

BRITISH LABOR WANTS A PEACE CONFERENCE

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NEW PEACE OFFER TO BE MADE BY RUSSIA?

EXHIBITION FOR QUEBEC TO BEGIN MAY 1919

BRITISH LABOR MAY DEMAND EARLY PEACE CONFERENCE BY WORKERS OF ALL NATIONS AND PLACE IN PEACE TALK

Resolutions Strongly At-
tacking Government To Be In-
troduced in Great Notting-
ham Convention.

London, Jan. 22.—Demand for the holding of an early peace conference by the workers of all nations is being made known in 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 are to be discussed in the discussions. Declaration that the time has arrived for peace negotiations is made in four resolutions to be submitted by the labor organizations of Bristol, Norwich, Leicester and York.

Criticism of Government. A demand that labor be permitted to represent in the eventual peace conference of the belligerent powers, or that an international labor congress be held simultaneously with the peace conference, is set forth by labor bodies in resolutions prepared by the British Socialist party and the Glasgow Trades Council.

One such resolution from East Ham lases 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, it is strongly denounced, and the government is urged to handle the food problem so as to eliminate profiteering and secure equality of sacrifice. There is a discussion on this issue. A year ago the conference reaffirmed, by an overwhelming majority, approval of the retention of office by labor ministers.

Financial proposals have been submitted by more than a dozen societies. They include a drastic increase of the income tax, a raising of the land tax from £150 to £200, and the compulsory application of the "sinking fund" principle to land and buildings.

A scheme for the reorganization of the labor party is submitted to the conference by the executive committee. It is said to advance in the political mobilization of the labor force.

Three important new comers among the resolutions are: An amendment of the law of libel for the protection of 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.

**FISHERIES COMMISSION
CALLS ON PRESIDENT**

Washington, Jan. 22.—Discussions of the Canadian and American fisheries commissions were interrupted today for a call on President Wilson. Secretary of 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, 5.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COLDER.

Forecast.

Today—Cold, with light snowfalls. At Wednesday—Strong northwest wind; fair and cold.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Station	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	44	38	Cloudy
Calgary	32	22	Clear
Winnipeg	18	14	Clear
Port Arthur	18	14	Clear
Port Stanley	18	14	Clear
Darry Sound	18	14	Snow
Buffalo	20	12	Snow
Toronto	20	12	Cloudy
Kingston	22	10	Snow
Ottawa	22	10	Snow
Montreal	22	10	Snow
Quebec	20	8	Cloudy
Bar Harbor	20	8	Cloudy

Minus (—) means below zero.

A disturbance now developing near the middle Atlantic coast is likely to move to the Maritime Provinces as a severe storm. The weather has become very cold again in Manitoba and Saskatchewan and continues moderately cold from Ontario eastward. Storm signals are displayed along the Atlantic coast.

QUEBEC GOES DRY MAY, 1919, GOVT. RULING

Liberal Caucus Decides On
Absolute Prohibition for
Province.

ALL LICENSES CUT OFF

Breweries Ask Beer Be Ex-
empted, 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.

The supporters of the Government took only an hour to decide 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 requested that if prohibition were introduced their investments, representing some \$100,000,000, would be lost. The delegation asked that the Government should exempt breweries from the prohibition legislation.

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-Bolshevik opponents of the Russian Assembly, it is reported today, consider that it is now impossible to attempt to reconvene the assembly in Petrograd at this time, and because of transportation difficulties, it is inconceivable to attempt to reconvene the assembly in Moscow.

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

**SMUTS REPORTED ON
THE CAMBRAI AFFAIR**

War Cabinet Decided Not To
Publish the Report.

London, Jan. 21, via Reuters Ottawa Agency.—The House of Commons today discussed the report of the War Cabinet on the Cambrai affair.

**CANADA AND STATES
SETTLING DIFFERENCES
OVER THE FISHERIES**

Washington, Jan. 22.—Sessions of the commissions here will be concluded this week. Open hearings will begin in Boston January 21. From there the commissions will go to Gloucester, Mass., and then to some place in Canada. The discussions, it was said, have developed some "peculiar inconsistencies" in fishing practices on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. It was said that while Canadian fishing vessels were barred by a federal law from making their catch in American waters, the Canadian boats were virtually obtained on the Pacific coast, where Canadian boats went into Ketchikan, Wash., before proceeding to the fishing banks. The Canadian boats were compelled to pay fees at Ketchikan and to clear from that port.

**AUTOMOBILE TIRES ARE
STOLEN AT INGERSOLL**

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, Jan. 22.—Automobile tires to the value of \$135 and a club bag were stolen last night from the garage of F. W. Staples, Charles street east. The thieves entered the building through a rear window, evidently while the hockey game with Paris Juniors was in progress. The theft was discovered shortly before midnight, and the police of the neighboring places are being notified.



—Sykes in the Philadelphia Public Ledger.

ASSESSMENT REFORM PLANNED TO PLACE ALL THE VALUATIONS ON PROPER BASIS IN THE CITY

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 before, and it will be settled for some time at least whether the assessment values are such as they should be.

**BRANTFORD IS AFTER
THE 'COAL SCALPERS'
WHO SELL FARMERS**

All Securing Fuel by Under-
hand Methods Are To Be
Prosecuted.

Brantford, Jan. 22.—Following up a charge that farmers of this district had secured coal orders through "coal scalpers" of this city, who would procure orders and then turn them over to the farmer to get filled, the civic authorities will enter prosecution against a well-known farmer who secured an order by working through a city resident. The civic fuel commission is being refused to issue a license to the farmer to sell coal.

**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 of the United States.

It was made clear at the outset of hearings before the President's mediation commission that the employees believed the question to be one of national necessity, and not merely a local dispute between the Chicago plants and their workers.

**RECORD DECREASE IN
S. AUSTRALIA'S WHEAT**

Adelaide, Australia, Jan. 22.—Via Reuters Ottawa Agency.—The Government's estimates of the wheat crop of South Australia is 26,500,000 bushels as compared with 45,000,000 last season, which record decrease is due to the smaller area sown and also the destruction by mice, and after sowing by excess of rain and rust.

LA PRESSE SAYS HEARST AIMING BLOW AT QUEBEC

Charges He Will Have Legis-
lation to Keep Out of the
French-Canadian.

"A NEW STORM ARISING"

School Judgment Has Enraged
Orangeism, Declares Mon-
treal Newspaper.

Montreal, Jan. 22.—La Presse says: "The judgment recently rendered by Justice in favor of the Ottawa separate schools commission has exasperated, to the very last degree, the 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 a light his late federal school commission and the banks with which it had done business, declared that he was not a seceder. 'Two new seas in what we intend to continue the fight. Thoroughly beaten on legal ground, he has simply fallen back on new legislation, which will enable him to follow up his labor of hate against the French-Canadian and the French language.'

The intentions of the Hearst Government are patent enough. They obviously aim to strangle all French-Canadian education in the sister province and that at the very moment when the Orangemen are clamoring for a federal school commission, in this great war, should struggle on without trace nor weakness, for the triumph of democracy and the liberty of small nations. Have we ever seen such irrational and malicious hypocrisy?

"The face of this new storm which is arising we do not even need to add to our constant dread of a new civil war, accustomed as they are to struggle with dignity and certainly not without courage, they will continue to claim their rights until the final victory. The Ontario persecution has become a just and honest revolt among all Canadians who understand the meaning of the words 'liberty and justice.'

"Even when this imperial law is at its worst, we are just as near to victory."

**NORTHCLIFFE ATTACK
ON BRITISH CABINET
IS DUBBED AS RUBBISH**

Daily News Refers to It as
"Public Assassination."

London, Jan. 22.—The Morning Post announces that Col. Northcliffe has accepted a position as the primary correspondent of the Daily News.

Some of the morning newspapers comment indignantly on the move of Col. Northcliffe. The Daily News asks how long the country and the public are going to tolerate a "public assassination," and insinuates that Viscount Northcliffe is the tool of a prominent politician.

The Daily Chronicle calls upon the Government to show courage and to prevent the press from indulging in such attacks which are entirely beneficial to the enemy. The Daily Mail, on the other hand, declares that the Daily News is a "public assassination," and the Daily Mail does not mention it.

**ANZAC LABOR CHIEF
DECLARES COALITION
CABINET IMPOSSIBLE**

Not the Slightest Chance of
Agreement Between the
Two Parties.

Melbourne, Jan. 22, via Reuters Ottawa Agency.—After a meeting of the Laborites to discuss a coalition proposal, Hon. Frank Tudor, leader of the Opposition, stated that there was not the slightest possibility of agreement between the opposing parties.

In the course of the debate in the House of Representatives, Mr. Fowler, ministerial leader, declared that thousands of votes were not against the coalition, but against Premier Hughes, who had created a spirit of bitter antagonism which had hurtled from foreign to Australian.

**RUNAWAY COAL TRAIN
HITS OMAHA STREET CAR;
TWO KILLED, 14 INJURED**

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 22.—Two persons were killed and fifteen seriously injured last night when a coal car broke away from a switch train and racing down grade forty miles an hour, crashed into a crowded street car.

BOLSHEVIK WILL PRESENT NEW NOTE ON PEACE PROPOSAL TO ENTENTE ALLIES

Trotsky 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 Trotsky is again in Petrograd, and, according to the evening newspapers, is preparing another note to the Entente Allies.

THE WAR SITUATION

Austria-Hungary will continue to insist for a general peace, but on the terms previously offered. This is the answer given the leaders of discontented Austrian workers, 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 the responsibility for continuation of the war 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 electoral reforms and a relaxation of the rigid military law. The Labor leaders then called upon the Government to resume 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 interior, is said to have been asked to form a new cabinet.

Importance is attributed to the Austrian political situation by London newspapers, some of which believe that the Government is aiding the workers' propaganda for peace in the hope of influencing the Brest-Litovsk negotiations. The fact that the Austrian Government permitted the 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 Russian resignation from the war ceases, the peace negotiations will be broken off. The conferences at Brest-Litovsk have been suspended until January 29, Foreign Minister Trotsky, head of the Russian delegation, has gone to Petrograd for consultation with his Government.

Almost complete military inactivity persists on the front in France and Italy. On the Macedonian front Bulgarian troops have attacked the French positions west of the Vardar heavily. The efforts came after violent artillery preparation and the Bulgarians were able to enter the French trenches at only one point from which they were immediately thrown out by Greek troops. A serious break in the Entente line west of the Vardar might have important results. Berlin reports that the Bulgarians were successful in patrol engagements.

Carson Resigns. British political circles are discussing the resignation from the war cabinet of Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Ulster Unionists, owing to the Irish situation. It has been expected that the Irish question, which has been discussed plans for home rule in Ireland, would make 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.

New York, Jan. 22.—In the face of the worst ice jam in New York harbor in many years, encouraging headway had been made in coaling ships during the five fireless days ending today. A week ago there were 213 ships tied up at docks, while early today there were but 110, thirteen large steamships being supplied with bunker coal yesterday. Transportation officials expected that many more steamers would be bunkered before night.

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

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 22.—Three bandits entered the jewelry store of A. J. Bowers in the downtown district, this morning, bound the proprietor, and carried away with valuable loot to the value of \$60,000.