local authorities have striven to secure this much-needed library for many years, but it has only been thru constant public pressure brought to bear on the city hall that at last the wishes of the public have been acceded to. More books are borrowed from the present small library by children and grown-ups than in any other part of the city, for its size. The building is not even a weathered shell, and its inconvenience has been experienced by borrowers and library assistants alike thru the inadequate premises. The building was originally used as the First Methodist Church, until replaced by the present brick church presided over by Rev. Peter Bryce.

The cost of the new library will approximate \$40,000. St. John's Ambulance Cadet Corps of Silverthorn, 43 strong, attended Prospect Park Memorial Day, Sunday in connection with Mothers' Day. The pastor, Rev. H. J. Oke, preached an appropriate sermon. All the boys wore flowers in their uniforms, and were in charge of Capt. R. J. Smith.

DANFORTH RATEPAYERS COMBINE WITH COAL DEALERS

The Danforth Ratepayers' Association executive committee has decided to discuss the coal question at their meeting in Danforth School, Logan avenue, tomorrow evening. According to Albert Hanna, secretary, the committee will propose a co-operative scheme with the coal merchants to adopt an efficiency system that will eliminate some of the overhead expenses and to adjust the rate of charges according to distance, and also dispense with the double payment of the coal, according to Mr. Hanna's statement, can be delivered in a ton, and a large coal firm is congenial to the proposition.

AURORA FAREWELL BANQUET.

Citizens of Aurora, tendered a farewell banquet to R. S. Morphy in the Methodist church yesterday. Mayor W. H. Bassett acted as chairman. Mayor F. Fleury made an address on behalf of the citizens, and the guest of honor was presented with a watch. Anne Lea, vice, the presentation being made by Miss Dot. Mr. Morphy was manager of the local branch of the Bank of Montreal, and was transferred to the branch at Walkerville.

EAST TORONTO REV. DONALD MACINTYRE BIDS PEOPLE FAREWELL

Rev. Donald MacIntyre preached his farewell sermon at Calvary Baptist Church, corner of East Gerrard street and Danforth, yesterday. The building at both services was packed with capacity congregations, who extended their hearty congratulations of affection to the pastor and regret for his departure.

Rev. Donald MacIntyre, who has served the parish for the past 5 1/2 years, accepted the call to Ingersoll Baptist Church, and is leaving to take up his new pastorate. His successor at Calvary Church is not yet called.

KEW BEACH OTTAWA MINISTER PREACHES.

Rev. G. W. Anderson, M.A., of Ottawa, was the preacher at the morning and evening services in Kew Beach Presbyterian Church yesterday, which was well attended on each occasion, despite the inclement weather.

WOULD HAVE RETAIL CLERKS FORM UNION

Retail clerks who are interested in the formation of a union to better their condition are invited to send their names and addresses to W. Brown the Labor Temple, who intends calling a meeting.

ARMY BLANKETS

Just received, a consignment of Army Blankets. They are the heavy grey kind; some have red, others black stripes, and are in good condition. Selling at \$3.25 and \$3.50 each. Will express to out-of-town customers on receipt of marked cheque.

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RIVERDALE CAPTAIN BRACE LEAVES FOR CHINESE Y. M. C. A.

Captain (Rev.) A. J. Brace and family recently left the city for China, where he will take charge of the Y.M.C.A. work at Chantu, the headquarters of the Methodist Mission in the far east. Captain Brace, who is a brother of Rev. A. P. Brace, pastor East Gerrard Street Methodist Church, has had a varied experience. Two years ago he went from China to France with a Chinese labor battalion, and afterwards came to Toronto as secretary in the military department of the Y.M.C.A. at the Exhibition Camp, in which capacity he served one year.

Prior to leaving Toronto Captain Brace was presented with a serviceable travelling outfit, and Mrs. Brace was made the recipient of a handsome banquet by the Y.M.C.A. staff at the Exhibition Camp. He will attend the British Columbia Methodist Conference at New Westminster en route for Victoria, where his family will board the Empress of Russia for their distant home.

MANCHESTER UNITY, I. O. O. F. The inaugural meeting and election of officers in connection with the premiere of the Manchester Unity, I. O. O. F. was held in Masonic Hall, East Gerrard street, yesterday.

The following were the officers elected: W. J. Ball, president; F. G. Copley, secretary; F. G. Copley, secretary-treasurer; Bro. Langham, recording secretary; Bro. Alexander Lodge, twenty-seven candidates were welcomed and 20 proposals for membership were received.

MOTHERS' DAY. Mothers' Day was observed with special solemnity at the Danforth Methodist Church yesterday.

Rev. A. P. Brace, pastor, delivered appropriate addresses to the mothers, both services, and the choir rendered special music. The pupils of the Sunday school contributed the handsome amount of \$10 to the British Empire Fund.

On behalf of the congregation the pastor welcomed the mothers. C.E.F., 29 Blackburn street, recently returned from overseas.

SPOKE TO MOTHERS. Mothers' Day was observed in many churches thruout the east end yesterday, and despite the inclement weather, good attendances were reported at all services.

In Danforth Methodist Church, Rev. J. R. Real, assistant pastor, preached both morning and evening. Rev. R. J. Simpson officiated at the Sunday school anniversary services in Elm Street Church.

Rev. A. I. Terryberry, pastor, officiated at both services in Hope Methodist Church, Danforth. Rev. J. R. Rhodes, Avenue Presbyterian Church was crowded at the evening service, when Rev. H. A. Berles, minister, delivered an inspiring sermon to mothers.

Rev. O. C. Elliott, pastor, Danforth Baptist Church, preached at the morning and evening services, and Rev. Dr. Graham, pastor, First Avenue Baptist Church, delivered an appropriate sermon to the mothers and children at the Sunday school service.

THOROLY ENJOYED IT. Pte. Otho C. Elliott, Canadian Expeditionary Siberian Force, arrived from overseas at his father's residence, 29 Browning avenue, Saturday evening.

Pte. Elliott is the eldest son of Rev. O. C. Elliott, pastor Danforth Baptist Church. He described Vladivostok as a modern city of 100,000 inhabitants, and stated that the men thoroly enjoyed their Siberian experience.

MOTLEY PATCHWORK SATS OBSERVER. British Sunday Paper Prints Scathing Arraignment of the Treaty. London, May 11.—The most influential Sunday newspaper published here, The Sunday Observer, which after the armistice denounced the blockade as promoting Bolshevism, today prints a strong denunciation of the peace treaty, written by J. L. Garvin, its editor.

"These terms," says the article, "give no fundamental solution of any European problem. They revolve in the vicious virulence of the old diplomacy; they repeat the fatal precedents which have always led back to war and made the end of one struggle the direct cause of another."

"There will be quarrels, conspiracies, agitations, assassinations, revolutions and collapses. The motley patchwork which has been stitched together will have to be picked up thruout, thread by thread. The English speaking democracies, above all, never will mobilize and fight again for the arrangements which are proposed. If the contrary is imagined in Paris, then Paris is grievously mistaken, and will be only enforced by continuing militarism. He says it creates impossible boundaries for Russia, makes it to the joint interest of the Germans and Russians to combine against the Poles, and creates a vendetta of the German-Austrians against Italy. The only solution, the writer adds, will be a revision of the treaty by the league of nations."

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NEARLY REBENCHMARKED FORCED ON BELGIUM

Army Will Be Cut and Relief Payments Will Have to Be Considerably Reduced. Brussels, May 11.—Belgium will be compelled to retrench drastically in expenditures because of the peace terms, Premier Delacroix declared to the cabinet yesterday in setting forth the financial situation of the country as revealed by the peace stipulations.

The premier said that aside from 2,500,000 francs granted Belgium as a priority payment she would receive nothing at present and as the country was without resources of its own, and foreign loans were obtainable only on onerous terms it would be necessary to cut expenses all around immediately.

The army, the premier stated, would be reduced to 100,000 men, various military liabilities abroad would be discontinued and relief payments which still cost the country 30,000,000 francs monthly would be considerably reduced.

NOT SO CONFIDENT IN THE FULL MOON

Has Lost Much of Its Promise to Bring Good Flying Conditions. St. John's, Nfld., May 11.—A considerable area of depression, thirds of the way across the Atlantic, reported in meteorological advices today, was declared to hold well for continuing the postponement of the overseas flight of Harry G. Hawker and Frederick P. Raynham, the British aviators here, for two days longer at least. Also the full moon of May 14, up to now heralded as "virtually certain to bring good flying conditions" was tonight said to have lost much of its promise.

Col. John Cyril Porte's Handley-Page flying boat, which will compete in the transatlantic flight for the London Daily Mail's \$50,000 prize, arrived at Harbor Grace, Newfoundland's narrow gauge railroad was given a severe test by the cases containing the machine. There were 103 cases weighing nearly a ton each. Mechanics went to Harbor Grace last night to prepare shelter at the airport there, and Vice-Admiral Kerr and others of the winged crew will follow tomorrow, it was announced.

The Handley-Page flying boat probably will use its four engines to rise by thrust. The English population, in reserve against possible failure of one of the others during the trip.

Hawker tonight received the wireless transmitting gear with a range of 100 miles which he has been expecting from England, but is undecided whether he will use it. He has abandoned the idea of using the throat transmitting telephone apparatus he obtained recently, he said.

INFLUENZA DECREASES INDIAN POPULATION

In the Port Arthur District Two Hundred Deaths Are Reported Among the Red Men. Port Arthur, Ont., May 11.—The inroads of influenza on the Indian population of the district are revealed in a statement by Indian Agent Brown, showing a recent decrease of 200 in a former total population of 4,800. While the epidemic was raging members of several families were all taken sick and 200 were reported to have died. Available to summon aid as nobody was nearby.

Many of the women and children have lost their supporters and every hand has a number of aged widows and orphans. The agent stated that it is difficult to get aid to them when they are most needed.

WEARILY WAITING.

A policeman patrolling his beat in the early hours of the morning saw a suspicious-looking man loitering about outside a house. For some time he watched, and then determined to make inquiries. "Here you," he said, advancing suddenly, "why are you hanging about this house?" The loafer turned his weary eyes on the questioner as he replied, "I'm only waiting for the lady inside to get to sleep, constable. She's my wife."