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Incipient Spirit of Revolt Accompanies Cry for Peace People, on Verge of Starvation, Grow Desperate

A Hornets' Nest.

London, Jan. 22.-The

Morning Post announces that

Col. Repington has accepted a position as the military cor-respondent of The Morning

By Courier Leased Wire

BRANTFORD DAILY COURIER.

THE COURIER, BRANTFORD, CANADA, TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1918.

Austrian Premier Has Given Answer to Demands of the Labor Leaders; Dual Monarchy to Strive For a General Peace, But Upon Terms Already Offered

Austria-Hungary will continue to 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. BLAME ENTENTE

No new peace terms were enunciated and the Labor leaders were told that responsibility for continuation of the war rested upon the Entente 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 their comrades to resume work, but the latest information is that the general strike is still in progress with disorders in some places.

MINISTRY QUITS.

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 Toggenberg, minister of the interior, is said to have been asked to form a new

GOVT. AIDING PROPAGANDA?

Importance is attached to the Austrian political situation by London newspapers, some of which believe that the government is aiding the workmen's 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 lead- WARDEN OF BRANT COUNTY, AT ers and the ministry to leave the country is looked upon as significant.

BREAK IN NEGOTIA TIONS LIKELY.

Dr. von Seydler indicated no lessening of the demands on Russia and a German councillous EDDY. newspaper reports that unless the Russians accept the offer of the Central Powers the ror MCANN, GREENWOOD, DOUGLAS, SCACE. peace negotiations will be broken off. The conferences at Brest-Litovsk have been suspended until January 29, as Foreign Minis ter Trotzky, head of the Russian delegation, has gone to Petrograd for consultation with his government.

MILITARY SITUATION

Almost complete military inactivity per sists on the fronts 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 thrown out immediately 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 QUITS THE CABINET

British political circles are discussing the resignation from the war cabinet of Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Ulster Union Unionists, on account of the Irish situation. It has been expected that the Irish convention, which has been discussing 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.

Crisis Near London, Jan. 22.—Austria-Hungary's cry for peace, accompanied apparently by a condition of incipient revolt, is featured by the morning newspapers as a fact that is hurrying the dual monarchy to a crisis Long dispacthes from Amsterdam show that the workers have become desperate because of lack of food and general war weariness, There is an evident connection of the strike movement with

EATHER BULLETIN

the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk

which have encouraged the So-

cialists to insist that the war

shall not be prolonged merely



22-A disturbance now developing near the middle tlantic coast is likely to move to the Maritime Provinces as a severe

The weather has become very cold again in Manitoba and Saskatchewan and continues mo-Ontario eastward. Storm signals are

'Zimmie" displayed along the Atlantic coast. Forecasts. Cold with light snow falls. Wednesday Strong northwest winds, fair and colder.

for the purpose of territorial ag-

While most newspapers here attach the greatest importance to the upheaval, and some infer that the Austrian government is encouraging the movement in a genuine endeavor to promote peace, the fact that the censorship has permitted reports to be telegraphed from Vienna with unwonted freedom, suggests to other commentators that there may be a deliberate purpose behind the license allowed to Vi-

The Daily Mail for instance suggests that it may be a case of shamming death to impress the labor parties of the Entente countries with the idea that Austria is ready to accept a Bol-

Reports from Switzerland mention the arrest of peace de-Austria. Clashes between hungry civilians and soldiers are reported, while in some instances it is said the soldiers refused to ordered to do so. At Gratz where the trouble is acute, . the soldiers abandoned their loaded machine guns to the rioters.

German newspaper reports that von Seydler, the Austrian premier, has resigned, and that Dr. Wekerle, the Hungarian premier, has determined to retire next month, are not supported by any official announceFood Question

Vienna, Jan. 22 .- (Via Amsterdam to London)-Herr Hoefer, president of the food board lressed the labor delegates at the ministerial conference Sunday on the food question, explaining the government's efforts through negotiations with Hungary and Austria's allies to von Toggenberk, minister of the interior, announced the coming introduction of bills to extend the democratic principles of parnentary suffrage to municialities, including proportional esentation. He would raise o fundamental objection to women suffrage.

Lieut -General Czapp, miniser of defense, announced the vernment was ready to abolish measures falling under the head of so-called militarization by means of a bill taking into acunt special conditions arising from the war and regulating laoor conditions in war industries on the basis of civil law This ill also will proivde for the stitution of military courts by civic tribunals, and will be inoduced in the lower house as

edily as possible. The deputation of Labor leaders then met other labor lead-ers and, and after a short debate adopted a resolution noting the government's declarea-(Continued on Page 4.)

Foreign Minister is in Petrograd, Preparing a Fresh Document For Allies; Lenine Orders Arrest

papers is preparing another note to the Entente Allies.

Petrograd, Monday, Jan. 21-

Premier Lenine and Secretary of State Bonch Burevitch have ordered the Red Guard and sol-

diers to comb the city for "the

sailors, who killed Shingaroff and Kokoshikine." The murder

of the former ministers has

created a feeling of protest and revulsion among the Bolsheviki officials who are anxious to pre-

vent the situation from getting

The Petrograd conneil of Workmen's and Soldiers Dele-gates has adopted a resolution of the most strict censure of the murders, declaring it never

could approve of summary jus-tice and that no crimes had been

ers. It has been learned that the sailors, who were among the

but had recently arrived from

committed by those killed.

Some of the morning newspapers comment indgnantly on the letter in The Daily Mail isters and the resignation of Col. Petrograd, Jan. 21—The peace negotiations at Brest-Lit-ovsk have been postponed for a The Daily News asks how long the country and the Parliament are going to tclerate "this kind of pubzky is again in Petrograd and, according to the evening newssinuates that Viscount North

cliffe is the tool of a prom-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 Morning Post calls The Daily Mail story a wild farrage of rubbish. The Daily Mail did not recur to the topic and The Times does not mention it.

E. PITTS

THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE COUNT COUNCIL A CANN WAS ALSO NOMINATED. THE VOTE WAS:-FOR PHTS,

QUEBEC GOES DRY

By Courier Leased Wire Quebec, Jan. 22.—The Province of Quebec is to have absolute prohibition beginning May 1 next. This was decided at a ing in the legislative building

PLAIN TALK BY HARDEN

Territory From Russia, He Writes

"He who wishes to tear away Poland, Courland, Lithuania, Esthonia and Livonia from the Russian empire, makes of this empire a mortal enemy, for Russia will not always have Leninistic feelings. These countries would bring us no advantage. Their economic development / could in the least be helped by gold fertilization by Germany with its one hundred and fifty billion marks of war debt, and a Slavic strain thru Germany would endanger the life of the country, not merely the life of East Prussia. After our experience in the west is there now to be a superior of the convictions have altered, allowed the convention falls entirely and if the convention falls entirely and thus eradicate dissatisfaction in the colonies and the United States of this open sore.

Sir Edward has been the leader of the convention, to whom all look as a reconciler in Irish affairs, spent the war. He was chief or ganizer of the Ulster volunters and there is no sign that his convictions have altered, allowed.

Germany would endanger the life of the country, not merely the life of East Prussia. After our experience in the west is there now to be created a much greater and more dangerous Alsace-Lorraine."

With regard to Alsace-Lorraine with the people.

"Neither Premier Lloyd George many is willing to surrender Alsace-Lorraine to France at the present that the Irish convention was likely neared is signed when there can be a fair consultion with the people.

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of Murderers of Kerensky-Min-Finland, where they had been attached to the Baltic fleet. The bodies of the slain ministers, to-gether with those of the victims of Friday's demonstration, in-cluding M. Leginoff, a Siberian

Trotzky Writes Another Note

member of the Constituent Assembly were viewed by thousands to-day in a chapel of the Marine Hospital.

Four other members of the Kerensky, Government, who had been in another hospital because of illness to-day were transfer-red to the Kresy prison by the Bolsheviki authorities. The ministers transferred were A. V. Kartasheff, A. I. Konovaloff, S. N. Tretyakoff and S. A.

Smirnoff.

CANNOT MEET AGAIN

Petrograd, Monday, Jan. 21—
Anti-Bolsheviki members of the Constituent Assembly it is reported to-day, consider that it is only impossible to attempt to reconsume the Assembly in Petrograd at this time and because of transportation difficulties, it of transportation difficulties, it is inconvenient to go elsewhere. The probability of meeting later at Kiev is being discussed. Many

The resolution urged all sol-The meeting of the All-Russian Congress of Councils of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates called for to-day has been postponed until Wednesday. assassins were not part of any crews stationed in Petrograd,

STIRS THE OLD

Political Circles in Great Britain Surprised at the Announcement of Irish Leader's Retirement From the War Cabinet - Result of Irish Situation

Germany Should Take No world was surprised last night by the announcement that Sir Edward carson, minister without portfolio in the war cabinet, had resigned, would brighten sharply. By Courier Leased Wire.

Amsterdam, Jan. 22—Germany signation Sir Edward says that on should not take any territory from account of his dual position as a the Russian empire and might give member of the Government and back Alsace-Lorraine to France, Max-leader of the Ulster party, he felt imilian Harden declares in Die Zu-tst to be to the restoned of the Convention are imilian Harden declares in Die Zu- it to be to the national advantage to

peace is signed when there can be a fair consultion with the people. It was admittedly a mistake to take possession of Alsace-Lorraine. Must we always carry this burden, the Times, which hitherto have supinheritance from our forefathers. We ported Ulster, have been declaring are strong enough to be our masters that national interests outweigh and to cease to be trammelled by eraction of the past."

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London, Jan. 21.—The political stiff-necked faction to yield its in-orld was surprised last night by

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WHY BRITISH SUBS

Absence of Mercantile Traffic Enables Huns to Mine

London, Jan. 22.—(Via Reuter's

Commons, Sir Richard "How can enemy submarines perate regularly in the Mersey while British submarines cannot

perate near enemy ports North Sea." Mr. MacNamara, under secretary for the Admiralty, said he was not prepared to admit that British submarines could not operate near nemy ports in the North Sea. nphasized that conditions in the lifferent to those near British ports. bsence of mercantile traffic en ables the Germans to do extensive mining, whilst the volume of mercantile traffic in British ports nece sitated keeping the approaches clear

Junior General Given Command of Austrian Forces Over Field Marshall

NEW LEADER RADICAL

Ever an Enemy of Italy-**Defensive Campaign** Presaged

Italian headquarters in Northern taly, Monday, Jan. 21.—(By the Associated Press)—General Szetozar Boroevic has been appointed to succeed the Archduke Eugene in command of the entire enemy front against Italy, and it is believed the hange may have a considerable ef-

The two conspicuous enemy res on this front, have been Field farshal Conrad von Hoetzendorf, commanding the mountain front, and General Goroevic, commanding along the Piave. General Boroevic is the unior of the field marshal and his a disgrace, probably growing out of the operations on this front. He has represented the extreme element oposed to Italy, and as chief of collision with Italy during the Aripolitan war and has even been charged with using the Messina earthervention in Italian affairs. General Boroevic's tactics on the

Italian front have been uniformly defensive; rarely offensive. For two tained a defensive and took the ofensive only when German reinforcements compelled an advance. (Continued on Page 4.)

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