

ALLIES START ADVANCE UPON GERMAN CITIES

Daybreak Was to See Marshal Foch Leading Armies Forward.

THREE BIG CITIES TO BE OCCUPIED

Lloyd George Tells Delegates Plainly That Time for Talk is at End.

Paris, March 7.—The hour for the advance of the Allied troops to occupy Dusseldorf, Duisburg and Elberfeld will be daybreak tomorrow, it was announced today.

Negotiations Collapse London, March 7.—Application of the penalties on Germany for nonfulfillment of her reparations requirements was decided upon by the Allies here this afternoon.

Mr. Lloyd George informed the Germans today that not only were the proposals made by foreign minister Simon this morning unacceptable to the Allies, but that, despite the interval since last week's conference, the Germans had not made such an advance in their proposals as would justify postponement of the imposition of the penalties.

GREENWOOD IS READY TO QUIT TO HELP PEACE

Suggestion Made That All Forces in Ireland Should Have One Leader.

WOULD ELIMINATE CHIEF SECRETARY

Plan Would Make Clear the Issue Between Crown Forces and the Rebels.

London, March 7.—During the course of a debate on Ireland in the House of Commons today several independent Unionists suggested the complete elimination of the chief secretary for Ireland and of Dublin Castle from the Irish administration and the placing of all the Crown forces, including the constabulary, under the sole command of the commander-in-chief in Ireland, so as to make clear the issue between the British Crown and the Irish insurgents.

Sir Hanson Greenwood, the chief secretary for Ireland, admitted that the suggestion had made a great impression upon him, and he promised to recommend it to the consideration of the cabinet. The chief secretary added that he would willingly efface himself if by doing so it would mean the attainment of a higher standard of discipline in Ireland.

Ice Breakers To Start Next Week Montreal Looks for Very Early Opening of Navigation on the St. Lawrence.

Montreal, March 7.—It is stated today in the government signal report that the ice-breakers propose commencing work in the St. Lawrence about a week hence, and reports are that the breaking up of a clear water way will not be a difficult task this year.

Revenue Declines During February

Dominion's Income About \$4,500,000 Less Than for Same Time Year Ago.

Ottawa, Ont., March 7.—The ordinary revenue of Canada for February was \$25,060,612, as compared with \$39,501,393, the ordinary revenue for February, 1920. For the eleven months of the financial year ending February 28, ordinary revenue was \$418,916,180, in comparison with \$27,501,392, the ordinary revenue in the eleven months ending February 28, 1920.

Twenty Years For Violent Robbery

Quebec, March 7.—William Buckley was sentenced this morning by Chief Justice Leachance to twenty years in St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary. He will serve fifteen years for the robbery with violence of Mrs. Jules Papienau, chief of the seasonal clerks at the legislature, who was beaten and robbed on February 21, and five years for breaking into the store of Noel Rousseau and stealing Joseph Campbell, charged with being an accomplice with Buckley in the burglary, was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

No Truth in Story Of Higher Duties

Ottawa, Mar. 7.—Sir Henry Strachan, Finance Minister in the House of Commons this afternoon stated that the information furnished by a New York bank to the Canadian correspondent that the Canadian Government would shortly increase its customs duties by placing an additional thirty per cent on all imports was the first he had heard of the matter. The question of a thirty per cent increase had never been considered, the Minister said.

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SECOND WEEK OF FORD OFFER IN FULL SWING

Ford Touring Car for Contestant Doing Best Work in Three-Week Period.

300,000 EXTRA VOTES FOR \$33 THIS WEEK

Extra Votes Are Big Aid in Winning the Studebaker and Other Valuable Prizes.

Rush calls for more receipt books and other contest supplement tickets that the contestants are settling down to real business in the race for the special Ford Touring Car.

The Ford Touring Car will be given to the contestant who turns in the greatest amount of subscription money this week, next week and last week. The results at the close of last week showed a neck-to-neck race for the special Automobile.

The Ford is an EXTRA prize and all votes secured while working for it will count towards the regular prize. The prizes to be given at the end of the contest, viz., the \$2,950 five-passenger Studebaker, the five-passenger Gray-Dart, the regular prize Ford, the famous Motor Star, T-Tours, and the rest of the regular prizes.

To aid the contestants this week, a bonus vote ballot good for 300,000 EXTRA votes will be given for each and every \$33 worth of business turned in to the contest department by any of the contestants.

AT THE IMPERIAL TODAY.—Vern Gordon in "The North Wind's Malice."

AT THE UNIQUE TODAY — Lew Cody in "The Butterfly Man."

AT THE QUEEN SQUARE TODAY —"The Palace of Darkened Windows" with an all-star cast.

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

Two of the prizes to be given away in "The Standard's big contest" are a Ford Touring Car and a Studebaker with the Universal Film Company, Film-maker's largest and most progressive Moving Picture Company.

LABOR TAKES ANOTHER SEAT

London, March 7.—Another labor gain is reported in the Parliament (Yorkshire West riding) by-election, the result of which announced today.

W. Gillis, Laborite, was elected to the House of Commons by a plurality of 576 votes over the independent Liberal and Coalition Liberal candidates. The seat was previously held by Sydney Arnold (Liberal).

World Demand Is Fixer of Prices

So Declares Hon. T. A. Crerar in Address Before Montreal Canadian Club.

Montreal, March 7.—Speaking at the Canadian Club luncheon here today Hon. T. A. Crerar, chief of cabinet, said the farmers' product was set as price in competition with the entire world, and they believed that the price for the equipment necessary for such production should also be fixed in competition with the world.

Would Stop All Immigration Now

Ottawa, March 7.—Complete suspension of immigration until the return of normal conditions is urged in a resolution to come before the House of Commons of which notice has been given by A. L. Donahue, Champlain, Que.

Block House Chain Around Ulster Area

Thirty Thousand Troops in Forts Two Miles Apart to be New Guard.

London, March 7.—Preparations are in progress for the erection of a chain of military blockhouses to indicate the new boundaries of the Ulster area in Ireland under the Home Rule Act, says a Belfast despatch to the Evening Star today.

Government surveys have commenced in Clones, in North Monaghan County near the Permagh border, the despatch adds. Sites are being marked for a number of new stations for thirty thousand troops in the six county area. The stations will be two miles apart.

NARROWLY ESCAPED DEATH Montreal, March 7.—Following a seizure diagnosed by Drs. Geoffrin and Desroze as congestion of the lungs due to indigestion, which they say, was nearly resulted in death, D. A. Lafontaine K. C. M. P., for Jacques Cartier, and Crown Prosecutor for Montreal district, had so far recovered that he was able to go to Ottawa.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA Premier Meighen tells the Commons that he is in constant touch with London on the German situation.

Railway between Newcastle, N. B., and Tracadie likely to be built this summer.

Twenty years in penitentiary is term given Quebec thief for robbery with violence.

Turret Cape has been severely damaged by ice fields off the Atlantic coast.

THE BRITISH ISLES. Lloyd George tells House of Commons that Allies were compelled to order the advance into Germany.

Two slain in Limerick in reprisals for the death of Brig. Gen. Cumming.

Labor candidate wins in by-election, defeating the Liberal nominee.

EUROPE French regiments have already penetrated into Germany, although real invasion did not begin until dawn today.

Germanians feel much disturbed at the change in the course of events and the Allies decision.

Paris is elated—claiming that the action of the London conference should have been taken months ago.

CANNON FIRE ON PETROGRAD

Soviet Batteries Are Said to be Attacking Rebel Port of Kronstadt in Return.

Helsingfors, Finland, March 7.—The revolutionaries are bombarding Petrograd and Soviet batteries at Sialerog, Revonians and Tarbovka are bombarding Kronstadt, says a despatch from Viborg received here.

March On Petrograd London, Mar. 7.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Helsingfors says that 27,000 men from Kronstadt are marching to Petrograd.

The Soviet officials have sent Chinese and other troops with artillery to meet them. The Soviet troops tried to get in contact with the rebels across the water near the suburb of Wachoo-off but the cruiser Petrovskoi shelled and repulsed them.

The fortress at Krasnaya Gorko, the despatch adds, is participating in the fight, but, owing to the fog, it is not known on which side. It is stated that General Kostovski, the rebel leader, sent an ultimatum Friday ordering all communists to leave Petrograd within three days, failing which the city would be bombarded.

Wages Compel High Railroad Freights

So Declares Hon. Frank Carvell at Hearing Held in Moncton.

Moncton, March 7.—Representatives were asked at this afternoon's meeting of the railway commission in favor of reduced rates for fertilizer for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, as well as reduced freight rates for seed grain and potatoes.

Delegates to the sitting included W. M. Lea, minister of agriculture for Prince Edward Island; Dr. W. M. Cumming, head of the Agricultural College, Truro, and A. Chas. Fawcett, M. J. A. head of the Farmers' Party of the Province of New Brunswick.

Mr. Carvell was the only member of the commission present who expressed sympathy with the views of the delegates present and passed some caustic remarks which regard to the high wages prevailing at present on the railways. Owing to the high standard of pay for employees set down by the McCulloch award, Mr. Carvell said, it was impossible, no matter how one thought about it, to deny the right of the railways to higher freight rates.

"Turret Cape" Is Damaged By Ice

Extensive Repairs at Sydney Essential Before Vessel Can Go to Sea Again.

Sydney, N. S., March 7.—Leaking badly, the steamship Turret Cape, Captain S. McDonald, arrived at Lunenburg at noon today in company with the steamship Sable Island. The Turret Cape, which is under charter to Dominion Steel Company sailed from Lunenburg on Sunday but stove a big hole in her bow by running into a piece of drift ice when several hours out. Extensive repairs will be necessary before she can leave port again.

Protecting Lobsters

Ottawa, March 7.—Andrew Jialloet, naturalist, attached to the department of marine and fisheries, Ottawa, has left for Prince Edward Island, where he will deliver lectures designed to assist in the conservation of the lobster industry.

SENATOR SAYS PROVINCE HAS BEEN INSULTED

Senator Fowler Tells Premier Meighen Appointment of Nova Scotian Wrong.

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To the Editor of the Standard, Sir—Permit me to congratulate you on the splendid stand your paper has taken upon the late senatorial appointment for New Brunswick. There has been no wavering in your attitude and you have been supported in your position by the other N. B. papers supporting the Government in a manner which speaks volumes for the sturdy independence of the Commonwealth of our province. You and your confederates have set a high example that it would be well for the country if Canadian newspapers were to follow.

I first knew of this late disgraceful appointment at 2 p. m. on the day of his introduction to the Chamber. I had seen the Minister for N. B. the Hon. P. G. Mahoney of Miramichi, an old and tried and true friend, one who is conspicuous for all that is best in Canada. I was told that the Minister informed me that Mr. Mahoney, while possessing undoubted claims, was so sick a man that his appointment was that he must have been misinformed as the communications which I had received from Mr. Mahoney did not betray any lack of his accustomed vigor, but that as I was going at once to N. B. to attend court at Dorchester, I would get first-hand information as to his health and report on my return. I added further, as the vacancy had only recently occurred, there was no need for haste in filling it and the matter had better stand until I came back with authentic information as to the latest indisposition of Mr. Mahoney.

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It is rumored, I know not if true, that the gentleman from Amherst was a short time ago a candidate for a vacant Legislative Councillorship in Nova Scotia, but was named by Premier Murray. If this be so, then he who was not worthy to be a legislative councillor for Nova Scotia is quite good enough to be a Senator for New Brunswick. Of course, the Writ produce Scriptural warrant for this. By the way, it is said that a certain applicant for the senatorship was told that he had destroyed his name by his activity in the Self-Determination League for Ireland.

I wonder if the eleventh member for Nova Scotia was criticised along this line before his appointment and how he stood the grill. I would respectfully suggest that if the Government cannot find a man to fill the vacancy in the Senate, the member who succeeded the late Senator McSweeney, he should have at least offered it to Lord Shackleton, who has exactly the same qualification for residence as the junior member for Amherst, and everybody, except perhaps the latter, would admit, would be a higher and nobler representative of his race.

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The confinement of his name as an applicant, the unseemly haste of the appointment and of his swearing in all point to a desire to have the thing done beyond recall as speedily as possible, taking a chance that after a brief explosion things would quiet down and the episode be forgotten.

The powers that be, if they are contenting themselves with any such thought, will eventually get a jolt, unless I greatly mistake the character of my countrymen. The insult offered to the Province of New Brunswick is too flagrant to be soon forgotten, and the next election returns will show whether the people of New Brunswick have short or long memories.

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FATAL ITALIAN RIOTS

Rome, March 7.—Four persons were killed, a dozen wounded and two hundred arrested as the result of a clash between Communists and Fascists, or extreme Nationalists, in Castle Monfrato, says the Tempo today.

The Fascists, who were holding a patriotic demonstration were fired at from a labor office and returned the fire, forcing the Communists to surrender.

GUILTY OF WOUNDING

Montreal, Mar. 7.—Charged with shooting with intent to murder, Nicholas Smith, alias C. J. Mills, of Loran Mass., was today found guilty of wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm. His victim was his friend John J. Carey.

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Canada Watching Allied Invasion

Premier Tells House of Commons He is in Constant Touch With Headquarters.

Ottawa, March 7.—"The Government," announced the Prime Minister in the House this afternoon, "is being kept informed of the proceedings in connection with the difficulties between the Allied Powers and Germany." The Government, Mr. Meighen added, had not received definite information that the Allied forces were marching on Berlin. The Prime Minister made his statement in reply to questions by Dr. Clark, Red Deer.

INVASION WAS FINAL RESORT AGAINST HUNS

Britain Sobered by Prospect of New War With the German People.

LYDD GEORGE BEFORE COMMONS

German Proposals All Vague and Acceptance of Paris Plan Was Not Real.

London, March 7.—The Prime Minister explained the German position to the House of Commons tonight in a speech in which there was no note of jubilation. The majority of British newspapers have taken the line that the most important point involved was that the Allies should stand together, while the French press has freely voiced its fears that Mr. Lloyd George might desert France. All recognized that if M. Briand returned to Paris bearing the burdens of a concession to Germany his premiership was doomed.

Deeply Regrets Action. "We all deeply deplore having to come to this decision in the interest of the peace of the world, and, despite the fact that our action is liable to a good deal of misapprehension in our own countries, we have made an effort to secure a better understanding and it is not for lack of effort and discussion that I have now to announce on behalf of the Allies this failure to come to anything like an approximate understanding with Germany." Must settle issues.

Explaining why the latest proposals of Dr. Simon are inadequate, Mr. Lloyd George said it was essential in the interest of the peace of the world that there should be a definite settlement of outstanding questions between the Allies and Germany, Germany, the Allies and neutrals urged it.

"That is an appeal to common sense," he continued. "It is perfectly true that the exporting of food to an agreement made some six years ago, but that was not a plan which was adopted by any conference of statesmen. We waited each of us to know where we stood."

Acceptance Not Real. The Prime Minister pointed out that Dr. Simon's acceptance of the Paris proposals for five years was apparent, not real. It was subject to conditions which might make it uncertain, which might terminate it in a few weeks. It was subject to the plebiscite in Upper Silesia. If the plebiscite were adverse to Germany she would be justified in saying: "Germany is deprived of territory upon which she depended to pay these debts, and therefore the agreement made at London is at an end."

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Alex. Johnston Back

Ottawa, March 7.—Hon. C. C. Balfour, minister of marine, made the definite announcement this afternoon that Alex. Johnston, former deputy minister of marine, who left the department to take a position in the British Empire Steel Corporation, has decided to return to his old position.

COMMANDER FORTIER DEAD

Amapolis, N. S., March 7.—Commander Richard Loftus Fortier, R.N.R., D.S.O., son of L. M. Fortier, of this town, died late today. He was born in 1852 and served in the navy during the war, in command of a flotilla of mine-sweepers in the North Sea. He returned to Amapolis on December 1st, 1920. Paralysis was the cause of his death. He is survived by his widow and two step-children.

WANTS TRADE COMMISSIONER

New York, March 7.—A strong plea for the appointment of Canadian trade representatives in the United States was made tonight by Colonel J. A. Cooper, director of the Canadian Government office here, speaking at a dinner given in his honor at the Canadian Club by Arthur Kivonius, president of that body. Colonel Cooper is to retire shortly from his present office to become a partner in a Toronto advertising agency.

HON. MR. TOLMIE BACK

Ottawa, March 7.—Hon. S. Y. Tolmie minister of agriculture, who was called to the Pacific coast through the serious illness of his brother, has returned to Ottawa.

RE-CREATE SOLDIER BOARD.

Ottawa, March 7.—It is understood that a resolution recreating the parliamentary committee on soldiers' civil re-establishment will be introduced in the House of Commons Tuesday or Wednesday.

AUTO BURNED THIS MORNING

In a fire that broke out in a barn at 237 Douglas avenue at 4 1/2 this morning the automobile of Mr. C. B. Murdoch, civil engineer, was destroyed as well as most of the interior of the structure. The building was owned by the Hilyard estate. The auto had been away being painted and repaired and had only been brought home yesterday. At 1 1/2 the barn was under control.