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GERMANY ON BRINK OF REVOLUTION

Strikes and Riots Continue Throughout German Empire

215th Battalion Leave Brantford on Monday Next

Premier Borden Honored in City of Manchester Today.

Whole Teuton Empire is Torn by Internal Dissensions

Great Economic and Political Crisis is Faced by German Empire; Populace Grows Restive Under Heel of Despotism and Food Restrictions

Interest in the great French offensive on the Aisne to-day is second only to the startling news from the interior of Germany. Aided though the situation is in the mists of a rigid censorship, and obscured by the shackled condition of the German press, sufficient has leaked through to indicate that the German empire is facing a great economic and political crisis.

The latest information received is that 10,000 striking munition workers have engaged in a bloody riot in the great Prussian fortress town of Magdeburg and were only prevented from burning the city hall after a sharp clash with the military. This story comes from the Dutch frontier, with sufficient detail to make its authenticity impressive. On its heels arrives the account of demands made by the leaders of the Berlin strike, demands of such a revolutionary character, that compliance with them would mean a prompt ending to the militarist regime in the German Empire.

Similar demands have not been voiced publicly in Germany since the imprisonment of Dr. Karl Liebknecht on a charge of treason. It is significant that they include a requisition for the release of all political prisoners, which would include, of course, the noted Socialist leader.

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SCHOOL CHILDREN'S COLLECTION OF WASTE PAPER A BIG SUCCESS

Excellent Results From Campaign Throughout City; Parade Was Very Well Attended

While Kaiser Wilhelm may entertain very little respect for "scraps of paper," the school children of Brantford yesterday demonstrated very clearly that they are not so contented for hundreds of them marched from their respective schools to the market square yesterday afternoon carrying with them papers, magazines, bottles and rubber articles in bundles, in bags, on their wagons, and in every conceivable manner. Mr. H. Howie, chairman, and Mr. J. A. Powell, secretary of the conservation of waste committee of the Thrift League, and Mr. Chris Cook, acting chairman of the Thrift League in the absence of Mr. Frank Cockshutt, assisted by other members of the league and Public School Inspector Mr. E. E. C. Kilmer were on hand to receive the strong deputations from the various schools as they marched up to the Market and deposited their burdens. The response of the business men was not up to expectations, but very few of them marching with the school children as had been planned.

The accumulation center on the Market was located on the vacant space adjacent to the waiting station streets and as the waste was piled up by the children, it was packed into sacks, and placed on the wagons which were in readiness to convey it to the receiving station in Agricultural Park. In all, three full wagon loads were collected in this manner but this was not the full benefit derived from the day, as the children, and through them the parents, of the city have been made more familiar with the intent of the Thrift League, and the celebration of the "clean-up day," is expected to have a potent effect as regards educational value.

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215th TO GO ON MONDAY

Long Expected Instructions Received by the Battalion

The long expected word fixing the date of the departure of the 215th battalion, was received in a letter from the A.A.G., Military Division from the A.A.G., Toronto, yesterday, by Lt. Col. H. E. Snider, notifying him, that the battalion would leave the Grand Trunk depot here by special train at one o'clock on Monday afternoon. He was also requested to forward a statement regarding the strength of the battalion upon embarkation, of officers, non-commissioned officers and men. It is expected that the unit will embark with a strength of three hundred and forty-five or three hundred and fifty. Arrangements are now being made regarding the meals for the men while en route for points east, as they will have a continuous ride of seventy-two hours, without cessation.

Another medical inspection of the battalion will take place at the Armory to-morrow morning at nine o'clock, and will be the final one, before the unit leaves for overseas. The examination will be made by the medical officer, Captain Coates.



Crown Prince: "What are we coming to, father?" Kaiser: "To Waterloo, my son, to Waterloo."

HONORS FOR LOCAL OFFICERS, GEN. ASHTON, LT.-COL. CUTCLIFFE

Brigadier-General Ashton Now Commands 15th Infantry Brigade, Going to Front With Fifth Division; Lt.-Col. Cutcliffe Goes Also With the 125th



BRIG. GEN. ASHTON. Who since going overseas with the 36th Battalion, two years ago, has won promotion to his present rank of Brigadier General.

Ottawa, April 20—Major-General Garnet Hughes, commander of the Fifth Division, has completed the organization of his forces. They are now training as a division in England and will shortly leave for France to join the forces under General Byng. The Fifth Division is composed of the 13th Infantry Brigade, Brigadier-General Swift, Quebec, and the 15th Infantry Brigade, Brigadier-General Ernest Ashton, Brantford. The 13th Infantry Brigade is composed of the 127th Battalion, Col. Pawlette, Moosejaw, Sask.; 134th Battalion, Col. Miller, Toronto; 169th Battalion, Col. Weir, British Columbia; 202nd Battalion, Col. Bowen, Edmonton; 14th Infantry Brigade—125th Battalion, Col. Cutcliffe, Brantford; 156th Battalion, Col. Graham, London; 150th Battalion, Col. Barre, Montreal; 161st Battalion, Col. Coombe, Huron County; 15th Infantry Brigade—194th Battalion, Col. Ings, Prince Edward Island; 119th Battalion, Col. Rolland, Sault Ste. Marie; 185th Battalion, Col. Day, Nova Scotia; 19th Battalion, Col. O'Donahue, Montreal.



LT. COL. CUTCLIFFE, 125th Battalion.

Ten Thousand Strikers Join in Attempt to Burn Town Hall at Magdeburg; German People are Warned Against the Discussion of Food Troubles

London, April 21.—Ten thousand strikers, mostly munition workers, tried to burn the town hall at Magdeburg on Friday, according to a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Oldenzaal, Holland. Soldiers fired on the rioters, killing and wounding many and the town is now in a state of siege.

Amsterdam, via London, April 21.—In the place of the familiar public notice in the German newspapers warning the people not to talk of military matters because of spies, there now appears a new notice which reads: "Citizens, your duty is not to talk of food conditions. Every word thereof helps the enemy and endangers the fatherland." Count von Reventlow, writing in The Tages Zeitung, says that the German statement that there is no attack on the American destroyer Smith, must come as a regrettable assurance of safety to enemy shipping. He regards the purpose of the statement to be to tell Americans that Germany has not opened hostilities, and is not ready to do so. He adds: "Why this fuss, seeing that a state of war has existed for weeks? It looks as though on the grave of German-American peace hope must be planted. That we are not so bad after all, which is hardly sound propaganda."

"GLORIOUS DAY WHEN OLD GLORY ADVANCES WITH UNION JACK"

CASUALTY LIST HEAVY Large Number of Local Men Reported Wounded To-day

The members of the former 84th Battalion, which wintered in Brantford last year continue to feel the brunt of the fighting. Mrs. Emma Brown, 104 Aberdeen Ave., yesterday was the recipient of a cable to the effect that her husband, Private Arthur James Brown, No. 163245, had been severely wounded April 10 and had been admitted to No. 14 general hospital in France. Private Brown was a member of the local branch of the Salvation Army, in which he was an energetic and enthusiastic worker.

Corp. J. K. MOFFAT. The following is the telegram received by Mr. J. Moffat, 28 Nelson street: "Sincerely regret to inform you that No. 117425, Lance Corporal John Kitching Moffat, Infantry, officially reported admitted to one convalescent depot, Boulogne, April 12, 1917, severely wounded in back and thigh. Will send further particulars when received."

Pte. ALEX. WOOD. A cable received in the city this morning announced the wounding of Pte. Alex. Wood, formerly of the 125th battalion, who has been admitted to No. 39 Stationary Hospital at Wimereux, suffering from gun-wounds in the right shoulder. Other Casualties. Bugler W. G. Beech, 172 Dalhousie street is reported wounded. He was a member of the 19th battalion and is now in hospital at Boulogne, suffering from wounds in the back. Mr. Henry Benson, 15 Burford St., has received word that his son, Pte. Ernest John Benson was slightly wounded in the elbow. Other casualties reported from men in the 125th battalion include, Pte. Harry Elliott, 20 Cayuga Street, severe gunshot wound in leg; Pte. Percy Mead, 40 Sheridan street wounded in the right foot; Pte. W. B. Conlon, 49 St. Paul's Ave, severe gunshot wounds; Pte. William McGuire, 121 Pearl street, gunshot wound in the face.

Freedom of the City of Manchester Conferred To-day Upon Canad's Premier in Old Land

Manchester, April 21.—Sir Robert L. Borden, premier of Canada, was given the freedom of the city of Manchester today. In his speech of acceptance he predicted that after the war German industries would be supported and developed by the most thorough and powerful state organization ever known. He said that if the militarist autocracy remained in control the possessions and integrity of the British Empire would not remain unchallenged. Referring to the entrance of the United States into the war, he said:

"The great kindred nation adjoining the Dominion from which I come has been impelled by the relentless and overbearing arrogance and aggression of Germany to take up arms in a common cause of liberty and humanity. From the very foundation of the republic the traditions of American policy have been consistently opposed to intervention in any European war. They would never have committed this fateful step save for the overmastering cause of honor and right. "Our neighbors are peace-loving people, as we are, but those who imagine they are more greatly influenced by material considerations than other nations, fail to realize or comprehend the true spirit of the people of the United States. Their astonishing progress and industry and their remarkable capacity in affairs may have led to a false conception—possible they have some misconception with regard to us. "In this conflict thousands of American citizens have enrolled in our forces and have fought gallantly and heroically side by side with Canadians. It will be a glorious day when the Union Jack and Old Glory advance together in the same cause, on freedom's battlefield. "I have spoken of the responsibilities of our empire, let me emphasize even more strongly the joint responsibility of the American republic and the British commonwealth. Inspired by the same ideals, united in a common purpose and acting in unselfish and loyal co-operation they possess in the right foot; Pte. W. B. Conlon, 49 St. Paul's Ave, severe gunshot wounds; Pte. William McGuire, 121 Pearl street, gunshot wound in the face."

opathic Physicians

CRISTIE IRWIN—Graduate American School of Osteopathy, is now at 38 Nelson street, hrs: 9 to 12 a.m. and 2 to 5 p.m. telephone 1380.

H. SAUDER—Graduate Canadian School of Osteopathy, Missouri. Office, Suite 5, Building, 76 Dalhousie St., corner Bedford and Wilketts, office phone 1344, house phone 1344. Office hours: 9 to 12 a.m., evenings by appointment at house or office.

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