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FIVE THOUSAND ON THE WAY HOME

Several Vessels Sail From England With Canadian Troops — Administrative Offices Now All in Argyle House.

London, Sept. 5—(Canadian Associated Press)—The Canadian military establishment in England is daily becoming skeletonized. Five thousand troops sailed this week for Canada. The Minnedosa left on Tuesday carrying thirty-five officers and 275 other ranks. The Adriatic sailed on Wednesday and took a large number of officers with their families. The steamer Canada sailed yesterday for Quebec carrying family parties numbering in all about 627, and the Cedric left for Halifax with 437 family parties, including ninety-four officers.

The Cretic left today for New York carrying 125 officers with their families, and the Minnekada takes more than 2,000 men, this being about the last sailing of single soldiers. The Saturnia sailed today with forty-four officers and 160 married couples, and the Orduna will sail on Saturday with 192 officers and 387 families.

All the Canadian administrative offices are now congregated in Argyle House, every other building which they have occupied during the war being relinquished.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO CUT

Dealers in Competition in Greater New York and Food Prices Trouble.

New York, Sept. 4—It was learned last night that the campaign against food hoarding and profiteering in Greater New York has forced food prices down to such a degree that further reductions by the government on its surplus army food are necessary if its prices are to remain attractive.

FURNESS-WITHY PLANS

St. John Men in Executive Position—Tribute to Lieut.-Col. A. Montgomerie

Before leaving St. John's, Nfld., to come to this city, where he is taking over his duties as assistant manager of the Furness Withy & Co., Ltd., interests for the maritime provinces and Newfoundland, Lieut.-Col. A. Montgomerie, C. B. E., was the recipient of a farewell address and a piece of plate, subscribed by the members of the Patriotic Association and the board of trade of that city. The presentation took place at the offices of Furness, With & Co. and was made by Sir Joseph Yuterbridge, chairman of the executive committee of the Patriotic Association. He made reference to the excellent work carried out by Colonel Montgomerie in his various duties on the island and wished him every success in his new undertaking.

Colonel Montgomerie's record during the war has been a notable one and that it has been appreciated by the authorities in the motherland is evidenced by the fact that the honor of being made a Commander of the British Empire has been bestowed on him. Besides his work with the Patriotic Association, he served as chief recruiting officer for the island, district officer commanding Newfoundland, member of the military council, member of the military service board, deputy registrar of the military service act, officer in charge of demobilization in Newfoundland and member of the civil re-establishment board.

Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd., have taken over the controlling interests in the William Thomson & Co., Ltd., and have reorganized the company with the following officers: President, Mr. Montgomerie; vice-president, D. W. Ledingham, and secretary-treasurer, John A. Olive. Under the name of William Thomson & Co., Ltd., the insurance and brokerage and part of the steamship business will be carried on, while the Furness and Manchester lines will be operated from here by Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd.

Mr. Montgomerie will make his headquarters in St. John, while Mr. Ledingham will act as local manager for the both businesses.

WIRES DOWN; NEWS SERVICE AFFECTED

A pile-driving machine in operation on the railway tracks between Drew and Mattewamkeag, Me., this morning was responsible for a break in the C. P. R. telegraph service. It toppled over poles and knocked down the wires somewhere between these points, including not only their other business wires, but that of the Canadian Press. Linemen were sent out from Megantic and Mattewamkeag in motors to repair the damage.

Roumania and the Allies

Paris, Sept. 4—The ministry of war at Paris has received a wireless message according to the Intransigeant, which says that the Roumanian delegation has sent seventy-five radiograms from Paris during the last two weeks, but that none has arrived at its destination.

PADEREWSKI SAYS HUNS ARE SEEKING VICTORY IN THE EAST

Says Poles Are Forced to Face Enemy Troops

DECLARES SITUATION DESPERATE

Roumanian Premier Says Allied Notes Have Not Been Received But Makes Protest Against "Pernicious Character of Policy" Allies Have Adopted Toward Roumania

Paris, Sept. 5—"Germany ,defeated on the west, has turned to the east, where she is waging a battle with the hope of achieving the victory she could not win on the other fronts," said Ignace Jan Paderewski, Polish premier, to the Associated Press while discussing Polish conditions. M. Paderewski will appear before the supreme council of the peace conference to discuss the critical situation in Teschen and Silesia.

"In upper Silesia, East Prussia, Lithuania, along the Bolshevik front in the vicinity of Minsk and along the Ukrainian front," he said, "Polish armies are forced to face armed enemy troops. Where these enemies are not Germans, they are aided by Germans, who are urging the Bolsheviki forces forward in every way to embarrass Poland. Our new government, with limited supplies and little clothing for its army, finds the situation desperate.

"We must rely on our friends to refute slanders and keep faith in us. Our people have resisted the blandishments of Bolshevism so far, but there is a limit

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THE POLICE COURT LIKE YOUNG WOMEN'S BOUDOIR

In the police court this morning a case against Stella Gordon, charged with stealing goods and money from Miss Mary Patton and Miss Frances Babine, her roommates, in a lodging house in Union street, was resumed. Some of the articles missing and identified this morning were toilet articles. The magistrate seemed somewhat bewildered as the goods were passed over and thorough explanations as to what these articles were and what they were used for.

Miss Babine told the court that her home was in Digby county, N. S., but she was employed in the Boston restaurant, Charlotte street. She said that on Sunday night the defendant came into the restaurant and, having no place to stay, she took the girl to her room for the night. The articles were then handed to the witness and she identified them as follows: A pink comb, to which the magistrate said: "I suppose you wear that to a "pink tea;" an embroidery hoop, a pair of kid gloves, pin bar, brooch, nail cutter, nail file, a looking glass in purse, a small money bank, hair curlers. To this, the magistrate remarked, "What a lot of things you girls wear; I tell you we are learning things today." The next articles were five handkerchiefs and the magistrate said, "O yes, I have heard of these;" a barrette, which the witness took for granted the magistrate knew about, but he said, "Why, you talk as if I ought to know what you mean? I never heard of lots of these things before." A bottle of perfumery, belonging to Miss Babine, and a towel belonging to Mrs. Cameron, the landlady, were identified by the witness. Some picture postcards were also put in evidence.

Miss Mary Patton said her home was in Portland, Maine, and she had been in the city since February. She identified a part of a manicure set, a box of cutex and a powder puff, which the magistrate looked at very thoughtfully for some time, then said, "What is it? a baby cushion to put under a doll's head?" The witness said, "No, it is a powder puff for the face." The magistrate asked, "What kind of 'sache' do you use?" and the witness said "Djerkiss." "I suppose there are different kinds, some for people of light complexion and others for people of dark complexion." The magistrate said, "All you girls think of is powder puffs and mirrors," and he advised them to go home to their parents. Miss Patton said she lost $2 but could not say the defendant took it. The defendant was remanded.

A case against Thomas Short, who is charged with having liquor in his possession, was resumed. The defendant said he was in the rear of a restaurant in Union street and had been there for a short time having a light lunch, but had gone out into the kitchen to have a smoke. He denied having liquor in his possession, but said that he had taken five drinks of intoxicating liquor during the day, in his own house, in Carleton street.

A bottle of whiskey was produced in court which Inspector Merryfield said he took from Thomas Short. The case was postponed until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. E. S. Ritchie appeared for the defendant.

Three men charged with drunkenness were each fined $8 or two months in jail.

South African Government.

Capetown, Sept. 5—(Reuter's)—There has been no material change in the cabinet portfolios as a result of the change in premiership, as a result of the death of General Louis Botha, excepting that General Smuts has also taken the portfolio of foreign affairs in addition to that of defence.

"PETER" SCHILLING

A great many people will recognize this photo of Frederick Peter Schilling, that quaint, eccentric little man who was for more than half a century one of the public characters in St. John, and who passed away this week at the Municipal Home at the age of ninety-six years.

GRIEF TURNS TO JOY IN BRIDGE STREET HOME

Report of Death of John Lynch in Salt Lake City Proves a Mistake

There is joy in the home of Mrs. Dennis Lynch, 187 Bridge street as the result of a telegram received yesterday which dispelled sad news previously received. One of her sons, John Lynch, has been in the west for some time and has been located in Salt Lake City, Utah. The household was plunged into grief a few days ago and relatives and friends were extending heartfelt sympathy over a report of his death which came in a telegram to his sister, Miss Elizabeth Lynch saying that he had died after an automobile accident. A further telegram of enquiry brought other particulars confirming the sad tidings, yet another was sent asking for a description of the dead man, the mother clinging to a hope that it might not be her son.

The answer was received yesterday saying that the man who had been killed was "John Lynch, a returned soldier, discharged at Victoria, June 26, 1919, aged 42." There were descriptive marks not in agreement with the former North End boy, but saying his "army papers gave the name of his nearest relative, Elizabeth Lynch, St. John's, N. F., Canada." This explains how the original telegram came to be addressed to the young man's sister, Miss Elizabeth, who lives at home, both her name and that of her brother by a coincidence being similar to those of the others concerned.

Mrs. Lynch, happy in her mother's heart, is naturally thankful but after the grief she has experienced in the period of uncertainty, feels much sorrow for the family of the other man as well.

UNION CARDS SERVE TO BLOCK EVICTIONS

Some 450 Families Who Were In Rent Strike Were to Have Been Turned Out Today

New York, Sept. 5—Eviction of 450 families in the Flushing avenue and Wallabout section of Brooklyn was foiled temporarily yesterday when the tenants, organized as "rent strikers" in the Williamsburg Tenants' League, exhibited their union cards and the borough's unionized evictors refused to move them out.

The neighborhood has been in a turmoil for several days, with women strikers patrolling the streets wearing signs across their breasts reading "Rent strike" in protest against increases in their rents. Seventeen tenement houses are affected.

Belgian Crown Prince

London, Sept. 5—According to a Brussels despatch in the Daily Telegraph, the King and Queen of Belgium will be accompanied on their visit to the United States by the Crown Prince. Their Majesties will spend at least a month in America and their tour will extend to most of the principal cities. They will leave Brussels probably on September 25.

As Hiram Sees It

The Settlement,
Sept. 5.

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Horabeam, "I perceive that we have been doing a grave injustice to those faithful guardians of our interests, the sugar refiners."

"I see that," said Hiram. "It's too bad."

"They just had to export that sugar," said the reporter. "However much it wrung their sympathetic hearts to do it, they just had to. They wanted to keep it for us, but it wouldn't stay. It threw itself aboard ship and demanded to be taken across the Atlantic."

"Yes," said Hiram, "an' them New York speculators looked at it every little while an' said, 'Oh, you sweet thing.'"

"I hope," said the reporter, "you are not one of those villains the indignant refiners tell us about, who have tons and tons of sugar hoarded in their cellars. If you were I positively couldn't stay in your house. It would not be fair to my friends the refiners, who are moving heaven and earth to meet the wants of all the people."

"May the Lord bless 'em," said Hiram. "No, I didn't hoard none. I knowed there was enough to go round if none of it got away. It's too bad. We orto do somethin' for them poor refiners. I do hate to see anybody suffer."

"We might start a drive," suggested the reporter, "and raise a national fund to tide them over."

"I know what to do," said Hiram. "Let all the dealers that's got butter an' eggs an' other stuff piled up in their warehouses an' cold storage open 'em up, an' charge the people so much to go an' look at it. Then hand the money over to the sugar refiners. Everybody 'd be crazy to see a big warehouse full o' butter or eggs. It 'ud draw better'n a fall fair—yes, sir."

"And the money," said the reporter, "would come out of the people."

"Of course," said Hiram, "the people pays—every time. That's what they're for."

"Well," said the reporter, "a friend of mine who saw the inside of a butter warehouse the other day admits he didn't think there was so much butter in the world. I've no doubt it would draw the crowd."

"There aint nothin' to beat it," said Hiram.

QUESTION OF FUTURE SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEBATED

Daily Meeting of Select Committee—Many Distinguished Witnesses—All Favor Reform But Differ In Method

London, Sept. 5—There is a growing interest in the question of the future system of government of India as the result of the daily publication of views expressed before the Joint Select Committee of the Lords and Commons.

The elaborate scheme propounded by Secretary of State Sir Edwin Montague and Lord Chelmsford, the vice-roy, was recently embodied in a bill to which the Commons gave second reading conditionally on the appointment of the joint committee before mentioned, which was to obtain the views of the various classes of Indian opinion, with the idea of inserting the committee's recommendation in the bill.

Numerous distinguished witnesses and deputations representing varied interests, religious and political, officials and commercial men, both European and Indian, came especially from India to give evidence. Their opinions differed considerably, but they generally agreed that some measure of reform was necessary. The Indians have been endeavoring to impress the committee with the necessity of liberalizing the central government more than the bill proposes. Objection was raised to retention of full control over fiscal policy by the government in London. Indian opinion, backed by eminent white educationists, does not see eye to eye with the government. India's desire is that secondary and higher education should come within the province of the latter, instead of being controlled by the provincial legisaltures.

A large body of Indian opinion favors the selection of provincial governors from prominent public men in England, and it is understood that Indians regard the prospect of liberalization of the bill more favorably than when the committee began its labors.

Belgium Keeps Its Coal.

Antwerp, Sept. 5—M. Jaspar, minister of economics, announced today that expotration of coal from Belgium has been strictly prohibited, the step being taken to safeguard Belgian industries.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service

Fine.

Maritime Probabilities — Moderate westerly winds, fair today and on Saturday with stationary or higher temperature.

INDUSTRIAL SITUATION IN THE MOTHERLAND IS LESS GRAVE

ITALIANS DON'T LIKE IT MUCH

Rome Paper is Caustic in Its Criticisms Over the Fiume Matter

Rome, Sept. 5—The conclusions attributed to the inter-Allied commission inquiring into the Fiume incident are so enormous, says the Giornale D'Italia, that they seem impossible as coming from representatives of governments with whom for five years Italy has lived in the brotherhood of arms, and to whom she has given luminous proofs of friendship. These conclusions ,if reports are true, are blows which would be hardly comprehensible, even if the communication, instead of being from Allied nations, had been composed of officials of the old Austrian empire.

Late in June there were several clashes between Italian and French troops in the city of Fiume, it being alleged by the Italians that the French soldiers in the city were antagonistic to the Italians and had trampled upon Italian flags which had been wrested from Italians in the streets. The Council of Five of the peace conference appointed a commission to investigate the trouble. This commission completed its work some time ago, but the text of its report has not yet been made public.

Paris, Sept. 5—It is understood that the commission of Allied generals sent to Fiume to investigate disturbances there in which French soldiers were killed, has made recommendations to the peace conference which include maintanance of public order in Fiume by a British and American police force.

"GO TO IT OR CRAWL," SAYS BURNHAM, M.P. TO PETERBORO PEOPLE

Ottawa, Sept. 5—J. H. Burnham, M. P. for Peterboro, has made reply to a despatch sent last night from his native city in which it was stated that a petition was being circulated requesting his resignation because of his having taken his seat in the cross benches of the House of Commons. He has wired the Peterboro papers as follows:

"Telegraphic despatch states that petition is circulating in Peterboro for my retirement owing to my going to cross benches in protest of continuance of new Unionist party in power without to the people first. Since I regard it as a breach of faith with those who voted for unionism while the war lasted, I challenge the petitioners, if there are any, to get the announced backing of the union government, whereupon I will immediately resign my seat and appeal to the people. Go to it now or crawl."

WILSON CALLS ON LEAGUE OPPONENTS TO OFFER BETTER PLAN

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 5—"Put up or shut up," was the advice given opponents of the League of Nations by President Wilson here last night in the second address of his 10,000 mile tour of the United States. "If the critics of the league have something better to suggest," said the president, "I hope they will hold their convention and do it now."

He said the League of Nations' opponents could not hope to defeat the programme except by offering something better.

WINS CASE AGAINST GEO. J. GOULD; GETS A JUDGMENT FOR $728,583

Amsterdam, N. Y., Sept. 5—Supreme Court Justice Henry V. Borst has handed down a decision in the case of Chas. H. Kavanaugh against George J. Gould, directing a judgment against the defendant in the sum of $728,583.

This is the conclusion of legal actions against the directors of the Trust Company of the Republic of New York, which were first brought by Mr. Kavanaugh in 1904.

He was a stockholder in the company, and sued all the directors for losses which, he contended, were the direct result of their negligence and mismanagement.

C. N. R. SHOWS GAIN IN GROSS EARNINGS

Toronto, Sept. 5—The gross earnings of the Canadian National Railways for the week ended Aug. 31, 1919, were $2,774,846, an increase of $297,186 over the gross earnings for the corresponding period last year.

ON HOLIDAYS.

Detective Kenneth Donahue is spending a few holidays in Campbellton.

Unrest Lessoned Since Country's Condition Became Known

A BIT AFRAID OF WINTER PRICES

Upward Movement Might Mean Renewal of Strike Agitation—Important Glasgow Trades Congress Next Week — General Feeling Against "Direct Action" or National Strike

London, Sept. 5—(By the Associated Press)—The industrial situation in Great Britain appears far less grave than it was a few months ago, when there was a threat of a complete upheaval of labor. Since the settlement of the Yorkshire strike there has been no trouble of great magnitude, although small strikes in various industries are still frequent and tramway workers are threatening a national walk-out if a wage advance is not granted.

Generally, however, unrest throughout the country has been lessened since ministerial revelations of the nation's grave financial position which seem to have had a moderating influence. Influential labor leaders have done their utmost to impress workers with the imperative need for speeding up the industrial output and, moreover, the government has promised early legislation providing for a forty-eight hour week and a minimum wage for all industries.

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STILL IN DOUBT AS TO THE SITUATION IN MONTENEGRO

London, Sept. 5 — The Montenegrin situation, which a week ago was viewed with alarm by government officials here, remains obscure. It is authoritatively stated that, notwithstanding denials from the Serbians, the country is in a state of general revolt. The war office believes that something of a serious nature has occurred or is occurring, and it is strongly suspected that a rigid censorship was clamped down after the first reports of the uprisings.

MONCTON HOME BURNED

Moncton, N. B., Sept. 5—The residence of William Stevens, Sunny Brae, was destroyed by fire early this morning. The Moncton fire department responded to a call for help, and with difficulty succeeded in saving the adjoining house, belonging to Thomas Stevens. William Stevens' house and all its contents, except a few articles of furniture, were completely destroyed. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens were not at home, having left last evening on the maritime express for Montreal. Only a week ago Mr. Stevens' son, William, was killed in the government railway yards here while employed as car checker.

While Benjamin McInnis, a taxi driver, was en route to Berry's Mills last evening, his auto took fire and was completely destroyed.

FRENCH FARMERS PROTEST AGAINST MEASURES TO REDUCE COST OF LIVING

Blois, France, Sept. 5—Delegates representing 110,000 farmers in central and western France, in session here today, protested against measures to reduce the cost of living "of which the farmers are alone the victims," denounced all "measures for fixing prices, real or disguised," and asked that on all committees charged with establishing selling prices of foodstuffs farmers should have the same representation as consumers.

TRAINS COLLIDE; 13 PEOPLE KILLED

Paris, Sept. 5—Thirteen persons were killed and forty injured in a collision between two trains near Toulouse this morning.

BELGIAN KING AND QUEEN TO SAIL ON SEPTEMBER 22 FOR UNITED STATES.

Brussels, Sept. 5—(Havas)—It is announced that King Albert and Queen Elizabeth, with Crown Prince Leopold, will sail on Sept. 22 for the United States. An American warship, it is said, will convey them.

VOTES FOR WOMEN IN ITALY ARE ARRANGED.

Rome, Sept. 5—The chamber of deputies yesterday passed the bill giving Italian women the right of suffrage.

In Memory of Botha.

London, Sept. 5—(Reuter's)—An impressive service in memory of General Botha was held today in Westminster Abbey. General Birdwood represented his majesty, and among others present were Right Hon. A. Bonar Law, Right Hon. G. A. Roberts and various high commissioners and representatives of state departments and numerous other distinguished persons.

MUNICH SAID TO BE IN TURMOIL

Attempt At Overthrow of Government Feared—"On the Edge of a Volcano."

Geneva, Sept. 5—A Constance despatch says that government troops have occupied the principal buildings in Munich. Strong patrols have been guarding the streets since Monday, as an attempt by Communists and Spartacans to overthrow the government was feared.

The Communists have been carrying out an active propaganda recently and have also secretly enrolled a considerable force, aided by the Monarchists.

"Munich," says the despatch, "is living on the edge of a volcano, which may erupt at any moment."

Telegraphic communication between Switzerland and Munich has been partially suspended and the exact situation in that city is unknown.

U. S. ARMY VETERAN SUICIDES IN LONDON

Found in Hotel With Bullet Hole in His Head—Wrote Letter to Relatives

London, Ont., Sept. 5—With a hole cut by a 45-50 calibre U. S. army pistol clean through his head Benjamin J. Disney, a discharged veteran of the United States army, was found dead in his room at the Grigg House. He registered there Saturday night as from Detroit, and is said to have been accompanied by a man who registered in at the same time, as "Black McCoy, Seattle."

Yesterday afternoon a loud report was heard by persons in the hotel, but it was believed at that time that an explosion had occurred in the muffler of an auto standing in the street, and the matter was given no further thought. This morning an effort was made to call Disney, but without avail. Later in the day the attempt was repeated, and when no response was secured the door was forced. It was locked from the inside, and Disney was in bed, dead. The gun, a heavy automatic, was beside him with six shells in the magazine and one discharged cartridge nearby. The bullet had passed through his brain and entered the pillow on the other side.

A note was found in the room with instructions to report "in case of death," to his father, Samuel Disney, 11315 West Mulberry street, Baltimore, Md.; his wife, Mrs. Jennie Disney, General Delivery, Portland, Oregon; and the Officer Commanding Demobilization Group, Camp Lee, Virginia.

VIENNA WROUGHT UP OVER PEACE TERMS

Geneva, Sept. 4—(By the Associated Press)—The Austrian peace terms have been received in Vienna with the greatest surprise and indignation according to advices reaching here. It is believed that the Renner ministry will fall as a consequence. Monarchist circles consider that the terms have definitely killed any hope of the return of the Hapsburgs. Former Emperor Charles, who received the news from Paris soon after the reply of the Allies was handed to the Austrian commission, has decided to leave Switzerland.

MEN OF PAS DE CALAIS WANT MORE MONEY

Lille, France, Sept. 5—Men engaged in reconstruction work in the department of Pas de Calais have struck, demanding seventeen francs for an eight-hour day instead of the existing average rate of 12½ francs. The strike committee estimates that 25,000 men are idle because of the trouble.

CARSON MAY NOT VISIT STATES SOON

Ulster Leader Says Time Will Be Fully Occupied at Home

Belfast, Sept. 5—Sir Edward Carson, Ulster leader, announced last night that he was undecided whether to visit the United States soon. The announcement was made during an address at an anti-home rule meeting. Sir Edward added that he thought his time would be "fully occupied here."

CANADA'S AID FOR IMPERIALS HERE

Ottawa, Sept. 5—The Soldier Settlement Board of Canada has issued regulations for the settlement of imperial soldiers or others of the British forces not resident in Canada at the outbreak of the war.

In order to become eligible for a loan those who are not experienced in agriculture will spend two years in training in practical farming, and those who have had farming experience in the old land sufficient time with farmers in Canada under supervision of the board to become familiar with Canadian methods.

IMPERIAL OIL CO. HAS HALIFAX FIRE

Halifax, Sept. 5—Fire broke out this morning in one of the stills of the Imperial Oil Company at Woodside, across the harbor from Halifax, but was extinguished without great difficulty by the company's own fighting force. Officials say that the damage occasioned was slight.