

PREPARING FOR BIG STRUGGLE IN ENGLAND

Mine Leaders' Demands Will Not be Met by Owners or Government.

LENINE THE POWER BEHIND MOVEMENT

British Government Possesses Positive Proof of Duplicity of Krassin and Kamenev.

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London, Aug. 25.—England today is experiencing the spectacle of a dress rehearsal for revolutionary action. During the last few days your correspondent has heard from responsible government officials the gravest forecasts of events in September which are now casting their shadows across the scene.

The situation, while it is complex, is clear. The government fully expects the miners to strike early in September. The mine leaders have submitted demands which neither the government nor industry will consider, because to accept them would be equivalent to placing the control of the mines in the hands of the miners. Furthermore, the mine leaders, backed by the responsible labor chiefs, desire to measure their strength with the government. Labor is anxious now to bring on both an industrial and political crisis, hoping by means of strikes and a possible general election to gain control of the government.

The creation of the council of action is labor's initial step to form an organization to effectively oppose the government when the crisis comes. Everything the council of action has done is more propaganda and an advertising campaign preparatory to the action.

The Public Ledger foreign service is informed by most reliable authorities that attempts have recently been made to smuggle ammunition into mine centers. This is the factor which makes the industrial situation in England so critical, because while the miners are undoubtedly arming and preparing in some localities to take the mine properties there is another very real secret organization of ex-officers and citizens who are also arming and preparing for the crisis to help the government when it calls for assistance.

Thus there exists in England today not only the council of action of labor but the Council of Defense of citizens and both are preparing to meet the crisis when it comes next month. While the Council of Action is planning to supersede the government, the Council of Defense is building up an organization of citizens' volunteers to do the work of the strikers and carry on.

Lenine Guiding Revolutionary Movement

There is not the slightest doubt today in the minds of the government but that Lenine, through his trade representatives here, is guiding the revolutionary movement in England. The disclosures of the Copenhagen correspondent of the Public Ledger have been known to the British Government for some days, and I understand the government possesses full information showing that Krassin and Kamenev paid the representatives of the Daily Herald 627 Chinese gold bonds of a nominal value of \$100 each for controlling the policy of the paper.

Furthermore the British cabinet at a meeting shortly before Lloyd George's departure for Switzerland, debated the advisability of making the disclosures in the form of a white paper, but at the premier's request declined to do so because the prime minister did not wish to break relations with Krassin and Kamenev during these crucial days, when the fate of Poland is in the balance. Both Belsham's delegates have been in the closest confidence of the Daily Herald, which has been the go-between the British labor leaders and the Kamenev mission.

POPULATION OF TORONTO INCREASES

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 25.—This city's population, with the assessors' returns for seven out of eight wards, is 523,465 and the assessment \$707,687,350, which increases to be estimated from one of the most congested areas in the city. This population shows an advance of 14,150 over last year and an assessment \$54,877,359.

Sebastopol, Crimea, Aug. 26.—Civil war in Russia would cease immediately, if the Russian people were free to organize a government according to their own wishes. General Baron Wrangel, who was recognized as head of the South Russian Government by France a few days ago, declared here today. They are not able to do this at present, however, because of the domination of the Soviet leaders, and the fight must go on until Russians are free to take matters in their own hands, he continued.

In his discussion of the situation and fundamental problems with the Associated Press correspondent, he made no prophecy except that Russia ultimately would be reunited under a government expressing the will of the majority of the people.

PRINCESS ABJURES POET FOR ROYALTY

Eldest Daughter of Roumanian Rulers is to Wed Eldest Son of Ex-King of Greece.

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By WYTHE WILLIAMS.

Paris, Aug. 25.—Exclusive and positive information of a forthcoming royal marriage that is full of significance in view of the future of European politics has come into possession of the Public Ledger.

The wedding, while not yet announced, will be that of Princess Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the King and Queen of Roumania, with Prince George, eldest son of ex-King Constantine of Greece. As the crown prince, George was dethroned at the time of his father's abdication because of his alleged pro-German sympathies, due to his upbringing in that country. The present king—his younger brother, Alexander—having recently taken a morganatic wife, has given him the idea that, acted by an alliance with the Roumanian princess, he may yet ascend the throne.

As the greatest stumbling block is believed to be Premier Venizelos, it now is considered likely that the recent attempt to assassinate the premier, made by two officers of the old regime, have been part of a plot to restore Gorman rule in Greece.

It is not considered possible for the Roumanian royal family to have had any knowledge of such a political move when the engagement was made; for, as a matter of fact, Princess Elizabeth, who now is twenty-five years old and considered the most beautiful of the remaining European princesses, would be glad to avoid the match because her affections have been given to a young Roumanian poet, however, her mother, Queen Marie, considers that the royal word must be kept. Both mother and daughter now are in Switzerland, it is understood, and arrangements for the marriage are progressing.

Prince George, who has nothing of the legendary prince in appearance, pursued Princess Elizabeth for several years with his offer of marriage and was finally accepted a few months ago when he followed her to St. Moritz and made a scene in which he wept, supplicated and threatened suicide.

Yields to Her Mother.

This, added to her mother's admon-

FRENCH WHEAT CROP FAR BELOW NORMAL

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Paris, Aug. 24.—Predictions of experts on the French grain crops this year, based on the first results of the harvest in all parts of France and information from other countries, show that the United States remains the only salvation of France and Europe. The French wheat crop will be one-fourth less than previously estimated and 78,000,000 bushels, approximately, less than the 1913 crop. The quality of the grain is below normal, the weight being 3 per cent less than usual. The yield per acre is slightly greater than 1917, but the total average is one-third less. To meet the normal demand of consumption France will have to import 30,000,000 bushels of wheat.

The Italian harvest is also disappointing and Italy will have to import virtually the same amount as France. England is hoping to make up the deficit crops of Australia and India by the Russian negotiations and purchases in the United States. There is little hope of wheat from Argentina, as, due to the local shortage its export is prohibited, though if the December crop is good the prohibition may be cancelled.

The French wheat crop figures are: 1913, a yield of 309,800,000 bushels; 1919, 165,000,000; 1920 estimate, 231,000,000 bushels. For rye the figures are: 1913, 56,000,000 bushels; 1919, 30,000,000 bushels; 1920, 35,000,000.

SCHEME TO RELIEVE HOUSING PROBLEM

Winnipeg, Aug. 25.—Use of Minto barracks for housing 225 single men, and so relieving accommodation in rooming houses for families, was urged by C. A. Tanner, labor M.P.A. for Klondike-St. Andrews last night. Mr. Tanner is of the opinion the housing situation in Winnipeg will be serious this winter unless drastic action is taken by the authorities at once.

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FREDERICTON WOMAN KILLED IN BOSTON

Attempted to Save Niece from Wheels of Auto, She is Knocked Down and Dies from Injuries.

Special to The Standard.

Scotsworth, New Hampshire, Aug. 24.—While attempting to save her three year old niece, Agnes K. MacFadden, from being struck by an automobile truck at the Junction of Green and Washington streets, commonly known as "Bloody Corner," Miss Dorothy Meyer Jacobson, aged 32, a native and former resident of Fredericton, New Brunswick, was struck, knocked down and run over by the Great Erie Mfg. Company's two ton truck. While removed in near record time to the Wentworth Hospital, Miss Jackson was there with her sister, Mrs. Dorothy MacFadden of Mill street. Mrs. MacFadden and a brother, Edward Jacobson, who is in some unknown part of the Canadian Northwest, are the only survivors.

BORN.

K-BITTERS.—To Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Toughley, 145 Mocklenburg street—a son Monday morning.

GARD OF THANKS.

I wish to thank my neighbors and numerous friends for their kindness and many tokens of sympathy during the recent illness and death of my beloved husband, Batchford Lloyd; also those who sent flowers and assisted with the singing etc. at the funeral, and with the singing etc. at the funeral.

BELEZA LLOYD, Larvicko, N. B.

Mrs. Fred. Wood, after a pleasant visit with her mother, Mrs. Annie Boyne, left yesterday for her home in Wolfville, N. S.

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FRANCO-BELGIC ALLIANCE NATURAL

Colonel House Sees Evidence That Belgium Will Soon Have Recovered from Ravages of War.

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Brussels, Aug. 25.—Colonel E. M. House today made the following statement for the Public Ledger foreign service:—

"The Belgians will probably be the last people in Europe to forgive the Germans. The feeling in Belgium is different even from that found in France. There, the antagonism is centuries old, and has been acute for the last fifty years, but here it came with great violence and was coincident with the sudden, unexpected, and brutal invasion.

"What rankles in the heart of those people is not alone the breach of faith, but more particularly the manner of it. For four years they were under the heel of their invader, and suffered every form of humiliation. The result is that today German visitors are received in every capital in Europe with less aversion than in Brussels.

"Therefore a new French and Belgian treaty, defensive and offensive, was to be expected. While there have been sharp differences between these two nations, notably in Luxembourg, they are today in closer alliance than any of the Entente states. It might even be said that they are the only European states that are in complete harmony.

Belgians Working Hard.

"The Belgians are working better perhaps than the people of any other country. The laborers object to overtime, no matter what inducement is given by way of compensation, but they are doing a full day's work of eight hours. That, and the general frugality practiced, has made competent observers conclude that of all countries engaged in the war, Belgium will make the quickest recovery. Her national debt is comparatively small, and she has a priority of 2,500,000,000 francs of the amount the Germans are to pay for reparation. In the devastated regions rebuilding goes steadily on, and we shall soon see a happy and contented Belgium.

"The Belgians are so deeply interested in the reconstruction of their country that bolshevism has no foothold there, although one might be led to think otherwise because of the demonstration recently made by soldiers against the houses of parliament. History gives but few instances where a parliament has been threatened in such a way.

"However, there was not the same significance to the demonstration here, as in other instances, and it went no deeper than a momentary outburst of soldiers who believed the government was treating them unfairly in the matter of pensions. The measure to which they took exception seeks to help those who need it most, and to spare the state the burden of giving aid to those abundantly able to care for themselves. Soldiers as a rule are the least mercenary of men. They seem to feel that there is something finer in such service than mere money compensation. And so there is. How can America repay in gold the services of the American Expeditionary Forces? The mere agitation of it is regrettable. The valor and endurance of our troops in action has brought throughout the world a new estimate of our people, and for a century or more it will add to our safety and standing as a people.

King Albert Popular.

Albert of Belgium and his Queen retain their popularity and when the story of their tragic times is written there is this feeling more prevalent than in this small nation whose King is so nearly fulfilled the requirement. No law is needed to bring about such a departure; public opinion alone would be sufficient. There is no law compelling a captain to leave his ship afloat or go down with it, but it has become an unwritten law of the seas, and he who violates it courts dishonor.

"So it should be in the future with old or young having the direction of governments which, under their leadership, go to war—be it just or unjust. No man is so essential to a nation that each action would not serve to lift him to a higher level."

Peril Should Be Shared.

"There is a growing conviction that those who are responsible for the war, be they statesmen or soldiers of high rank, or civilians, should share to a measurable degree its perils, and nowhere is this feeling more prevalent than in this small nation whose King is so nearly fulfilled the requirement. No law is needed to bring about such a departure; public opinion alone would be sufficient. There is no law compelling a captain to leave his ship afloat or go down with it, but it has become an unwritten law of the seas, and he who violates it courts dishonor.

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Cliff Ross, of the Halifax Recorder printing staff, is in the city. Mr. Ross has been attending the K. of P. convention at Woodstock.

Mrs. H. E. Boyce and baby left last night for Montreal, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. W. T. McLeod, of Fredericton, N. B.