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Odessa Captured by Ukrainian Bolsheviks, it is Announced

Allies Compelled, by Superior Pressure, to Withdraw to New Line of Defence—French Squadron Sails For the Black Sea—New Soviet Government in Bavaria Fails to Meet With General Support and May Fall—German Government Troops Are Marching on Essen.

BERLIN QUIET TODAY, BUT UNDER STRONG MILITARY GUARD

BERLIN, April 9.—At this morning's session of the Soviet Congress, the Independent Socialists presented two resolutions extending greetings to the Bavarian and Hungarian Soviet republics. There was a lively discussion especially regarding Bavaria. The Independent Socialists wanted the congress to express a hope that the Bavarian proletariat might overcome opposition and that the rest of Germany may follow its example. The motion was postponed after an unfavorable discussion and the greeting to Hungary was accepted in spite of recent threatening predictions. Berlin was quiet today, being strongly patrolled by government troops with artillery. Wilhelms-Strasse was commanded by machine guns from the chancellery. No strikes were reported up till noon. Spartacan leaders at Hamburg are plotting to proclaim a Soviet republic in that city, according to the Zeitung Am Mittag, which calls upon Gustav Noske, minister of war, to send troops there to prevent this action.

GEN. HUMBERT MAY COMMAND ALLIED TROOPS IN CENTRAL EUROPE

PARIS, April 9.—The paper, Leclaire, understands that General Humbert, former commander of the French 3rd army will be appointed commander of the Allied troops in Central Europe.

GENERAL STRIKE DETERMINED UPON

ROME, April 9.—The council of the general confederation

CITY SHOULD BANQUET RETURNED SOLDIERS

Board of Trade Members Suggest Employment of Industrial Commissioner for Belleville—Demobilization of Second Battalion.

The Board of Trade last evening decided to recommend the city council to make arrangements to give a civic banquet not later than June 3rd to the returned soldiers. Mr. W. B. Deacon said towns and cities were banqueting the returned men and Belleville should be in line with a big municipal banquet. More Belleville men enlisted than residents of any city for its size in Canada. The welcome should be a grand one. The Board of Trade and other organizations in the city will co-operate.

The recommendation to the council was moved by Mr. W. B. Deacon, seconded by Ald. W. B. Riggs.

Highway Route

Ald. Riggs brought up the question of the route of the Provincial Highway through East Belleville. He favored Bridge street. Ex-Ald. J. O. St. Charles said Bridge street residents were able to pay for their pavement, whereas Dundas street would not be. Dundas street should be the route of the Provincial Highway, which the municipality must build. Bridge street residents had petitioned for a paved roadway several years ago. This petition was still in the clerk's hands and could be acted on. Ald. Riggs thought the Board of Trade might suggest the route but no action was taken.

Demobilization of 2nd Battalion

Col. Ponton declared it was a shame if Belleville did not become the demobilization centre of the 2nd Battalion. This district has sent nearly 4,000 men and yet not one has been demobilized here. Mr. J. Elliott moved, seconded by Ald. Riggs that telegrams be sent Wednesday morning to Mr. E. Guss Porter, M.P., urging him again to use all his influence to see if Belleville cannot be made the centre at which this unit will be demobilized.

of labor has decided upon a general strike to last twenty-five hours to begin on Thursday at 6 a.m.

No recent news have come out of Italy to indicate the reason for the strike demonstrations, such as that which the Rome despatch reports.

"MEGANTIC" ARRIVES WITH 2,000 MORE SOLDIERS

HALIFAX, April 9.—The "Megantic" with two thousand returning Canadian soldiers came up to the harbor in the teeth of a 25-knot wind this morning and made several attempts to dock but was unable to do so. She will remain at anchor in the stream until the wind moderates. The men are being brought ashore in a lighter.

NEW GOVT. IN BAVARIA NOT MEETING WITH GENERAL SUPPORT

MUNICH, April 9.—With another 24-hours behind it the Bavarian Soviet government appears less able to impose itself upon the country and the general political situation has become more involved and threatening than ever. Not only has the support of the old government taken concrete form in North Bavaria but the breach among the Social Democrats in South Bavaria has widened, until Majority Socialists, Independent Socialists and Communists are not at all united.

GERMAN TROOPS MARCHING ON ESSEN

COPENHAGEN, April 9.—German government troops are marching on Essen where a collision has occurred between the strikers and the Christian workers' organization, members of which desire to remain at their employment. The strikers have occupied the Krupp munition plant the message adds.

ALLIES HAVE EVACUATED ODESSA

PARIS, April 9.—The evacuation of the Black Sea port of Odessa by Allied forces is confirmed officially. A despatch on Tuesday night said that a wireless message received here from Moscow reported the capture of Odessa by Ukrainian Soviet troops on Sunday. The Paris Matin said that the evacuation of Odessa by the Allies was imminent as Bolshevik pressure was increasing. The paper said that the Allied forces probably would be withdrawn ultimately to a line of defence west and south of Odessa.

GERMANY MAY APPEAL TO ALLIES TO MAINTAIN ORDER

PARIS, April 9.—At the latest session of the German cabinet council, the government considered the eventuality of making an appeal to the Allied armies to maintain order in Germany in the interest of the whole of Europe, the Zurich correspondent of Le Journal reports.

PARIS, April 9.—There is much apprehension in peace conference circles as to effect the establishment of a Soviet government at Munich may have on the conclusion of peace. As the Munich government appears, from press despatches to be well satisfied, peace delegates are considering the eventual necessity of negotiating two peace treaties with Germany, one with Berlin and the other with Munich.

DISORDERS ON MURMAN COAST PLANNED BY BOLSHÉVIK FINNS

LONDON, April 9.—Disorders on the Murmansk front in Russia were planned by Finnish troops and Bolshevik Finns, according to an official statement issued at the war office, which states that they are not considered of political significance.

GERMANY WILL KNOW WHAT SHE MUST PAY

PARIS, April.—The preliminary peace treaty will require Germany to make an immediate indemnity payment on account of twenty-five billion francs in cash and raw material, according to The Echo de Paris. The treaty it declares, will not leave uncertain the total amount which Germany is to pay, as that amount will be written into the document.

STRIKE CALLED BY CAN. EXPRESS CO. EMPLOYEES

MONTREAL, April 9.—President Pullen of the Canadian Express Company has issued a notice declining to accept packages that might not be delivered before tomorrow night owing to the fact that the strike for higher wages and shorter hours has been called for tomorrow night, pending an adjustment by the Railway War Board.

SIDNEY DREW, ACTOR, DIED TODAY

NEW YORK, April 9.—Sidney Drew, the well known legitimate and moving picture actor died at his home here this morning, aged 64, from nephritis. He was taken ill in Detroit last week.

30 Months in Hun Coal Mine

Pte. Harry McDonald Surprises His Friends—Other Arrivals from England

Private Harry McDonald, son of Mr. William McDonald, McDonald Ave., arrived home yesterday afternoon to the great surprise of his friends, no notice of his coming having been received. Harry is one of Belleville's young men who has seen war from many angles, first as a participant and then as a prisoner of war in a German coal mine. Harry enlisted in 1915 with the 5th C.M.R. and went to the front with the 4th C.M.R. It was at the battle of Ypres on June 2nd, 1918 he was taken prisoner, having been slightly wounded. In that battle the Mounted Rifles had 750 casualties. He spent twelve days in Cologne hospital and was then removed to Steudal and afterwards to Merseburg, Saxony, where he was sent into the coal mines.

"We were getting out coal for them for two years and a half and then they could not win" said the soldier.

Life in a German coal mine was not very attractive. Pte. McDonald states that the prisoners were sent down at 5.30 in the morning and came up at 6.15 in the evening. They did not get up to the surface at midday. That was the grind they underwent, scarcely ever seeing daylight. There were 830 prisoners in the mines, Russians, French, etc., there being only 15 English-speaking. The food was exceedingly poor. "We practically depended on parcels from home and from our friends," said Mr. McDonald who asked the newspaper man to express his thanks to the public for sending parcels to the prisoners.

Pte. McDonald did not see much of the German civilian. The German soldier who had been to the front treated the prisoners a little better than these Hunns who had not yet seen to the front.

After thirty months in the German mines, Pte. McDonald was glad to hear of the armistice signing. He left Germany on Dec. 23rd and has been in England and Scotland for some months.

In spite of the hardships he is looking hale and hearty. He says the Canadians stood up well in the mines. The other prisoners did not get along so well.

Ald. Chas. Hanna met Pte. McDonald and the other soldiers who returned yesterday. They were:

Sapper F. J. Carre, of 276 Albert street, who enlisted with the 155th battalion and was transferred to the Canadian Engineers.

Pte. Robt. Hunter, who enlisted with a unit from Camp Borden and has served two and a half years in France is stopping at 51 Station St.

Sergeant H. Holton of 277 1/2 Front street who went over with the 155th battalion and has been serving with the 2nd battalion.

Corp. L. Sullivan, 22 Colborne St who enlisted in the 155th battalion and has been serving in the Second Battalion.

Pte. George Collins of 124 Chatham street who has been serving for over three years in the R.C.E.A. and judging from the remarks of his comrades on board the troop train they were very sorry to part with him. He had a host of friends to welcome him home.

Obituary

STEPHEN S. HENDERSON

The death occurred on Sunday, April 8th of Stephen S. Henderson, of Hallowell at the great age of 82 years. He was born on the farm where he died. He enjoyed good health all his life. Surviving are his widow, one son, John S. Henderson, street foreman of this city and one daughter, Mrs. Jinks of Prince Edward. The funeral of the late Mr. Henderson took place yesterday at Orser's burying ground. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson had been married sixty-two years.

A PROPHECY FULFILLED

German cannon are being melted up to make farm tools. That comes near enough fulfilling the Biblical prophecy.

Mr. Milton Scott is visiting the parental home on South Charles St. after an absence of several months with the American army forces at Syracuse, N.Y.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE MINERALS OF HASTINGS

Mr. Peter Kirkgaard's Plan to Attract Attention of Investment World.

Mr. Peter Kirkgaard, who has been engaged in mining in Hastings for about twenty-two years, read the following paper at the Mining Section of the Hastings Development Council on Monday evening. It is a copy of a communication to Mr. E. Guss Porter, K.C., M.P. for West Hastings:

"My many years' connection with mining in Hastings County has convinced me that our latest mineral resources warrant very serious attention from our leading men of the County. I am also well aware that many abortive attempts have been made at opening up a number of these mineral deposits, and that these failures have given a bad odor to mining in Hastings, but this I believe can be overcome if taken hold of along rational lines, if supported by our business men and by various councils throughout the County.

Home Not Liable.

Government support is all right if the "powers that be" can be interested, but nothing can be done without money, and to prevail upon the Government to give bonuses or in other ways assist mining financially, I am afraid is hopeless, even with the hearty support of your good self and other members of parliament.

To raise money which will be needed for surveys, reports, write-ups, printing and distribution of reports, etc., etc., and to handle such matters right it will require a central organization with an able man at the head to handle it, and he will need assistants.

Mr. Kirkgaard's Plan

The Association should enroll all the reeves of the County, every one of them should become members; out of these men should be appointed an executive committee of say five, selecting the ablest and most progressive, and these five members should be paid at least their travelling expenses.

A full meeting of all the members, "the reeves," should be called at Belleville; all the business men not only of Belleville but from all over the County should be invited to attend. At this meeting propose that a syndicate be formed and incorporated, capital \$250,000 for the purpose of developing any and all of Hastings' natural resources, not only mining, but improvement in agriculture, foresting, development of our water powers, good roads, etc., etc.

Each reeve should be asked to lay before his council the following plan for raising money:

Interest Farmers

Propose that every farmer or owner of land becoming a subscriber to shares in Hastings or Eastern Ontario Development Syndicate to the extent of one share, per value \$1.00 for very 100 acres he owns per annum for 5 years. A pamphlet should be got up setting out and explaining the purpose of this syndicate, so that the reeve can talk intelligently to his council men, and such pamphlet should be mailed to every farmer in the County, explaining that the object of this syndicate is to draw public attention to our resources, that the subscribers to syndicate shares should not expect any direct returns from their contribution to this syndicate, but that the benefit will be indirect, that the Ontario and Ottawa Government be asked to supplement this dollar for dollar.

Benefits to be Derived

For illustration I will just refer to mining; the benefits derived: Mineral is found on A's farm through the effort of the activities of the syndicate. Capital is interested in it; he sells his mineral right, thereby getting a sum of money he would not be likely to get otherwise, or even suspect that there was mineral on his land; therefore enriched without efforts on his part, and still hold his farm, same as before; this fund leads to finding other deposits on his

neighbor's farm and so forth, and independent of all, the fact of mining being carried on in the neighborhood enhances the value of his farm product.

Mining is far reaching in its beneficial effect on any community. It leads to large expenditure of money brought in from outside, it gives employment to many men, large payrolls are distributed locally, food is needed for these men, and what can be bought locally adds that much more to money in circulation.

Employ Experts

The syndicate formed and money in treasury, an able man should be engaged, a man of broad business experience, and he jointly with the executive committee be vested with authority to engage expert prospectors, under the guidance of competent geologists including in the organization, land surveyor, and hydraulic engineer, etc.

This may at first glance seem an ambitious scheme, but I do not hesitate to state that our dormant mineral deposits alone fully warrant such effort by the people of the County and I will go further, very much further by suggesting that such counties as are within the mineral belt be invited to form similar associations and join one main Development Syndicate, to name a few of them, the Counties of Peterboro, Halliburton, Leno and Addington, Renfrew, Leeds, Frontenac, Lanark and others coming within the mineralized zone—enlarge the scope of the organization in keeping therewith even to the extent of making the capitalization \$1,000,000.

A Mining Excursion

This is not a visionary scheme by any means though it may seem so to the layman in mining. In order to awaken the right kind of interest an excursion might be arranged for as many of the reeves and business men generally as could be induced to come, take them to see for themselves what mining means, show them what has been done, which I venture to say would be a revelation to most of them.

In one trip they could be shown Richardson Feldspar Mines, Sydenham Mica Mines, Talc Mining, and Fluorspar Mining near Madoc, DeLoro Mine and Smelter, Cordova Mine, etc., all built up by individual efforts, and enterprise, none of these as far as I know are stock companies in the sense that the capital has been raised by the sale of stock to the general public. They may all be justly called close corporations.

I have drafted a brief outline on Gold Mining, also on the possibilities for arsenic as an aid in agriculture.

You know more or less about my work covering the last score of years, which has resulted in building up first Deloro, later Cordova; these are large enterprises, have required very large amount of capital, amounting to over \$2,000,000. Few realize this.

Hastings will in time be dotted with mines, all it is waiting on is to properly bring before the mining investor what we have here. If Hastings' mineral were located in one of the mining states of the union it would soon become a busy hive, draw in millions of capital, employ thousands of men, produce vast quantities of valuable mineral of many kinds and bring prosperity to the whole community."

Promotion for Local Soldier

Lieut. Thos. E. Hyland, New Captain at Kinnel Camp

Word has been received in Belleville that Lieut. Thos. E. Hyland has been promoted to Captain in command of No. 3 company, 75th battalion, No. 2 Military District, Kinnel Park, North Wales. Captain Hyland went across with the 30th battalion as a sergeant and won his lieutenancy for bravery.

Rev. A. R. Sanderson, of Campbellford, was in the city yesterday.

EDITORS
OF the Estate of Lott, late of the Sidway, in the testaments, deceased.
given, pursuant to the Act of Ontario, all creditors and claimants of the estate of the said who died on or before the 1st day of July, 1913, to file or deliver their claims to the undersigned at Ponton, Bridge Street, for John Orley Scott, Executor. Margaret Jane Orley and all particulars of their claims and the security of the same, duly verified.
TICE that after April 1919, the proceeds of the sale of the said persons entitled to the same shall be paid to them or their heirs, assigns or assigns, as the case may be, and that the said persons shall be liable for the part thereof to persons of which they have had notice.

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