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NEW PEACE OFFER TO BE MADE BY RUSSIA?

PROHIBITION FOR QUEBEC TO BEGIN MAY 1919

EARLY PEACE CONFERENCE BY WORKERS OF ALL NATIONS AND PLACE IN PEACE TALK

Resolutions Strongly Attacking Government To Be Introduced in Great Nottingham Convention.

London, Jan. 22.—Demand for the calling of an immediate or early conference of representatives of labor from all countries to discuss peace will be among the important of the resolutions to be submitted to the conference of the British Labor party, to be held at Nottingham tomorrow and on the two days following. Three resolutions, requesting such action have been prepared for submission to the conference by the Independent Labor party, the Socialist party and the Glasgow Trades Council.

Various phases of the peace question apparently will be dominant in the discussions. Declaration that the time has arrived for peace negotiation is made in four resoutions to be submitted by the labor organizations of Bristol, Norwich, Leicester and York.

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A demand that labor be permitted representation in the eventual peace congress of the belligerent powers, or that an international labor congress be held simultaneously with the peace congress, is set forth by labor bodies of Great Yarmouth and Bristol. Withdrawal of all Labor members from ministerial offices under the present Government is demanded in eight resolutions prepared by the British Socialist party or by labor bodies, on the ground that continuance of Labor members in the service of a Government which "permits exploitation of the people by the capitalists" is contrary to labor interests and a violation of the party constitution ests and a violation of the party constitution.

One such resolution from East Ham bases its demands on "The continual barefaced robbery of the people by the food pirates," and suggests that any Labor member refusing to resign should be expelled from the party. "Capitalist food thieves" are strongly denounced, and the Government is urged to handle the food problem so as to eliminate profiteering and secure "equality of sacrifice." There is likely to be a long and bitter discussion on this issue. A year ago the conference reaffirmed, by an overwhelming majority, approval of the retention of office by Labor uninisters.

Financial Problems. nancial proposals have been nitted by more than a dozen eties. They include plans for a submitted by more than a dozen societies. They include plans for a substantial levy on capital, a drastic increase of the income tax, a alsing of the exemption limit to £180 to £200, and the compleory application of the "sinking fund" principle to land and capital, making it the property of the nation. A scheme for the reorganization of the Labor party is to be submitted to the conference by the executive committee. It is said to represent an advance in the political mobilization of the labor forces.

Three important newcomers among the resolutions are: An amendment of the law of libel for the protection of labor bodies against slanderous literature and speakers; a declaration in favor of home rule in India; and a statement that the time has come for the teaching of an international language to enable workers of the world to understand one another without need of an interpreter.

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Washington, Jan. 22.-Discussions he Canadian and American fisheries moved from a train at Toronto some missions were interrupted today for a days ago. call on President Wilson. Secretary

Commerce Redfield introduced the Canadians, who are headed by Chief Justice Hazen, THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 15; lowest, 4 below.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 11; lowest, 8.

Fireman Killed in Accident on the Rutland Railroad.

Middlebury, Vt., Jan. 22.—The night

TOMORROW-FAIR AND COLDER. Toronto, Jan. 22. Forecasts. Today-Cold, with light snewfalls. Wednesday-Strong northwest winds ir and colder.
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Stations. High. Low. Weathe Victoria ... 44 38 Cloud Pair 'algary . Winnipeg .. Port Arthur Port Stanley Parry Sound

MINES BLOCK

BRITISH SUBS

AT HUN PORTS London, Jan. 22—Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.—In the House of Commons Sir Richard Cooper asked: "How can enemy submarines operate regularly in the Mersey while British submarines cannot operate near enemy ports in the North Sea."

Mr. MacNamara, undersecretary for the admiralty, said he was not prepared to admit that British submarines could not operate near enemy ports in the North Sea. He emphasized that conditions in the vicinity of enemy ports are wholly different to those near British ports. Absence of mercantile traffic enables the Germans to do extensive mining, whilst the volume of mercantile traffic in British ports necessitated keeping the approaches clear of mines.

YOUNG FARMERS FIGHT ARREST AS DEFAULTERS

Will Appear in Police Court Tomorrow to Face

HAVE FAILED TO REPORT

Are Alleged to Have Threatened to Shoot If Interfered With.

Two alleged deserters and two alleged defaulters under the military service act will be tried before Magistrate Graydon in police court on Wednesday

Wellington County. They were arrested a few days ago by a squad of military police under Major Osborne.

The Thompson brothers, it is alleged, have ignored the military service act in every way. When a county constable went to the farm to place them under arrest, it is claimed by Major Osborne that they made threats that they would shoot the first man who attempted to interfere with their liberty. Upon receipt of a telephone message, Major Osborne and assistants went to the home and found five unmarried sons and osporne and assistants went to the home and found five unmarried sons and a father. The two, Wislam and George, were brought to London, but only after some resistance.

Both claimed they did not understand the provisions of the act.

William A. Collings and John Politis, a Greek will be armisined on charges of reek, will be arraigned on charges of Collings was arrested in St. Thomas by the police of that city. He had a six-chambered revolver, fully loaded, in is possession when taken into custody He is alleged to have deserted from the W. O. R. on November 18 last by breaking detention the night a draft in which he was included left the city. John Politis of Wallaceburg was re-

ENGINE EXPLODES,

Middlebury, Vt., Jan. 22.—The night express of the Rutland, Railroad, bound from Montreal for Boston, was wrecked two miles north of here today by an explosion in the locomotive. Pireman McCulley was killed, and several passengers injured hur not seriously it.

MORE COLD HEADED THIS WAY, IS REPORT

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Weather Summary Promises Lower Temperature Tomorrow.

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QUEBEC GOES DRY MAY, 1919, **GOVT. RULING**

Liberal Caucus Decides On **Absolute Prohibition for** Province.

ALL LICENSES CUT OFF

Breweries Ask Beer Be Exempted, Claiming Great Loss Otherwise.

Quebec, Jan. 22 .- The Province of Quebec is to have absolute prohibition, beginning May 1, 1919. This was decided at a Liberal caucus held this morning in the Legislative Building.

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The supporters of the Government took only an hour to decided that all licenses must be cut off, even grocery licenses. The introduction of prohibition is regarded as a war measure.

A delegation of Quebec brewers waited on the premier of Quebec, Sir Lomer Gouin, today and represented that if prohibition were introduced their investments, representing some \$100,000,000, would be lost. The delegation asked that beer be exempted from any prohibition legislation decided on.

Sir Lomer said the interests of all breweries would be safeguarded to the utmost.

LENINE'S OPPONENTS OF RUSS ASSEMBLY MAY MEET AT KIEV

Have Abandoned Plans for Reconvening Parliament at Petrograd.

Petrograd, Monday, Jan. 21.—Anti-Boisheviki members of the Constituent Assembly, it is reported today, consid-er that it is now impossible to attempt er that it is now impossible to attempt to reconvene the assembly in Petrograd at this time and, because of transportation difficulties, it is inconvenient to go elsewhere. The probability of meeting later at Kiev is being discussed. Many members of the assembly left for their homes today.

The meeting of the all-Russian Congress of Councils of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates called for today has been postponed until Wednesday.

SMUTS REPORTED ON THE CAMBRAI AFFAIR All Securing Fuel by Under-

War Cabinet Decided Not To Publish the Report.

WRECKING EXPRESS CANADA AND STATES SETTLING DIFFERENCES

> Washington, Jan. 22.—Sessions of the commissions here will be concluded this week. Open hearings will begin in Boston January 31. From there the commissions will go to Gloucester, Mass., and then to some place in Can-Mass., and then to some place in Can-ada. The discussions, it was said, have developed some "peculiar inconsisten-cies" in fishing practices on the Atlan-tic and Pacific coasts. It was said that while Canadian fishing vessels were barred by a federal law from marketing their catch in American ports on the Atlantic, this practice vir-tually obtained on the Pacific coast, the war tually obtained on the Pacific coas where Canadian boats went into Ketch ikan, Wash., before proceeding to the fishing banks. The Canadian boats were compelled to pay fees at Ketchi-kan and to clear from that port.



Independent Assessment, Made by Real Estate Owners and Others. Will Be Used by Board of Revision to Check City Department Figures and Make Valuations Equitable.

The assessment of the city of London will be scrutinized this year as never upwards. Several of each class will be taken as a type, and appeals will be entered in every case to the court of time at least whether the assessment values are such as they should be or not.

J. G. Richter will be chairman of the court of revision this year, and under his direction practical results will follow. Mr. Richter had this scheme in mind last year, but he was removed from the board. However, he is back again this year, and will carry out his policies.

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Then an independent body of valuators, representing the Real Estate Owners and other organizations, will make an assessment. The figures will be submitted to the court of revision, which will have the figures of the assessors before it, as well as giving a basis on which to arrive at a proper assessment. This method will, it is predicted, produce good results. again this year, and will carry out his policies.

When the 1918 regular assessment is finished, it is the intention to have a special assessment of many properties in London to secure a basis of valuation. There will be typical houses selected. For instance, there will be a house owned by the workingmen in various sections in the city assessed at \$1,000 or thereabouts. There will be a substantial foundation."

Work will be commenced on preparlings; from \$3,000 to \$4,000; from \$5,000 or the scheme at an early date.

BRANTFORD IS AFTER THE 'COAL SCALPERS' WHO SELL FARMERS

hand Methods Are To Be Prosecuted.

Brantford, Jan. 22 .- Following up a charge that farmers of this district had

London, Jan. 21, via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.—In the House of Commons, Hon. A. Bonar Law stated that all the documents connected with the Cambrai inquiry were submitted to the war cabinet, at whose request Lieut.-Gen. Smuts went through them. Gen. Smuts's reports was approved by the cabinet, and was not subject to revision by Ear Derby or any army councillors. The decision not to publish the report was taken by the war cabinet.

CANADA AND STATES the demands of rural profiteers, and save, in cases of great emergency, coal is being refused to farmers. Further, when farmers by underhand methods have secured coal, prosecutions will

BRITAIN TELLS PERSIA

BRING BACK PRISONERS

WILSON WANTS IRISH QUESTION QUICKLY OVER

London, Jan. 22 .- The Daily News says there is reason for stating that President Wilson quite recently made urgent representations to the British cablnet on the desirability of an Irish settlement.

The Dubiln correspondent of the Times reiterates the partially hopeful view of the convention whose reports or report, he said, will at least advance the solution of the problem by stages of un precedented length and import. ance. The end, he adds, cannot long be delayed.

PACKING PLANT WORKERS WANT GOVT. TO MANAGE INDUSTRY DURING WAR

Washington, Jan. 22 .- The demand of Chicago packing house employees for Government control of the meat industry during the war was broadened today to include all the packing plants

ed that the packers failed to live up to their agreement.

LA PRESSE SAYS HEARST AIMING **BLOW AT QUEBEC**

Charges He Will Have Legislation to Keep Out the French-Canadian.

"A NEW STORM ARISING"

School Judgment Has Enraged Orangeism, Declares Montreal Newspaper.

Montreal, Jan. 22.—La Presse says:
"The judgment recently rendered by
Judge Chite in favor of the Ottawa
separate schools commission has exasperated, to the very last degree, both
Ontario Orangeism and the sectarian
and persecuting Government which this
organization seems to hold in its hands.
Mr. Hearst, the premier, from the moment of the announcement of the decision which placed in such bad light his
late federal school commission and the
banks with which it had done business,
declared that he was by no means declared that he was by no mean beaten. "We now see in what way he intends to continue the fight. Thorough

truce nor weathers, for the triber of democracy and the liberty of sma nations. Have we ever seen such in rational and malicious hypocrisy? New Storm Arlsing.

ergy, they will continue to claim their rights until the final victory. The On-arlo persecution has become too stupid and too bold not to provoke a just and the provided and the provided and the meaning of the words librative and the time.

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ON BRITISH CABINET IS DUBBED AS RUBBISH

"Public Assassination."

London, Jan. 22.—The Morning Post annuances that Col. Peppingion has ac-epted a position as the mintary corre-portent of the Morning Post. spon lent of the Morning Post.

Some of the morning newspapers comment indignantly on the letter in the Daily Mail and the resignation of Col. Repington. The Daily News asks how long the country and the Pariliament are going to tolerate "this kind of public assassination," and insinuates that Viscount Northeliffe is the tool of a prominent politician.

The Daily Chronicle calls upon the Government to show courage and to pre-

ANZAC LABOR CHIEF DECLARES COALITION CABINET IMPOSSIBLE

Not the Slightest Chance of Agreement Between the Two Parties .

Melbourne, Jan. 22, via Reute Ottawa Agency.-After a meeting London, Jan. 21, via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.—In the House of Lords, Earl Curzon announced that Great Britain thad informed Persia that Britain regarded the Angio-Russian agreement of 1907 as henceforth suspended. He emphasized that Great Britain desired emphasized that Great Britain desired Persia to remain neutral in war time Persia to remain neutral in war time Disagreement developed as to the one of national dispute between the Chicago plants and their workers.

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HITS OMAHA STREET CAR;

BOLSHEVIKI WILL PRESENT NEW NOTE ON PEACE PROPOSAL TO ENTENTE ALLIES

Trotzky Is Back In Petrograd Preparing Another Peace Offer For Central Powers' Enemies-Petrograd Is Aroused Over the Murder Of Kerensky Minister

Petrograd, Jan. 21 .- The peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk have been postponed for a few days Foreign Minister Trotzky is again in Petrograd, and according to the evening newspapers, is preparing an other note to the Entente Allies.

THE WAR SITUATION

strive for a general peace, but on the terms previously offered. This is the answer given the leaders of discontented Austrian workmen, who have quit work to demand peace, by Dr. von Seydler, the Austrian premier. Emperor Charles, he said, desired to end the war at the earliest possible moment.

The Austrian Crisis. No new peace terms were enunciated and the Labor leaders were told that a responsibility for continuation of the known rests upon the Entente Allies, who had refused Austria's offer. All plans for territorial aggrandizement as a result of the war were disclaimed by the premier. Other ministers promised elec-toral reforms and a relaxation of the rigid military law. The Labor leaders then called upon their comrades to re-sume work, but the latest information is that the general strike is still in progress with disorders in some places.

Austria's Cabinet Out. Resignation of the Austrian ministry, most probably that of von Seydler, is reported by a Berlin newspaper, but there is no press or official confirmation. Count von Loggenburg, minister of the Smirnof nterior, is said to have been asked to

form a new cabinet.
Importance is attributed to the AUSTRIA IS TRYING Austrian political situation by London newspapers, some of which believe that the Government is aiding the workmen's Daily News Refers to It as propaganda for peace in the hope of influencing the Brest-Litovsk negotiations. The fact that the Austrian Government permitted full reports of the meeting between the Labor leaders and the Ministry to leave the country is looked upon as significant.

Peace Talk Suspended. Dr. von Seydler indicated no lessening of the demands on Russia, and a German newspaper reports that unless the Russians accept the offer of the central powers, the peace negotiations will be broken off. The conferences at Brest Litovsk have been suspended until Janu ary 29 as Foreign Minister Trotzky, head of the Russian delegation, has gone to Petrograd for consultation with his

the topic and the Times does not men-The efforts came after violent, artillery and general war weariness. preparation and the Bulgarians were sults. Berlin reports that the Bulgarians were successful in patrol engagements.

Carson Resigns. British political circles are discussing Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Ulster it has been expected that the Irish convention, which has been discussing plans Vienna with unwonted freedom shows for home rule in Ireland, would make to other commentators that there m its report shortly. Sir Edward has been the leader of the opposition to any home rule plan which would include Ulster.

GOOD PROGRESS MADE IN BUNKERING SHIPS AT NEW YORK HARBOR

193 Vessels Coaled Since the Fireless Week Went Into Effect.

PETROGRAD AROUSED OVER THE MURDERS.

hingaroff and Kokoshkine." The mur er of the former ministers has create

TO LURE LABOR FOR BOLSHEVIKI PEACE, IS LONDON BELIEF

Turmoil and Tumult in Dual Monarchy May Have Been Part of Plot.

cry for peace, accompanied apparent! by a condition of incipient revolt, is fea The Daily Chronicle cans upon the Government to show courage and to prevent the press from indulging in such attacks which are entirely beneficial to the enemy. The Morning Post calls the Daily Mail story a wild farrage of rubbish. The Daily Mail dd not recur to positions west of the Vardar heavily.

The efforts came after violent artillery and the Times does not men.

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Almost complete military inactivity persists on incipient revoit, is reactive during the dual month are entirely become desperate because of lack of food the course of lack of the course of lack of food the course of lack of the course of lack of food the course of lack of the course of the cour There is an evident connection of the able to enter the French trenches at strike movement with the negotiation only one point from which they were at Brest-Litovsk, which have encoun immediately thrown out by Greek troops. aged the Socialists to insist that t A serious break in the Entente line west | war shall not be prolonged merely for of the Vardar might have important re- the purpose of territorial aggression

License Allowed While most newspapers here attac the greatest importance to the upheava; and some infer that the Austrian Gov he resignation from the war cabinet of ernment is encouraging the movement a genuine endeavor to promote peac Unionists, diving to the Irish situation, the fact that the censorship has per mitted reports to be telegraphed from be a deliberate purpose behind th The Daily Mail, for instance, suggest hat it may be a case of shamming deatl impress the Labor parties of the En ente countries with the idea that A

> laces in Austria. Clashes between orted, while in some instances it lemonstrators when ordered to do so. tratz, where the trouble is acute, oldiers abandoned their loaded machi guns to the rioters. German newspapers report that you

signed, and that Dr. Wekerle, the Hungarian premier, has determined to r ire next month, are not supported b any official announcements. .

BANDITS TAKE \$60,000 IN JEWELS FROM GEM STORE IN DETROIT, MICH,

Detroit, M. A., Jan. 22.—Three bane entered the jewelry store of Ra Dewey, in the downtown district, forenoon, bound the proprietor, and caped with vehrables said to be we