

Preventive Measures Taken

O. R. A. Invoked by British Government.

Improvement in Strike---Marine Disaster Caused by Mines---League of Nations Programme Progressing.

SHALL YOU REAP.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 5. The Communist Party, headed by the President of the Chinese Communist Party, has been shot down as he was expected to have made a public speech. The murder, it is expected to have immediate consequences. Richman exercised absolute dictatorship over those living in Russia and re-estimated three coolies living in the region to be tortured and

TURKISH ARRESTS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5. Arrests have been made in the case of leading members of the Turkish Communist Party and the State Department has advised the Turkish Government that the arrests had been made. The Minister of War Enver Pasha, Mehdi Pasha, Mahmud Pasha, former Under Secretary of State and former Chief of the Turkish Intelligence Bureau.

NUMBER LIXENT.

TORONTO, Feb. 5. The number of prisoners in the penitentiary has increased since Judge Winchester's report on the government's failure to pay the salaries of the penitentiary staff. The government has agreed to pay the salaries of the penitentiary staff.

AMERICANS RETREAT.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 5. American troops entered Bremen after heavy fighting and the town hall and the bridge. The Spartacists have been driven out of Bremen.

FOR DEMOBILIZATION.

LONDON, Feb. 5. The four thousand mechanics of the Royal Army Service Corps are to go on duty in depots in London. They claim that the Government has agreed to demobilize them and demand to continue their work until the same pay that civilian work.

OPERATING REPARATION.

PARIS, Feb. 5. The Conference on reparations has resumed and exchanged views on the principles covering reparations for damages caused by the war and based on memoranda which will be presented by the governments of the countries affected.

MONARCHIST DEFEAT.

LISBON, Feb. 2. The monarchist troops, it is announced,

have been defeated in an action at Covilha, southeast of Oporto, near the Spanish frontier, by Republican troops under Lt. Furtis, who are advancing on Guarda to the northeast. The Republican flag now floats over the towns of Covilha and Castello Branco, and the Monarchists are retreating to Regoa where their headquarters have been established. Along the coast the Republicans have occupied Forseca and Araja, and the Monarchists are evacuating Estarreja, south of Oporto. Communication with Lisbon has been restored as far north as Aveiro.

THE DEADLY MINE.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 5. Two ships, a Norwegian fishing steamer and a Swedish steamer have been sunk by mines with a loss of twenty-five lives, according to reports received here. The Norwegian vessel was blown up outside the Norwegian port of Stavanger and eight fishermen were killed. The Swedish vessel sunk was the steamer Sphynx, of 1872 tons. It was on its way from England to Sweden with coal and went down near Coquet Island, off the coast of Scotland, with the loss of seventeen members of its crew.

DISCUSSING WAR RESPONSIBILITY.

BERNE, Tuesday, Feb. 5. The German Majority Socialists, in opposition to the resolution introduced by Albert Thomas calling for investigation of responsibility of the war, introduced a resolution to the effect that the war had been the consequence of imperialist policy during the last decade, but it was the duty of the Socialists to establish the immediate causes. The resolution says that the causes of the war were the Austrian ultimatum to Serbia, the general mobilization in Russia and Germany's declaration of war as a result of Russia's mobilization. The German Socialists declare that the entry of German troops into Belgium was a violation of the rights of peoples which nothing that has occurred since has justified. It was decided during the day that discussions between delegates as to responsibility for the war would not be permitted.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERIES.

LONDON, Feb. 5. The virus of trench fever and those of influenza and of some forms of nephritis have been isolated and identified, according to a report submitted to the director general of the army medical services in France, by a number of army medical officers who have been investigating the causes of these diseases. Investigations which have been conducted have resulted, it is believed, in the isolation of the germs of mumps, measles and typhoid, the causes of which have hitherto been obscure and the bacilli

OF WHICH HAVE NEVER BEEN ISOLATED.

WILL NOT AFFECT TREATIES.

PARIS, Feb. 5. Alliances between the various nations will not be affected by the existence of the society of nations now in process of formation. It was declared by Arthur J. Balfour to newspaper interviewers here last night. The British Foreign Secretary was asked the direct question as to whether the formation of the world society would involve the abrogation of alliances. "The constitution of the League of Nations," responded the Foreign Secretary, "will involve no modification of the treaties of alliance previously concluded."

Military intervention in Russia on a large scale, is not to be thought of, declared Arthur J. Balfour, the British Foreign Secretary, in closing an interview which he granted the newspaper correspondents here last night. The great powers were doing everything they considered could be done, however, he said, in dealing with what he characterized as "a most disquieting situation." As to the general work of the Peace Conference, Mr. Balfour declared the peace-making body was making all possible haste to settle upon the peace terms.

STRONG MEASURES TAKEN.

LONDON, Feb. 5. In order to prevent a strike of power house employees, an order in council was issued to-day under the Defence of the Realm Act making it a summary offense for any employed by the Government, a municipality or a company, which has assumed the duty of supplying electricity, to break his contract of service or otherwise to strike. The penalty is six months' imprisonment or a fine of \$500 or both. It is almost made an offense to persuade men to break such contracts.

ANOTHER ARMISTICE.

BASLE, Feb. 5. An armistice between the Polish and Czechoslovak forces which have been fighting on the Silesian front was signed on Feb. 3rd, according to advices received here. The armistice is effective for seven days and is renewed automatically for the same period unless either party chooses to renounce it. In which event four hours' notice must be given. The opposing troops will retain the positions held on Jan. 22. Diplomatic representatives of both parties are permitted to travel by railroad over territory occupied by troops of the other party.

MAKING PROGRESS.

PARIS, Feb. 5. The preamble and two articles of the constitution of the society of nations were provisionally agreed upon last night by the commission of the Peace Conference appointed to deal with the subject, it was officially announced to-day. Satisfactory progress was made with other parts of the task. The question of adding representatives of other powers to the commission, it was added, is being discussed.

THE STRIKE SITUATION.

LONDON, Feb. 5. There was no improvement to-day in the strike situation, and in London all the tubes and underground lines, with the exception of the metropolitan which, however, has only one line running into the city, were still tied up. The hotels and restaurants were able to replace a few of their servants, still were offering only meagre imitations of their regular meals. To-day will decide whether the strikers will join the strikers. More men returned to work to-day in Glasgow, while the presence of Lord Pirrie, controller of merchant ship-building in Belfast, gives some hope of a settlement there.

A CURT REPLY.

LONDON, Feb. 5. In replying to a letter from J. Bromley, Secretary of the Association of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, seeking permission to put the case of the men in the tube strike before the Cabinet, and threatening, if refused, to extend the strike over the country, Andrew Bonar Law, Government Leader in the House of Commons, wrote: "I have before me the statement of Jan. 30 which was sign-

ed among others by yourself and in which it is laid down in explicit terms that conditions as to an eight hour day as agreed to by the Cabinet had been accepted. In these circumstances there seems to be no room for any misunderstanding, much less a charge of breach of faith. I am sure no useful purpose would be served by my seeing you in regard to it."

DISAPPROVES STRIKES.

LONDON, Feb. 5. The Associated Society of Engineers as evidence of its disapproval of strikes in London, Belfast, and of the Clyde, has suspended the functions of its committees in the three areas affected. The secretaries in the districts have been suspended and will not be permitted to hold office in the society for a certain period. This action, it is declared, is without prejudice to more drastic action being considered by the society.

SUNK BY MINE.

SOUTH SHIELDS, Feb. 5. The British sloop "Penarth" is reported to have been sunk by a mine twenty-three miles off the Tyne River. Two trawlers have picked up four members of the crew.

NOT TO BE RELEASED.

LONDON, Feb. 5. Reports from various sources that the members of the Sinn Fein who had been interned in England were to be released, were set at naught to-day by a statement issued from the office of the Secretary for Ireland. The statement declared that the Sinn Fein prisoners were not to be released "under the present circumstances."

WITHDRAWS OPPOSITION.

PARIS, Feb. 5. M. Tischering, the Foreign Minister in the Russian Soviet government has withdrawn his opposition to the departure from Susa of Edouard Odier, the Swiss Minister and his staff from Russia.

ITALY'S DEBT.

ROME, Feb. 5. Italy's national debt is now more than \$12,500,000,000, whereas, when she entered the war it was about \$2,750,000,000, declared Luigi Luzzatti, former premier and a leading Italian financial authority, in a statement to-day urging financial aid to Italy.

Do You Know That

Snow will not alleviate thirst? Falling snow practically destroys snow? The presence of frost means the absence of fog? Cold weather is the best time for mental workers? Loose clothing is much warmer than tight clothes? The water of a river in winter is several degrees warmer than the air? The best meat to eat in cold weather is mutton, owing to its high heating value? Deep breathing in cold weather, through the nose, will make you appreciably warmer? The cause of chilblains is not the external cold but the poor blood circulation? Nine cubic inches of water make ten cubic inches of ice? And that the increase is because the ice particles fit less closely than the water particles?

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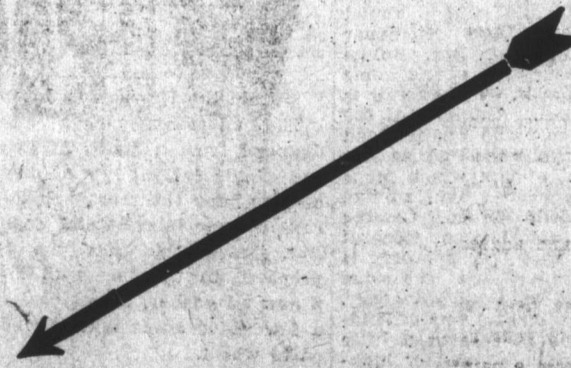
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