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GOVERNMENT FORCES SCARE THE BOLSHEVISTS AT BERLIN

Proclamation of Military Law Has a Salutary Effect—All Strategic Points Now in Hands of Government Troops—Rioters Dispersed After Some Casualties Are Inflicted—President Wilson and Party Sailed For Europe This Morning—President Says He Will Not Return Until League of Nations is Accomplished Fact.

PRES. WILSON SAILED FOR EUROPE THIS MORNING

NEW YORK, Mar. 5—President Wilson sailed today on his second voyage to France. The transport "George Washington," bearing the Presidential party left the Hoboken, N.J. pier at 8.15 a.m. The chief executive's departure was marked by a simplicity which contrasted with the noisy demonstration accorded him on his first journey to Paris last December. Today there was only a small crowd of persons assembled at the army transport pier. To these the President, hat in hand, and Mrs. Wilson, waved farewell greetings as the "George Washington" swung out into the lower Hudson River. As the transport turned her nose toward the Statue of Liberty in the almost strike-paralyzed harbor, an escort of destroyers got under way ahead and the presidential salute of 21 guns was fired.

GOVT. FORCES HAVE SITUATION IN HAND IN BERLIN

BERLIN, Mar. 5—Greater Berlin was quiet up till last night, Gustav Noske, Minister of War, apparently having the situation in hand. The proclamation of martial law, by the Prussian Ministry had salutary effect, quick recovery of strategic points in the city by the Reinhardt Brigade also serving to dampen the ardor of the Spartacists. Government soldiers are concentrating attention on Moabite vicinity, police headquarters, Chancellery and Imperial Bank. The strike organization has thus far done nothing and the leaders are unable to tell approximately the number of men who are out on strike.

"MEGANTIC" ARRIVED WITH MORE SOLDIERS

HALIFAX, Mar. 5—The transport, "Megantic" with 1200 soldiers and three hundred civilians aboard, docked here this morning. Many of them were for Ontario points.

GOVERNMENT TROOPS FIRE ON RIOTERS

BERLIN, Mar. 5—Government troops at police headquarters fired on the rioters in that neighborhood this morning and several casualties are reported to have resulted. The troops had been called to disperse the crowds which were gathering, in increased numbers around headquarters. Reports were current early in the day that the Spartacists' marine division had seized police headquarters but this turned out to be incorrect.

UNIONIST SCOURGING BY SIR SAM HUGHES

OTTAWA, March 4—If Mr. Hocken of Toronto yesterday occupied the centre of the stage in the debate on the address, that place was certainly taken in the house of commons today by Major-General Sir Sam Hughes. If Mr. Hocken yesterday scoured the Union Government with whips, Sir Sam today scoured them with scorpions. Mr. Hocken found nothing much wrong except the civil service commission, but General Hughes found pretty nearly everything wrong with the Union Government.

His most serious charge was that the government had badly handled the conduct of the war, at least after the time he ceased to be minister of militia. Canadian soldiers he claimed, had been recklessly and uselessly sacrificed in the taking of Cambrai, "a dirty one-horse town, not worth the life of a single Canadian soldier, and filled with machine guns and booby traps." The assault upon Mons after the signing of the armistice and within four hours of the time fixed for the cessation of hostilities was roundly denounced. Sir Sam had no hesitation in saying that the commander of the Canadian Corps should have been court-martialed.

Neither did General Hughes believe that the government addressed itself properly to the problem of demobilization. He did not think the stern, capable, splendid men coming back from service overseas wanted to be coddled, spoon-fed or carried around to pink teas. They wanted a chance, he said, to build up homes, to fill many of the good positions now occupied by aliens, and to take their part in the governing of the country. They were not seeking positions as village postmasters or elevator men.

The finance minister was fiercely assailed for his extravagant expenditure in flotation of the Victory loans. High interest had been paid, the bonds had been exempted from taxation, and yet it cost us nearly five dollars, and in some case more than five dollars, for every one hundred dollars obtained, while the U. S. secretary of the treasury had borrowed many billions at an average cost of less than twenty cents for every hundred dollars raised. The general had a good deal to say about Sir Joseph Flavelle, "the owner of the government," his huge profits, and his political intrigues. Sir Joseph was charged with the conspiracy to oust Sir Robert Borden from the premiership pre-

sumably to instal Sir Thomas White, and had gone so far as to open negotiations with Sir Wilfred Laurier, but, according to Sir Sam, "that wily old statesman" refused to negotiate. He was glad to see independence growing among the members of parliament and declared that the acting prime minister would find it difficult to "cajole, butter-down, pussy-foot or side-step his followers."

TROOPS USED MACHINE GUNS

BERLIN, Mar. 5—Occupation of Dusseldorf by government forces has been accomplished without opposition. Radicals are endeavoring to extend the general strike movement to south-eastern Saxony. Telegrams carry alarming reports of the situation in the capital. They declare that troops have used machine guns and that a number of officers and strikers have been killed. Government troops in Berlin on Tuesday occupied the printing plant of the "Red Flag," the Spartacan organ, without fighting. Dr. Hans Meyer, the editor of the paper was arrested by troops.

LLOYD GEORGE RETURNS TO PARIS

LONDON, March 5—Premier Lloyd George left London this morning for Paris to resume work with the Peace Conference delegates.

ATTEMPT ON KOENIGSBERG

BERLIN, March 5—The Spartacans have inaugurated a movement to seize Koenigsberg, east Prussia, and open a route to Moscow that the Bolshevik armies might move to the assistance of the Spartacans. The Government however has sent forces to prevent it.

CONVENTION OF ONTARIO LIBERALS LIKELY

TORONTO, March 5—Influential Liberals among the members of the Legislature are discussing the probability of a general provincial convention in the near future to discuss the future program and possibly the appointment of new leader for party in Ontario. The present leader, Wm. Proudfoot, K.C. the member for Centre Huron, was in the opinion of many of his following appointed as acting leader only during the party political truce necessitated by the war. Among the names prominently mentioned for leadership should a change be made, are those of Hartley Dewart, South Toronto; Major J. C. Toimie, Windsor; and Francis Hay, North Perth.

SPLITS WITH PARTY OVER PROHIBITION

The Legislature had a full sized, double action sensation at the night session, when the U.F.O. member for Manitoulin vindicated that party and its policy and Colonel Machin of Kenora, now engaged in Ottawa in connection with the military service act, renounced his "allegiance" to the Conservative party on account of the Hearst prohibition legislation.

Colonel Machin spoke throughout in vibrant tones and was listened to with the closest attention by both sides of the house. A pin could be heard to drop while he was speaking.

On resuming the debate at 8 o'clock, Dr. G. I. Musgrove, of Niagara Falls, said the government intends some day or other to place the price of school books at cost. He admitted decline of the rural population from 60 to perhaps 50 per cent., but he said the farmers need have little fear on account of falling wheat prices because prices would keep up for cattle, pigs and poultry.

MORNING DESPATCHES

BOLSHEVISTS ATTEMPT NEW REVOLUTION AT BERLIN.

BERLIN, Mar. 5—New revolution started in Berlin by Spartacans, police seized, all street car and other traffic stopped and restaurants close, also telephone service suspended.

GERMANY TO PAY THREE BILLIONS FOR 50 YEARS

LONDON, Mar. 5—A Paris despatch says the Allies propose Germany shall pay three billion dollars a year for fifty years.

SOMETHING MUST BE DONE AT ONCE IN GERMANY

PARIS, Mar. 5—Reports from Germany to the American Mission say that unless something is done at once the entire country will be thrown into the hands of the Bolsheviks.

Pastor Married in Ireland

Brockville, March 5.—News has been received here of the marriage of Capt. Rev. G. A. Clarke, B.A., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Clarke, Port Hope to Miss Annie L., daughter of Isaac Champ, of Coolegagan Park, County Kildare, Ireland. Capt. Clarke was at one time pastor of the First Baptist church here, and his bride is also a former resident. They will return to Canada in the spring, when Capt. Clarke will assume the pastorate of the First Baptist church in Edmonton, Alta.

Sudden Death

Another of Port Hope's highly esteemed residents, Mrs. William Davidson passed suddenly away this morning. About two months ago Mrs. Davidson suffered a stroke of paralysis, since which time she has been making her home with her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Garnett. Her progress was so favorable that she returned to her own home about ten days ago. Her condition continued to improve and her ultimate recovery was confidently expected. This morning while preparing breakfast she suffered another stroke and died before medical aid could arrive.—Port Hope Guide.

Youngster Takes Dangerous Ride

Little Belleville Boy Takes Observation Trip to Trenton.

Yesterday afternoon a little boy named "Sandy" Smith, four-year-old son of Mr. Harry Smith, 4 Wharf St., complacently got up inside the railing of the observation coach of the C.P.R. passenger train which leaves Belleville for Trenton about three o'clock and took his seat there. The train started off, but he was noticed by railway men at the depot after the train got under motion. His position was a perilous one as he sat with his feet swinging below the step of the fast moving train. It was a fine day and the youngster seemed to enjoy it. The C.P.R. operator flashed a message to Trenton for officials there to look out for the juvenile and detain him until friends came from Belleville to bring him home. As the train steamed into Trenton, little Mr. Smith was still aboard unconscious of any worry over him. He was taken off and looked after at the depot.

His father went up to Trenton on the 5 o'clock train and brought the youthful voyager back at 6 o'clock.

Had the boy fallen from his position he could scarcely have escaped fatal injuries. His friends were greatly worried over his escapade until he was returned home.

The youngster told some one he was going to Toronto. The boy was able to tell his name and address.

Iroquois Club Scores A Big Success

Under the auspices of the Iroquois Club a grand assembly was held Monday evening, March 3rd, in the Bennett Academy, Front St. It was without doubt one of the most successful dances ever held by this club. Over one hundred invited couples danced to the strain of the Snell Orchestra of Toronto, which was all that could be desired. The hall was very prettily decorated in red and white, the colors of the club and with the beautiful gowns worn by the ladies and the evening dress of the men made a very attractive scene.

At midnight a very dainty luncheon was served. A number of the guests were from outside points, namely, Brighton, Trenton, Strilings, Deseronto and Kingston. The programme was composed of popular and modern music. The committee, composed of the following young men, are to be congratulated as this like all the other Iroquois dances, was one to be remembered.

Stewards: O. W. Rolph, W. V. Hogan, W. B. Bottom, H. F. Scantlebury, J. A. Diamond, H. L. Chown and F. J. McAlpine. The patronesses were, Mrs. S. McGuire, Mrs. H. Thompson, Mrs. F. J. McAlpine, Mrs. C. F. Wallace, Mrs. C. V. Mescher, Mrs. H. L. Chown, Mrs. F. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. W. B. Bottom and Mrs. F. V. Buckley.

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PRESIDENT WILSON'S DETERMINATION

NEW YORK, Mar. 5—In a speech last night President Wilson said he would not return from France until the League of Nations was an accomplished fact.

U. S. HAS CLAIM OF \$750,000,000 AGAINST GERMANY

PARIS, Mar. 5—America is the first nation to complete claims against Germany, naming seven hundred and fifty millions as the amount.

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