

## News of the Week

TUESDAY, FEB. 19.

The Germans have resumed operations against the Russians and have crossed the Dwina River without fighting.

Despatches from Petrograd report the Bolsheviks everywhere winning the civil wars.

Two attempts were made by the Germans yesterday to recapture the salient near Butte du Mesnil, in the Champagne, lost to the French last week, without success. They suffered heavy losses and left some prisoners in the hands of the Allies.

France's total expenditure during 1917 was 44,847,000,000 francs.

Forty thousand Teuton prisoners are said to be starving in Petrograd.

The Boston Evening Record was purchased by a syndicate of which the head is L. C. Page.

The Canadian Railway War Board has ordered that freight shall move by the shortest routes, and indirect routing be done away with where it still has existed.

W. F. O'Connor, Cost of Living Commissioner, reporting on bakers' profits in Canada, finds these not excessive, and says he finds no present evidence of unfair dealing.

Canada's trade for ten months ending June 31 totaled \$2,229,693,275.

Senator Humbert was arrested in Paris, as a sequel to the Bolo trial.

The shipyard strike was ended by the personnel intervention of President Wilson.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20.

In Russia, Premier Lenine and Foreign Minister Trotsky of the Bolshevik Government announced that the Council of People's Commissioners is now "forced to sign a peace" as dictated by the delegates of the Central powers to the Conference at Brest-Litovsk, a development that has been expected by all outside of the Russian pacifists (or worse) since the negotiations were broken off.

Sixteen enemy planes were winged by the British on Sunday.

Krylenko, commander-in-chief of the Bolsheviks threatens to offer every possible resistance to the advancing foe unless the German soldiers can be persuaded to cease their advances and enter into conferences with the Russians with a cessation of hostilities in view.

British airplanes have dropped many tons of bombs on Zebrugge and other Belgian ports held by the Germans, and have continued their raids in rear of the German land forces. Many German planes are being brought down, and for the present the British airmen are having all the best of the fighting.

The British Engineers voted strongly against the man-power proposals.

Only 7 per cent. of the food shipments from U. S. to the allies last year was lost.

Draft treaties between Great Britain and the United States and between Canada and the United States were signed at Washington.

THURSDAY, FEB. 21.

General Allenby has made an advance on a fifteen-mile front to a depth of two miles east of Jerusalem; German troops are continuing their procession in Russia. Raiding is proceeding on a large scale on the West front.

The first battle-planes built in the United States are on their way to France five months ahead of schedule.

In Palestine the British forces continue to meet with success.

The Russian forces are still retreating before the Germans.

In Lorraine the French executed a raid, taking at least 400 prisoners and demolishing many trenches. Vienna claims that an Italian attack on the Northern front has been repulsed.

It is planned to draft 100,000 monthly in the United States.

More outbreaks against the Jews in Russia were reported.

The British air raiders did considerable damage to the German town of Treves.

FRIDAY, FEB. 22.

German forces continue their triumph and march through Russia.

Raiding and great aerial activity are still the chief items of importance reported from the West front. The British are bringing down an enormous number of German planes, and are bombing military depots, railway stations and airdromes almost at will. They are also paying numerous visits to German cities and towns, one of which, Thionville, they have bombed every day for the last four days.

At St. Etienne, France, a nest of German spies has been discovered. It is said that it has led to the uncovering of carefully laid plans to bring about strikes and riots at the moment when the Germans started an attack in force against the French.

Startling army uniform cloth frauds were unearthed in New York.

The Germans are busily acquiring control of powerful Austrian newspapers.

Fire of a suspicious origin broke out on a transport at an American port.

Col. C. A. Repington, British military writer, and H. A. Gwynne, editor of The London Morning Post, were each fined £100 and costs for publishing an article in violation of the military censorship.

SATURDAY, FEB. 23.

The Allied aviators from Italy are reported to have recently crossed the Julian Alps and attacked Innsbruck, capital of the Austrian province of Tyrol doing much damage.

General Allenby's forces have entered Jericho and have taken possession of some high ground along the Jordan River.

The Russian armies continue to retreat before the German invaders while the Bolsheviks talk about fighting Germany to the death.

Capt. Scot and nine of the crew of the steamer Acadian, formerly the Senlac of Halifax, were lost when the ship was wrecked off the Newfoundland coast; six men were saved.

The British Columbia Government will take over and complete the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, the company paying \$1,000,000.

"The Parasite", by Arthur Mee, is banned by the Secretary of State, possession of a copy rendering the holder liable to a fine of not over \$5,000 or five years' imprisonment.

All exemptions granted under the Military Service Act in Montreal District are to be reviewed by Registrar Godin.

The railways have replied to the Government appealing against the petition for nationalization and urging increases of rates.

The meatless days in the United States have so far effected a great saving.

The British forces under General Allenby took the historic city of Jericho.

A permanent Army Ordnance Corps for Australia was urged by the Royal Commission.

A Pay Adjustment Officer is to be attached to each district pay office to help returned soldiers, and their dependents to obtain prompt adjustment of difficulties relating to pay or allowances.

MONDAY, FEB. 25.

Str. Flonzel is wrecked on the Newfoundland coast with crew and passengers of 150 all lost.

An official statement on operations in East Africa says: The main German force, dislodged from the Lujenda Valley, Portuguese Nyassaland, moved south toward the upper Lurio River, thence eastward along and north of the Lurio, followed by the British. "In the coastal area," continues the statement, "our column is approaching Meaya, which is held by detachments from the enemy force located southwest of Port Amelia."

The Turkish forces dislodged by the British by the capture of Jericho have retired to the north and east, the War Office announces.

Bolsheviks accept humiliating annexationist peace terms from the Germans who meanwhile capture towns and prisoners.

The socialists of the Entente lands fix war aims which are practically identical with those of British labor.

The soldier vote gives the Government eight seats, five in N. S., one in Ontario, one in B. C. and one in Alberta.

## CARRIAGE FACTORIES, LTD.

Carriage Factories, Limited, reports a deficit for the year ending 1917, amounting to \$10,149 compared with a balance of \$4,144 in 1916, and \$225,202 in 1915. After providing \$27,000 for depreciation, the total profits for the year from subsidiaries, including rents, etc., amounted to \$24,666 compared with \$46,334 in 1916, and \$209,263 in 1915. Deductions included \$16,195 for head office expenses and discount on bonds, while bond interest called for \$28,620, leaving a deficit for the year of \$10,149. As the previous balance amounted to \$315,978, the total profit and loss surplus at the end of the year amounted to \$305,830, compared with \$215,978 in 1916, and \$311,833 in 1915, after deducting \$40,557 in the latter year for war taxes.

An excess of current assets over current liabilities is shown of \$738,504 compared with \$808,339 in 1916.

The balance sheet shows loans slightly higher at \$1,175,476 compared with \$1,122,455 a year ago. Accounts payable show a reduction of \$65,537. In the assets, inventories are higher by \$47,450, but accounts receivable show a decline to \$871,379 from \$945,689.

The shareholders are without profit as compared with earnings in 1915 equal to 22 p.c. on the preferred stock, and 15.3 p.c. on the common issue.

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A SESSION OF THE COURT OF KING'S BENCH (Crown Side), holding criminal jurisdiction in and for the DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, will be held in the COURT HOUSE, in the CITY OF MONTREAL, on FRIDAY, the FIRST DAY OF MARCH NEXT, at TEN o'clock in the forenoon.

In consequence, I give PUBLIC NOTICE to all who intend to proceed against any prisoners now in the Common Jail of the said District, and all others, that they must be present then and there; and I also give notice to all Justices of the Peace, Coroners and Peace Officers, in and for the said District, that they must be present then and there with their Records, Rolls, Indictments and other Documents, in order to do those things which belong to them in their respective capacities.

P. M. DURAND,

Deputy-Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office,

Montreal, 10th. February, 1918.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, No. 1853. Superior Court.—Dames Georgiana Fortin, of the City of Lachine, said District, wife common as to property of David Monette, contractor of the same place, duly authorized, Plaintiff vs. The said David Monette, Defendant.—An action in separation as to property, has been taken in this case on the 14th of January, 1918.

Montreal, January 18, 1918.

BERARD &amp; SON—Attorneys for Plaintiff.

## BANK OF MONTREAL

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of TWO-AND-ONE-HALF Per Cent., upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Institution, has been declared for the current quarter, payable on and after Friday, the FIRST DAY OF MARCH next to shareholders of record of 31st January, 1918.

By order of the Board.

FREDERICK WILLIAMS-TAYLOR,

General Manager.

Montreal, 19th October, 1917.

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