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THOUSANDS OF U. S. PLANTS PROTEST AGAINST CLOSING AS ORDERED BY ADMINISTRATION

Govt. To Purchase All Coal Consigned For Industries Ordered Closed—400,000 Will Drop Work at Chicago—New England Hard Hit.

Washington, Jan. 17.—A movement for suspension of Fuel Administrator Garfield's order until after its necessity is established by investigation was set afoot today in the Senate. A resolution to that purpose was prepared by Senator Gallinger, Republican leader, after conference with other Republican leaders.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Chairman Reid of the senate committee investigating coal attempted to halt Fuel Administrator Garfield before the committee today to explain his order, but the committee decided against it.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Protests against the fuel administrator's order closing down industrial plants began pouring into the White House and Congress today from all over the country. Businessmen everywhere, aroused at the prospect, objected to its enforcement and suggested many other remedies.

It developed today that under the fuel administrator's plan the Government will buy all coal consigned to the suspended industries. These transactions will be conducted through the treasury department, and it is estimated will cost about \$25,000,000 to the Government. The plan also provides that the coal to feed plants and other industries permitted to run. Daily newspapers from Monday, January 21 to March 25, inclusive. On "war" days they will run "for the nation" and on "peace" days they will run "for the world." A newspaper does not customarily issue any edition at all on such a holiday. It may issue one edition on these specified Mondays.

The order will not include natural gas, nor use of wood as fuel, nor power derived from water. It is said that the exception of necessary war industries from the operation of the order might be more liberal than first announcements indicated.

8,857 AFFECTED AT CHICAGO. Chicago, Jan. 17.—Nearly 400,000 workers in the Chicago industrial district, it was estimated today by statisticians, are affected by the order of the national fuel administrator, operative for five days, commencing tomorrow. This number will be largely augmented on the Monday by employees of stores, theatres and other business concerns. The number of manufacturing plants in the Chicago district which will shut down in compliance with the order to conserve coal is approximately 100,000, most of which are in the city. Outside of the Chicago district, it is estimated more than 3,000 plants, employing approximately 100,000 men throughout the state will be closed by the order.

AFFECTS AMMUNITION. Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 17.—Production of ammunition for the Government will be seriously affected by the fuel administrator's order, officials said today. At the most seriously affected will be the United States Cartridge Company, which, it is claimed, turns out two million pieces of small arms ammunition daily, while the Newton Manufacturing Company, making time fuses for big shells, and the International Company, making small arms ammunition, also hard hit. More than 50,000 workers, including those of five large cotton mills, will be affected, employers say.

CLOSES TEXTILE MILLS. Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 17.—The closing order wrought consternation among mill officials in this city today. Lawrence and nearby places, about 100,000 operatives are employed, most of them in big textile mills filling Government orders. It is estimated that the daily pay roll amounts to nearly \$125,000.

THE WEATHER. LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock, last night: Highest, 17; lowest, zero. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 20; lowest, 13.

TOMORROW—COLDER. Toronto, Jan. 17.—8 a.m. Forecast—Fresh southwest winds, cold, with light local snow.

Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures for the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations. High. Low. Weather. Victoria 16 6 Clear. Vancouver 16 12 Clear. Port Arthur 16 12 Clear. Winnipeg 16 12 Clear. Calgary 16 12 Clear. Edmonton 16 12 Clear. Saskatoon 16 12 Clear. Regina 16 12 Clear. Winnipeg 16 12 Clear. Port Arthur 16 12 Clear. Vancouver 16 12 Clear. Victoria 16 6 Clear.

Weather Notes. The eastern storm has passed to the Atlantic. A shallow area of low pressure now covers the Great Lakes, while in the western provinces the barometer is high and the temperature quite low. Light snow is falling in many parts of Ontario.

WILL CANADA FOLLOW LEAD OF GARFIELD?

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—It was authoritatively stated by a minister of the crown today that the new situation created by the closing down of United States industries has not yet been considered by the war cabinet. It is altogether likely, however, that it will be before that body at a meeting to be held this afternoon.

There is a somewhat general impression at the capital that, in view of the fact that Canada is largely dependent upon the United States for coal supplies, the Government will probably have to show an equally strong disposition to conserve the supply. This could only be done by the issuance of a similar order in regard to the Canadian industries.

Should there be a suspension of operation of Canadian factories, however, it would doubtless be for a period subsequent to those fixed in Mr. Garfield's order.

PITCHED BATTLE ROCKS ODESSA

Ukrainians and Bolsheviks Engage in Heavy Street Fighting.

London, Jan. 17.—A pitched battle has occurred in the streets of Odessa between Ukrainian and Bolshevik troops, according to a dispatch received from Petrograd and forwarded by Reuters. The fighting was reported to have taken place in the city of Odessa, which is a theatre building, and have posted machine guns in nearby streets. The fighting was reported to have taken place in the city of Odessa, which is a theatre building, and have posted machine guns in nearby streets.

RELIEF IS IN SIGHT; 30 CARS OF COAL ARE ON WAY TO LONDON

Special Train en Route to City Will Break Back of Local Famine, Is Belief, But the Shippers Bar Dealers From Supplying Any to Theatres or Places of Amusement.

NO COAL FOR THEATRES. One of the stipulations imposed on the dealers who will benefit by the coal shipment is that they are not to supply coal to theatres or other places of amusement. This is one of the company's representatives by the dealers will mean cancellation of all further shipments.

A solid train of coal—20 hopper cars, meaning a total of between 1,300 and 1,400 tons—is on its way to London. It will reach here late tonight or early tomorrow morning, and the coal will be available for distribution some time tomorrow afternoon, it is expected.

This announcement, made today by W. A. Martin, district representative of the D. L. and W. Coal Company, who secured the big shipment, is one of the most welcome since the coal situation here became acute.

I am getting this solid train shipment to relieve the situation here," said Mr. Martin to The Advertiser. "With present conditions, single car shipments are delayed in transit, and it is useless trying to 'drizzle along' with one or two car lots. Our vice-president in Buffalo kindly consented to let London have the coal, and it's on its way."

Breaks Famine's Back. If the 400-ton shipment contained to the five local D. L. and W. dealers, it is divided into half-ton lots, it means 2,000 tons of coal for the city. It is more than a quarter of that number, and it would mean that the shipment will effectively break the back of the coal shortage.

It was discovered today by General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the utilities commission that some owners of electric signs using hydro had them turned on last evening.

He had one of his men check them, and today he notified them that all signs must be turned out.

The London Electric Light and Power Company, which has notified its customers that signs must be turned out, and the Helena Costume Company has informed its customers to the same effect.

It is expected that the city will be almost entirely dark this evening.

MUST CONSERVE LIGHTS.—Coal, gas and electric light have been conserved in the local camps and heads of departments and officers commanding units are urged, owing to the shortage, to take great care in the use of these commodities, in camp orders.

Just To Show There Is No Deception the Professor Is Again Going To Swallow the Sword.



500 WOMEN OF BRANTFORD STORM FUEL OFFICE IN VAIN; CITY MAY SEIZE FOUR CARS

Evening Hours of Theatres and Restaurants To Be Curtailed To Appease Public Sentiment.

Brantford, Jan. 17.—Five hundred women stormed the civic fuel distributing office this morning, but nothing could be done for them. There are four cars of coal on the railways here destined for other places than Brantford, they being stalled with broken axles, and if Mr. MacBride has his power this will be requisitioned. The civic fuel advisory committee has recommended the curtailment of the evening hours of theatres and restaurants, as being luxuries, such action being necessary also to appease public sentiment. The committee has ordered all coal dealers to furnish the names of customers who have secured coal, with a view to more even distribution.

Unconfirmed Dispatch Says Romanoffs Are Free Again.

London, Jan. 17.—Nicholas Romanoff, the former emperor, and his family have escaped from their prison near Tobolsk, it is reported in Petrograd, according to a Reuters dispatch from the Russian capital. The report, the dispatch adds, lacks confirmation.

The executive committee of the Congress of Peasants' Deputies, on January 13, adopted a resolution urging that the former emperor be brought to Kronstadt or Petrograd. A dispatch from Amsterdam on Tuesday reported that German papers had said that the former emperor had become insane and was confined in a sanatorium at Tobolsk. Her condition was reported to be hopeless.

The city of London has a total of \$2,860,000 in unsold debentures at the present time, not including the local improvement issue of last year, and possibly a few other issues. At the end of 1917, however, that was the amount of the unsold debentures in the city.

Of the unsold issues \$1,711,500 will have to be disposed of this year, to meet short-term loans expiring. Some years ago the city borrowed \$1,362,000, and these loans expire this year.

In 1919, on February 1, a loan of \$288,000 falls due. This money was also borrowed on debentures, amounting to \$288,000. In five years' time, another short-term note comes due to the amount of \$100,000. To meet this, \$74,618 in debentures were hypothecated. This latter does not include two issues sold last year to the citizens. On \$100,000 in debentures, \$35,000 was secured from the citizens, and on another occasion \$8,000 was obtained on an issue of a like amount.

Included in the unsold debentures are \$230,000 of London and Port Stanley bonds. They run for 40 years, at 8 per cent, and it will be quite difficult to get a market for them at anything like par.

The majority of the other issues are for 30 years. Mayor Somerville has a problem in financing this year, and if he gets out of it without a loss he will have accomplished wonders.

UTILITIES TO ORGANIZE. Will Name Chairman at Meeting This Afternoon.

The utilities commission will meet this afternoon, the first meeting of the year. It is stated that Philip Pocock will be re-elected chairman for the year. This would be his seventh year as chairman. He was also chairman for part of the year when the late Chairman McMahon died.

F. G. Mitchell will probably be offered the chairmanship of the parks and recreation department. He does not care for the place. T. W. McFarland will probably have it.

SUB CREWS SLAY OFFICERS IN NEW OUTBREAK AT KIEL; THIRD MUTINY WITHIN YEAR

HUNS REJECT RUSS TERMS

Berlin, Jan. 17.—(Via London).—An official statement issued today giving the reply by the Central Powers to the Russian proposals at Brest-Litovsk on Monday says the Russian proposals concerning the regions occupied by Central Powers diverse to such a degree from the views of the Central Powers that in their present form they are unacceptable.

The statement declares, do not intend incorporating the territories now occupied by them into their respective countries.

The Central Powers agreed, it is added, that a vote of the peoples on broad lines be sanctioned on the basis of citizenship, but it was declared that a referendum appeared to be impracticable. The Central Powers think that a vote on a wide basis taken from the electors and supplemented by a representative body would suffice.

Desiring to reach an understanding with Russia, the statement declares the Central Powers make the foregoing far-reaching proposals, which represent the most extreme limits within which they still hope to reach a peaceful understanding.

The Austrians and Germans, says the statement, don't intend to compel the territories in dispute to accept this or that form of state, but they reserve the right to demand that the peoples of the occupied territories be a free hand for the conclusion of treaties of every kind.

Withdrawal of the Austrian and German troops from the occupied territories, while the war lasts, is impossible, the statement says.

THE WAR SITUATION

Though German newspapers report a resumption of the peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk, official confirmation is lacking. The result of the conferences in Berlin also is uncertain. Both military and non-military newspapers in Germany claim victory for their respective groups, and nothing official probably will be forthcoming until Chancellor or von Hertling makes his statement before the Reichstag main committee on Friday. It is assumed that the hurried meetings of military and political leaders in Berlin did not result in any definite change of peace policy.

Planning Western Drive. In some quarters in Germany it is believed the crown councils had more to do with plans for a new offensive on the western front. German newspapers have heralded a strong attack on this front, and it has been declared the Germans had brought more than 1,000,000 men to France from the eastern front.

In Russia the Bolshevik Government is faced with the question of the carrying out of a threat of war made against Rumania, should the Bolshevik ultimatum not be answered satisfactorily. Premier Lenin has demanded that the Rumanians release Bolsheviks now under arrest, with alternative of rupture of relations and war. The ultimatum was given 24 hours in which to make a satisfactory reply.

Situation at Petrograd. Opening of the Constituent Assembly has been put off from time to time by the Bolsheviks since the elections resulted unfavorably to the Lenin Government. The Constituent Assembly is in the hands of social revolutionists, whose leader announced that the assembly, if convened, will appeal for an inter-valled conference to discuss on the basis of the statements of Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson.

Military Operations. On the western front are confined to the usual raids and artillery duels. East of the Brest and on the Lower Pave the Italians have captured Austro-German attempts to recapture the positions lost Monday.

British merchant shipping losses show a marked decrease from the two previous weeks. Submarine losses accounted for six vessels of more than 1,600 tons, and two of less than 1,000 tons, in the reports of both January 9 and January 2.

FOUR BURNED TO DEATH. Philadelphia, Jan. 17.—A man and three young women, three being members of one family, were incinerated today in a fire which swept a tenement in the Italian quarter. One of the girls sacrificed her life in an attempt to save the others.

The victims were all trapped on an upper floor, including a child, and a crisp before firemen could reach them.

TERRIBLE CONDITIONS EXIST IN THE INDUSTRIAL TOWNS OF GERMANY

Amsterdam, Jan. 17.—Chancellor von Hertling made his first appearance as a member of the Prussian cabinet in the Prussian Upper House on Tuesday to support the housing bill. He said the conditions which had grown up around the large German towns and industrial centres were such as might fill the members of the House with serious anxiety, real pain and occasional sorrow. Not only had the maintenance of repairs to houses been impeded and the increase of housing facilities become almost impossible, but the Government desires to provide homes for returning soldiers which would be adequate and healthy.

Dr. Dernburg, speaking on the same bill, said that the conditions in the large towns were terrible and must be abolished. The decline in the number of births had been very great.

Swiss Report Fresh Clash Between U-Boat Crews and Their Leaders at German Naval Base—Increasing Toll of Pirates Taken By Allied Fleets Drives German Sailors To Rebellious Acts.

London, Jan. 17.—A mutiny among submarine crews at the German naval base of Kiel on January 7 is reported in an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Geneva. Thirty-eight officers are said to have been killed.

The Geneva dispatch quotes advices received there from Basel giving details concerning the mutiny. It is said to have been begun by submarine crews, and subsequently to have spread to portions of the crews of cruisers stationed at Kiel.

Some of the men who joined in the attack on the officers took part in the earlier mutiny at Kiel, the dispatch reports. It adds: "Although the mutiny was local, it shows that German naval men are dissatisfied, especially in the submarine service, as the number of boats returning to German ports is decreasing every month."

There have been various reports in the last few months of mutinies and outbreaks in the German navy and also in the Austrian navy. Confirmation was given by the German Government of reports of a mutiny among warship crews at Kiel in September. The men on board several capital ships were involved, and a number of officers were said to have been killed. Unwillingness of the men to do duty on submarines was given as one of the reasons for the outbreak.

A mutiny at Ostend among German sailors who refused to go on board submarines in submergence was reported in a dispatch from London. Patches received in Washington in October reported that Austrian navy, and clashes between Austrian sailors and crews of the German submarines at Pola, in which officers on both sides were killed.

TORONTO HOTEL FIRE FORCES GUESTS OUT IN NIGHT CLOTHES

Mice and Matches Start Blaze in the Gladstone House.

Toronto, Jan. 17.—Seventy-five guests and boarders in the Gladstone Hotel, Queen's street west, were forced to flee to the street in their night clothes at 5 a.m. today when a fire, probably caused by mice and matches, was discovered in the basement in the rear of the hotel.

Scores of people, aroused from their sleep by the heavy, suffocating smoke, had to grope their way through corridors and stairways to escape. The fire, which broke out in the basement, spread to the fourth, third and first floors by the firemen. Several escaped to the street by using the fire escapes, while twenty people were brought downstairs in the elevator by Stanley County, aged 20, returned soldier, who lived in the hotel. The fire was extinguished with a loss of about \$1,000.

HANSELMAN'S NOT GUILTY OF TREASON

Hamilton, Jan. 17.—After being out two hours and a half, the jury in the Hanselman case this afternoon acquitted the prisoner on the treason charge. The jury found him guilty of practicing fraud and deception against His Majesty. In view of the fact that he had been found guilty of treason, the jury recommended the judge to be lenient.

A request from prisoner's counsel for a stated case was refused. His lordship recommended Hanselman until January 28 for sentence, and said his lawyer could at the meantime apply to a higher court for a stated case. If he desired, the judge said he would take note of the recommendation for leniency.

Hanselman was charged with tampering with shells.

DOMINION INSPECTOR AFTER 758 DEFAULTERS

This Number Have Failed to Respond in Montreal.

Montreal, Jan. 16.—Inspector J. J. Beaulieu of the Dominion police, who has been on duty in police work in Montreal, today began the work of organizing for the enforcement of the military service act in this military district. The office of Registrar Gedin is the Drummond Building. There are 758 men who have been called to the colors and have failed to respond.

LIFE FOR LEHMANN. Wauson, Ohio, Jan. 17.—Life imprisonment in the Ohio Penitentiary for the murder of his wife, on the morning of last September 16, Grace Lehmann was found murdered in her bed. Love of the wife for a boyhood companion was the motive for the murder.