

SITUATION IN RUSSIA CRITICAL

The Bolshevik Supremacy is Seriously Threatened.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 24—German parliamentary circles regard the Russian situation as being very critical, according to the Lokal Anzeiger, of Berlin, a copy of which has been received here. The paper says that the latest news from Petrograd shows that Bolshevik supremacy is seriously threatened, and the question now arises as to whether it would be wise to negotiate further with men whom anarchy at any moment may sweep away. The Lokal Anzeiger says that in political circles account is being taken of the possible influence events in Petrograd may have on the negotiations at Brest Litovsk.

DEATH TRAP FOR INDIANS.

PRINCE RUPERT, B. C. Jan. 28—A report from Atlin tells of an unusual tragedy in the neighborhood of that town. A white man seeing prohibition coming, cached a lot of liquor away in his cabin. He soon had reason to suspect that, during his absence, some one had helped himself to the liquor. He put what was left of the whiskey in a new hiding place and a few quarts of wood alcohol in the cabin. One night he returned to find three dead Indians in his cabin. A fourth had barely lived to get outside. They had drunk the poison, believing it to be a brand of whiskey.

The publisher of the best Farmer's papers in the Maritime Provinces in writing to us states: "I would say that I do not know of a medicine that has stood the test of time like MINARD'S LINIMENT. It has been an unfailing remedy in our household ever since I can remember, and has outlived dozens of would-be competitors and imitators."

MOSCOW'S "BLOODY SUNDAY" RIOT.

LONDON, Jan. 26—Among those killed or wounded in the riot at Moscow on Thursday were many women and children. A Reuter despatch from Petrograd. A large procession of Bolsheviks, with machine guns, armored cars, detachments of cavalry armed Red guards and German, Austrian and Turkish prisoners, arrived at midday at Theatre Square, where thousands of spectators had assembled for the celebration of the anniversary of "Bloody Sunday." Two revolver shots were fired. There was a panic, with much wild rifle and machine gun shooting by soldiers and Red guards.

GOVT. OWNERSHIP A GREAT SUCCESS.

OTTAWA, Jan. 28—Important results are likely to follow, the conference between the Dominion War Cabinet and representatives of Labor organizations which will be resumed tomorrow with Hon. N. W. Rowell, chairman of the war cabinet, presiding.

The preliminary conference, which adjourned a week ago Friday last, was not representative of Dominion-wide labor, the provinces of Ontario and Quebec only sending delegates. Tomorrow's gathering will be entirely different in this respect. Labor men will come from all the provinces with suggestions as to the best means of dealing with the problems of labor shortage with which is closely associated the pressing need of increased production if the situation in Great Britain and Allied countries is to be believed.

In Government circles a feeling of optimism prevails as to the delegates with labor Ministers say that at the first conference the labor men left no room for doubt as to their determination and desire to give their support to the war aims of the Government. No doubt is expressed as to the willingness of Canadian workers to follow the example of trades unionism in Great Britain in declaring in view of the continuation of every possible effort to press the war to a victorious conclusion and to accept the situation expressed by Premier Lloyd George when he said: "He must go on or go under."

The resumed conference may last for three days. No official statement has ever been made by the Government, as to the recommendations left with the war cabinet at the conclusion of the first conference, but it is known that among things they asked for the establishment of a system of Government employment bureau, a proposal that also received the support of the representatives of agriculture.

FISHERIES COMMISSION TO GO TO BOSTON.

Will Later Visit Maritime Provinces.

OTTAWA, January 28—The Canadian members of the International Fisheries Commission, which was in conference at Washington, Hon. J. D. Hazen, Chief Justice of New Brunswick; Mr. George J. Desbarats, Deputy Minister of Naval Affairs and Mr. W. A. Found, Superintendent of Fisheries, returned to the capital today. They will proceed almost immediately to Boston, where another conference will be held on Thursday. This week at which it is hoped the fishing interests will be represented. Subsequent sittings will be held at Gloucester the end of this week and at St. John, on Tuesday, February 5th, and others may be held in the Maritime Provinces. It is probable that the Commission will then proceed across the Dominion, holding sittings in the west and on the Pacific coast.

HUN PLANE DASHES 10,000 FEET TO DESTRUCTION IN RAID ON LONDON.

All Three of the Crew of Enemy Machine were Burned to Death.—Battle Over the Sea.—The Attacks on Capital Lasted Five Hours.—General Smuts "Carried on as Bombs Fell.

LONDON, Jan. 29—About fifteen German airplanes, of which four or five reached London, took part in the first of the two raids last night, it is announced officially. Only one of the raiders engaged in the second attack penetrated as far as the city.

One of the raiding aircraft was brought down, falling in flames from a height of ten thousand feet. All three of the crew were burned to death. Indecisive engagement was fought by a British pilot with another raider over the sea. All the British pilots returned safely.

Crossed Essex Coast

The announcement follows:—"The latest information shows that two groups of raiders crossed the Essex coast and one group the Kent coast practically simultaneously at about eight p. m. The two former detachments proceeded towards London on parallel courses across Essex. The capital was approached from the east and northeast shortly after time.

"Of the machines which crossed the Kent coast two dropped bombs on the Isles of Thanet and Sheppey. The remainder crossing the Thames estuary, also approached East London through Essex.

"Apparently about fifteen machines took part in these attacks, of which four or five reached the capital and dropped bombs in various districts between nine and ten p. m.

Lasted Five Hours.

LONDON, Jan. 29—Attacks by enemy airmen on London last night and early today lasted intermittently for nearly five hours, and for two hours there was a heavy and almost continuous gunfire.

The members of the Royal Geographical Society, with many ladies in the large audience, were assembled to hear a speech by Lieutenant-General J. C. Smuts. Sir Thomas Holdich, the president, announced that notice had been received of an air raid and that the police informed him the audience would be safer if they went to the basement of the building. There were loud cries of, "carry on," and the audience remained in the hall.

General Smuts spoke calmly for an hour amid reports of the guns. Afterward Walter Long, colonial secretary, paid a warm tribute to General Smuts and the African Army, which represented all units of the British Empire.

A majority of the theatres went through with their performances with decreased audience, but some were idle because of the failure of actors to arrive on account of the lateness of suburban trains.

The raid was carried out by a considerable number of airplanes, which followed their familiar tactics of attacking in relays. As far as could be seen not more than three or four airplanes broke through the London defences. The invaders were at-

tacked by numbers of British machines.

Were Expecting Raids.

London has been expecting enemy air raids, during the past week of moonlight nights, but nothing had happened, and the residents began to think they would escape altogether, when about eight o'clock the arrival of the unwelcome visitors was announced.

The anti-aircraft guns were soon in action and continued firing intermittently for more than five hours while the populace passed an anxious time indoors or in underground shelters. Great satisfaction was expressed when it was announced officially that one of the raiders had been brought down in Essex.

INVENTORS STRIVE TO HELP WIN THE WAR.

One of the busiest places in the world just now is the United States Patent Office, where thousands of inventors are striving to show the Government just how the war can be won.

Secretary Daniels of the navy has 40,000 separate suggestions along this line and Secretary Baker of the army long since lost count. Some of them are highly interesting.

There was the Ohio man who advised that millions of potato bugs be sprinkled over Germany from aeroplanes. This suggestion is not half so futile as it might seem. Germany got the potato from American and it has been her mainstay in this war. Then why should we not send American potato bugs to destroy the German vines and so starve the foe?

Another man hit upon a method of guarding London against air raids. He advocated that carrying several ounces of high explosives, he suspended above the city by means of strings. The moment that a bold Zeppelin raider or aeronaut ran into this barrage he would set off the explosives and be dashed to pieces. And no one can say that the idea is not logical. It is based upon the same principle as mining a harbor. Who knows that in future wars we may attempt to mine the air? Perhaps this inventive man is a new Archimedes.

FOOD SAVING IN UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25—Greater saving of food will be asked of the American people by President Wilson, tomorrow, in proclamation announcing the food administration's 1918 conservation plan. The critical situation in the allied countries and the amount of food the United States is expected to supply them was set forth in a preliminary statement tonight by food administration, Hoover who quoted a cablegram from Lord Rhondda, the British food controller, which said:—"Unless you are able to send the allies at least 75,000,000 bushels of wheat, over and above what you have exported up to Jan. 1, in addition to the exportable surplus from Canada, I cannot take the responsibility of assuring our people that there will be enough food to winter the war; necessity compels me to cable you in this blunt way."

Mr. Hoover replied to this message "We will export every bushel of grain that the American people save from their normal consumption. We believe our people will not fail to meet the emergency."

GRIST MILLS IN CANADA ALL UNDER LICENSE.

OTTAWA, Jan. 25—An Order-in-Council has been passed requiring that all flour mills, irrespective of capacity, and all mills for the manufacture of any food from wheat, barley, oats, rye, Indian corn, or maize, peas, or buckwheat must obtain a license from the food controller; being brought under license and subject to the food controller's regulations. The profits of these mills will be a maximum average of twenty five cents on the milling of sufficient wheat to make a barrel of 196 pounds.

BRITAIN'S WAR BILL NOW \$6,156,700 EACH DAY

Bonar Law Denies Any Present Intention by Government of Conscripting Wealth.

LONDON, Jan. 28—Britain's average daily war expenses at present are £7,517,000 (about \$36,156,770), Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law told the House of Commons today. The Chancellor of the Exchequer declared the Government at present has no intention of conscripting wealth.

AMERICAN OPINION

The "Wall Street Journal" publishes a leading editorial on what is described as a "flare-up in Western Canada over the agitation for government ownership of all the railways, including the Canadian Pacific."

"Not all of the co-operation socialists, advocates of state socialism and proponents of what is called communalism, from all the farmers, mercantile and lumber associations combined, could transfer the Canadian Pacific Railroad to the Government, even were the Government itself willing," the editorial insists. "They could not do it, but they could not hold it a single instant, as it is known today and at its value to them today, after they got it. Canadian need not go one step beyond their own border to decide whether a government-owned road can maintain its most valuable asset. It is just because it cannot be done that part of the prairie press has for some months past wished to make up the deficits of the government-owned roads by expropriating the Canadian Pacific's current profits. The idea is a chimera. There would

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HE POSSESSED EVERYTHING. The other day a man walked into a barber shop and deposited upon a table a number of articles which he took from a satchel. "This is pomade," he said. "I am well supplied," replied the barber. "This is shaving cream." "I see it is."

CRITICISM BRINGS RESULTS. Brigadiers in Future to Be Chosen From Active Army Officers Hitherto Excluded. LONDON, Jan. 22—The decision of the authorities to appoint brigadier-generals from officers now in the army who hitherto have been excluded from commands, removes one of the most frequent complaints against the imperial staff.

YUKON ELECTION. DAWSON, N. T., Jan. 28—Yukon's deferred election for members of Parliament was held today. Returns now in from all districts except Mayo, Glacier and a few other small outlying districts to date give F. T. Condon opposition candidate, a majority of twelve for the entire territory.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—Messages from Prime Minister Venizelos of Greece to the American Hellenic Society, given out here tonight, declared that "Greece is fighting in conformity with the noble principles so clearly defined and with such a profound conviction by President Wilson in his recent message."

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