

TWO BATTALIONS OF BRITISH FOR SILESIAN FRONT

Small Allied Force There to be Reinforced by Khaki-Clad Men

VERY SHORT OF FOOD
Bolsheviks Threaten to Complicate Situation by Attack on Silesia

PARIS, May 21.—The despatching of two additional battalions of British soldiers to Upper Silesia is under consideration in London, according to advices here today.

The troops would be added to the small Allied force stationed there to preserve order during the recent plebiscite, which proved too small to stand off the invasion of Polish insurgents.

Silesia Short of Food.

London, May 21.—The food shortage in Upper Silesia has reached a crisis of a magnitude considered likely to cause further disorders unless it is relieved shortly, according to advices reaching official circles here. Interchanges are proceeding among the Allied Governments in an attempt to relieve the situation before the meeting of the Supreme Council which is to take up the Silesian question.

It is considered probable that representations will be made to Germany that the payment of the workmen in Upper Silesia, held up by the refusal of the German interests to transmit funds into the district, be begun immediately in an effort to stabilize conditions there.

Reds a New Menace.

Geneva, May 21.—A new Bolshevik menace against Poland is developing in connection with the commercial treaty concluded between Soviet Russia and Germany. Poland stands in the way of the Russo-German economic union. The Soviet Government, therefore, decided, according to reports received here, to send a note to Warsaw proposing the conclusion of an agreement by which German goods may be privileged to pass duty free through Polish territory, and threatening Poland with invasion unless she consents.

STR. BROOKVILLE ON LOCAL ROUTE ABOUT 1ST JUNE

The Str. Brookville will, it is expected, begin a general passenger and freight service here about the 1st of June, plying between here and Kingston. Mr. J. M. Campbell, of the Kingston Navigation Co. is expected in the city shortly and he will then announce a schedule. The service is expected to be tri-weekly.

The Str. Brookville has been taken off the freight route Toronto-Montreal owing to lack of business, it is said.

Listowel Offers \$1,000 Reward for News of Girl Kidnappers

PALMERSTON, Ont., May 21.—The kidnappers of Miss Edna K. Lee, the choir leader and music teacher of Listowel, who was lured away in an automobile on Tuesday evening last, drugged and abandoned in an unconscious condition in a driveway at Nairn's farm are still at large but arrests are expected hourly. Miss Lee suffered a relapse at the Nairn homestead on Friday and for a time her condition was serious but towards evening she rallied and was able to converse with her father and mother, who were at her bedside the greater part of the day. Dr. H. B. Coleman, who has been in constant attendance, today stated that the young woman cannot dismiss from her mind the character of the strange way in which she was handled by her captors. Every effort has been made to divert her thoughts into channels foreign to the kidnapping but without success.

The mayor of Listowel has notified the local police that the municipality will pay a reward of \$1,000 for the apprehension of the kidnappers.

A 350-acre farm, the "Woodlands," at Meriton, Trafalgar Township, has been sold to a wealthy New York man.

The collection for the hospital ambulance totalled about one hundred and eighteen dollars at the Opera House last night.

E. B. Herr, a former resident of St. Thomas, was arrested on a charge of breaking into a house in Windsor.

SCHOOL BOARD IS ASKED TO SIGN PETITION ASKING CHURCH STREET BE PAVED

Street paving was a problem facing the Board of Education last night. The trustees were asked to authorize the chairman to sign the petition for paving Church street with asphalt, between Bridge and Victoria.

The Board decided to have the chairman sign.

"It would be a sin to spend a thousand or two thousand dollars on temporary repairs, to be washed away by every rain," said Mr. C. M. Reid.

Chairman McGie signed the petition. It is understood the petition is almost fully signed.

The Standard Paving Company is about finishing its work here.

COUNTER PETITION URGES SPEED; FIND SCHOOLS NOW ARE CROWDED AND FEAR CONGESTION NEXT FALL

Coming Into Force of Adolescent Act in September Will Mean 50 to 60 more pupils—Classes Now Largest in History of City Says Report of Inspector.

"Every available room is now in use as a class room including the assembly rooms in the three large schools," said Inspector Clarke in his report to the Board of Education last night.

"More accommodation is needed just as soon as you are able to get it, for in view of the fact that the Adolescent Act will come into operation in part in September, you will probably have to take care of from 50 to 60 more pupils than is usual in September. You will probably transfer about 100 into the High School, but these will be replaced by beginners in the fall probably. In September I expect that Queen Alexandra School will have sufficient accommodation, but I am afraid that both Queen Mary School and Queen Victoria School will be overcrowded."

At present the registered attendance at your public schools is as follows:

Queen Victoria School—514, with 11 teachers.

Queen Mary School—523, with 11 teachers.

Queen Alexandra School—383, with 10 teachers.

Grier Street—192, with 4 teachers. Total 1,617 with 36 teachers, the largest in the history of the city. A year ago the total was 1515.

Mr. W. R. McCreary complained of lack of accommodation at the public schools. Last September 190 children came in to the schools.

Mr. Elliott advised Coleman Ward School building be deferred until next year, and temporary arrangements be made as it was impossible to get the new Coleman Ward School in readiness by September 1st, or perhaps January 1st, or even later.

Mr. McCreary stated that Mr. Carswell told him that the public school could be built for occupancy by January 1st, 1922.

Mr. Deacon looked with alarm upon scarcity of accommodation.

Mr. McCreary urged the school trustees to give all their support to a petition which was to be circulated on Saturday or Monday in favor of the building of the new school and against the petition which was started on its way on Friday, asking Council to defer action on account of prospective drop in prices of material and labor.

MR. D. B. HANNA IN CITY TODAY

Head of Canadian National Railway Coming Here to See the Electric Car

President D. B. Hanna, of the Canadian National Railways is to arrive in Trenton this afternoon and with other C. N. officials take a round trip in the trolleyless electric car between Trenton and Belleville. Mr. Hanna is on his way to his camp in the north country.

SEEKING TENDERS FOR NEW COLLEGE

Plans for the new Albert College have been decided on to the extent that today tenders were called for general contract on excavation and masonry work. A Toronto firm of architects has the plans and specifications.

78 DEGREES OF HEAT.

The highest temperatures of the year were recorded here yesterday, the mercury climbing to 78. Lowest yesterday was 54.

WAS ARRESTED.

George Delane of a local vulcanizing firm, recently burned out, was arrested on a charge of attempting to defraud creditors. He was admitted to bail, the case being enlarged until May 31st.

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PAST-ELECTION WAR KILLS TRIO

Two More Dying and Many Wounded in Italy—Political Leader Slain

ROME, May 21.—Three persons are dead, two are dying, and many are suffering from wounds, as the result of a pitched battle between Communists and extreme Nationalists at Chiusi, Tuscany, where post-election disorders continue. Signor Platania, leader of the Rimini Extreme Nationalists was shot and killed last night, his assailant escaping.

Bandit Gang of 20 Hold Up N.Y.C. Train Take \$70,000 in Goods

BUFFALO, May 21.—Twenty men masked and armed, held up a freight train on the Sanborn branch of the New York Central Railroad, near North Tonawanda, early today, and carried away silks, shoes, clothing, automobile tires and other freight estimated to be worth seventy thousand dollars.

The train was held for half an hour, half the bandits covering the crew and railroad detectives who were on the train as guards, while the others loaded the goods into six motor trucks. The bandits headed for Buffalo with their loot.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Godfrey, of Tweed, were in the city yesterday attending the funeral of the late Mrs. R. C. Embury.

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LLOYD GEORGE AGAIN AT HYTHE, BRIAND IN PARIS

No Conference This Week-end on Momentous Silesian Question

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE
French Deputies Expected to Stand Firmly Behind Premier of France

LONDON, May 21.—Mr. Lloyd George has gone to Hythe, near Dover, where he will spend the week-end with Sir Philip Sassoon. The suggestion was made here yesterday that it was possible he would meet Premier Briand while at Hythe but despatches from Paris indicated that there was no disposition on the part of the French Premier to discuss the Silesian situation, with Mr. Lloyd George, before Tuesday at the earliest.

It is expected that the debate on the Silesian and reparations question will be concluded in the French chamber by Tuesday and that Premier Briand will be given a vote of confidence. Advices from Silesia would appear to indicate that neither the Poles nor the Germans are taking the offensive, pending the meeting of the French and British Premiers.

The proposed meeting of the Supreme Allied Council for the purpose of discussing Silesia appeared today to have been pushed indefinitely into the future.

CHEESE SHOWS FIRMER TONE

Cheese sold at 15-13-15c on the Belleville board today, the entire board being colored except 90 boxes. The factories listing today were:

Shannonville, 40; Brook, 100; Massacassa, 25; Silver Springs, 30; Union, 90; Kellogg, 45; Holloway 40; Sidney, 60; Asme, 70; Wooler, 80; Sidney T. H. 50; W. E. Wood, 80; Thurlow, 60; Mountain, 30; Plainfield, 20; Maple Valley, 40; Roslin, 50; King, 40; Mountain View, 30; Quinte, 75; Frankford, 90; Rogers 50 w. 40 c.; Kingston, 25; Beulah 52; Cedar Creek, 35.

New Gold Rush On; Brice Tp. is Wealthy

COBALT, May 21.—The rush into Brice Township on the Elk Lake Railway branch is assuming stampede proportions. Two hundred claims have already been staked and more men going in. Prospectors are starting to come out to record their stakings, bringing out very good looking gold samples. This is "farthest south" gold rush in the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway country. Fifteen miles south of any previously gold occurrence.

Many at Funeral of Mrs. R. C. Embury

All that was mortal of the late Mrs. R. C. Embury was laid to rest on Friday afternoon in the family plot in Belleville cemetery. The Rev. A. H. Foster, of Holloway Street Methodist Church conducted an impressive service at the family residence, 101 Cedar street, which was attended by a very large number of friends of the deceased and her family. The bearers were Messrs. Walter Corham, William Corham, W. J. Ridley, F. Fairman, J. Neale and Jesse Barlow.

Many floral tributes to the memory of the late Mrs. Embury included the following:

Pillows—Brothers and sister, Family.

Cross—Ontario Staff, Miss H. Butler, Kingston.

Wreaths—Deloro Club, C.N.R. employees.

Sprays—Mr. and Mrs. J. Neale, Mr. and Mrs. T. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Andrews and myrtle, Mr. and Mrs. E. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. E. Fairman and Nora, Mr. and Mrs. E. Liddle, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Blaker, Ladies' Aid, Holloway St. Church, Mr. and Mrs. J. Barlow and family, Mr. W. Cook, The Intelligence Staff, Miss Maimie and Bernard Tierney, Kingston, Mrs. M. Butler, Kingston, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Somerville, Kingston, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. E. Ridley, Dorothy Quincey and Jean Clement.

CARD OF THANKS.
Mr. R. C. Embury and family wish to thank their friends and neighbors for the many floral offerings and acts of kindness during the illness and bereavement by death of a loving wife and mother.

Music Plus Its Charms Part of Curriculum Here; Teachers to Get Extra Pay

Music must play a far more important part in the curriculum of the Belleville public schools than it has to date, the Board of Education decided last night.

"I would again remind you that we have not got very far in systematic teaching of music in our schools. I wish you could have been at the Easter Convention in Toronto and heard those school choirs render some of their selections. It was certainly a treat, and we have just as good material here if we had some one to train them," said Inspector Clarke in his report.

One teacher from each of the four public schools will on the recommendation of the school management Committee be urged to take a special course in music in Toronto during the summer, and receive a bonus of fifty dollars per annum on the understanding that he or she will on the advice of the Inspector give time to music in the city schools.

PAY OF SCHOOL TEACHERS AND QUESTION OF UNIONISM LOOMS UP IN BELLEVILLE

Circular Letter From Kingston Suggests No Increases in Salaries—'Let us Handle Our Own Problems,' Says a Local Member—Changes in Staff of Board of Education.

The question of salaries of teachers and the Board's attitude towards teachers' unions, are commencing to loom up in the Board of Education. Last evening a shadow of a coming event was seen by the trustees, the appointments will be made in about a month.

The Kingston Board by circular suggested that owing to high taxation, the present is an inopportune time to increase salaries of teachers and that conferences should be held between the teachers' federation and the executive of the urban and rural trustees.

Mr. Deacon declared this comparison showed Belleville was paying, according to the size of schools to the teachers as much as the largest cities.

"We ought to handle our own problem with our teachers," he said. The Board decided to have the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of School Management to represent the Board at any meeting on the question.

Ninety-Four Try Entrance.
Ninety-four pupils have signified their intention to try for High School, and judging by the results of other years they will nearly all pass. As in former years the entrance board of examiners will accept satisfactory candidates on the principals' reports without the final examination.

"You have lost a most efficient teacher in the person of Miss Frankie

Simmons, who died on or about March 1st. She had been on your teaching staff for some years and throughout that time her work was uniformly of a high order," said Inspector Clarke.

"I must again compliment the school nurse upon the results of her efforts she has been doing in her work. I have no doubt that it is owing in a large measure to her vigilance that we have not more sickness among the children than we have."

Mrs. Phillips will take the place of Miss McIntosh who is to make a tour of Europe.

Belleville High School regular classes will close on June 10th.

It is believed that there will be several vacancies on the public school staff and the School Management Committee will advertise for applicants.

Mr. Thos. F. Willis resigned as attending officer for the Board of Education, on account of pressure of his duties as sanitary inspector. He will act until the end of the term, a successor to be appointed for next year.

St. Thomas Church vestry complained that the Board of Education had not carried out its agreement to build a fence on the edge of the land purchased from the vestry some years ago and said Mr. J. Elliott.

"If we had built a fence two years ago, it would have been now fifteen feet under ground; so deep is the filling," Mr. Sinclair stated.

The members present were, A. McGie, Chairman; W. R. McCreary, W. B. Riggs, J. A. Higgs, F. S. Sharpe, D. V. Sinclair, N. D. MacFadyen, C. M. Reid, H. W. Ackerman, F. S. Deacon and J. Elliott.

CARSWELL CLAIMS SCHOOL CAN BE BUILT IN 7 MONTHS

With respect to the time it would take to build Coleman ward school, and the question of its possible occupancy by the first of next year, the following telegram received by Mr. Arthur McGie, chairman of the Board of Education here, will be read with interest. The telegram follows:

Arthur McGie,

Chairman Board of Education Belleville, Ont.

Understand some question

arisen re time of completion of Coleman ward school. We can complete without detriment to quality or workmanship in six to seven months. Carswell Construction Company will be called upon sign contract to complete work by December thirty-first under any reasonable penalty. No responsible contractor using modern methods would require longer than seven months.

J. B. CARSWELL.

BOTTOM DROPS OUT OF MARKET FOR BUTTER; BUYERS OFFER 25 TO 30 POTATOES UNSALEABLE; EGGS AT 24

Butter sank to a new low record level at the market today when quantities were offered at 33 to 35c retail, and 20 cents wholesale. The competition of creamery at 35c while sale has brought dairy butter down to the present price. The offerings were large. Buyers offer 25 to 30c for butter.

Eggs ranged from 24 to 27c per dozen. Buyers pay 21c for shipment.

There were quite a number of fowls offered at \$1.50 to 2.00 each. Potatoes sold generally at 45c.

Rhubarb and onions brought 5c per bunch, parsnips and carrots 45c per peck.

Tomato plants sold at \$1.00 per hundred or 15c for 25 in a box. Beef is a little higher at 20 to 22c for hind quarters, lamb, 30c; retail 18 to 16c; pork 14 to 17c. Hogs bring \$10.00 per cwt.

Wheat is easier at \$1.65, buckwheat \$1.00; barley 80 to 90c, oats 50c.

Horsehides sell at \$1.00 to \$1.50; veals, 10c; deacons, 75c; cow hides, 3c per pound. The demand is now for light hides.

Mr. W. H. Cross, of Hamilton, Grand High Priest of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I.O.O.F., who will be one of the principal speakers at the Oddfellows' Demonstration at Strirling on May 24th will be in the city on Monday and will attend a special meeting of Mispah Lodge when the third degree will be conferred on a number of candidates by the Belleville degree staff.

Mr. Kelso Roberts, of Belleville, is now a full-fledged lawyer, having

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Despite the hot wave over the Whittanville holiday, there were less than 50 arrests for drunkenness in London.

While working behind a main switchboard in the new Bell Telephone Co. Chatham, W. Burroughs, received a severe shock when a bolt of lightning struck the service.

Patents of nobility are frequently renewed with the assistance of the American heiress.