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**ON THE AGGRESSIVE**  
By Courier Leased Wire.

Amsterdam, July 5.—Armenian forces on the aggressive in Trans-Caucasia have established themselves well within this former Russian territory, according to reports from Kiev. The latest advices from this source, quoted by the Berlin Lokai Anzeiger, state that an Armenian force of 25,000 strong has occupied the city of Erivan, 115 miles south of Tiflis and nearly 50 miles inside the Trans-Caucasian border.

**REASONS FOR COAL CRISIS: WHAT IS NEEDED TO RELIEVE SITUATION**

**Inadequate Transportation, Labor Shortage and Lack of Directing Authority to Remedy Troubles Are Chief Reasons—Situation Not Hopeless if Taken Up in Time**

(New York Times)

As things to be done to change these conditions?

"The fact that the big plants in the city cannot get the coal in the sizes that they would naturally require tends in no small measure to deplete the domestic supply of coal. Anthracite coal is sent out in eight sizes, from the buckwheat size up. The smaller sizes, buckwheat and pea, are the kinds which plants ordinarily use. The egg size is almost entirely used for domestic purposes. At present owners of plants and buildings can't pick and choose, and are glad to take whatever they can get. A shipment of egg coal that would at normal times be diverted into channels for home consumption is grabbed up to-day by the man who needs it to keep his plant running. This means a drain on a source which already has been greatly reduced. Coal and bit, formerly considered almost worthless and used for such purposes as building up embankments or filling in ground, are now grabbed up on the market. Gains in the residue of bit of coal left over after the smallest sizes have been washed out. Silt is even finer than cull, and is really nothing more than coal dust. Both are being bought by plants which formerly would have scorned them. They are mixed with bituminous coal and used for heating and power-creating purposes.

"The situation is by no means hopeless if taken in time. The coal is there. It can be made worth while for men to go and work in the mining region, and there are a sufficient number of men in the country who have the requisite ability to take the reins in hand and get some order out of this chaos."

**A GENERAL COURT MARTIAL**

**Opens in Toronto With Very Wide Powers**

**Major Ashton of This City on the Tribunal**

Toronto, July 5.—With very wide powers, a general court martial, which is the highest form of military tribunal, opened its sittings at the Toronto Armouries yesterday trying seven soldiers who refused to subject themselves to military discipline, which is one of the most serious offences in the army. Six of the men were tried for "conscientious objectors." In the past similar offenders were subject to a district court martial, which could inflict a maximum sentence of two years. Yesterday's court, however, has power to sentence a soldier to death, or life imprisonment, and its wide powers were pointed out to the prisoners, when they were given an opportunity to make any statement with a view to mitigation of punishment. The accused soldiers, who were brought from Niagara Camp on Wednesday evening, were Privates Sam N. Sullivan, Eric Kitcher, and George Edwin Gray, who were exempted from the 1st Depot Battalion, 1st C.O.R.; T. G. Wilkie, E. T. Bradley, 1st Depot Battalion, 2nd C.O.R.; and C. C. Thompson, 2nd Depot Battalion, 2nd C.O.R.

Major Nellies Ashton of Brantford, is a member of the court. With the exception of Pte. George Edwin Gray, who was recently sentenced to two years at Burwash by a district court martial, was the first soldier to be tried. He pleaded guilty to the charge of refusing to wear the uniform. Thompson said that he had offered to join when taken to the Don Jail but had refused when he was taken to Burwash. A letter was submitted from Thompson while in jail to the effect that he would wear the uniform if given a chance.

"Eight years ago I received Christ as my Saviour," said Pte. Eric Kitcher, who pleaded guilty to refusing to obey orders. "Continuing, he said: "Eight years ago I saved me when I was on the road to perdition. I am a Christian, and it is to obey God that I take this stand." Robert McOlnick said he knew Kitcher to be a Christian of eight years' standing.

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Lettuce, bunch	2 for 15
Tomatoes, doz.	0 35
Asparagus, bunch	3 for 25
Green Peas, quart.	13
New beets, bunch, 10c.	3 for 25c
Meats	
Halibut, steak, lb.	30
Filleted herring, pr.	0 10
Salmon trout, lb.	0 20
Salmon, sea	0 30
Mixed fish	0 10
Herring, fresh	0 10
Meats	
Dry salt pork, lb.	0 30
Fresh Pork carcass	0 31
Bacon, back trim.	35
Bacon, back	0 45
Beef, bottling, lb.	0 20
Beef, roast, lb.	25
Beef, steak	30
Chickens, dressed	1 25
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**NEW YORK STOCKS.**

Kemper, Matthes and Co., 140 Dalhousie street, phone 184, quotes New York stocks, 1 p.m.:

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Jesus Christ. His father was present and stated that, as a soldier, he was not a soldier.

Although Pte. Ferguson T. Bradley belonged to no religious sect or organization, and did not attend any church, he refused to do military duty because he belonged to the Kingdom of God. He pleaded guilty to having refused to obey an order.

Counter to His Convictions.

Major Nellies Ashton was the next prisoner, Pte. Thomas G. Wilkie of Hamilton, after some deliberation, was allowed to give evidence. He gave the accused an excellent character and stated that he had given good satisfaction in the canteen. Capt. Hind, the prosecutor, also touched on evidence which appeared to be in the interests of the accused but, although the Judge Advocate intimated that it was "improper," Wilkie, who said he was a "Christian and Child of God," has a brother overseas. He made clear to the well-versed members of the court that his duty at Hamilton was his convictions would not allow him to serve. He served two sentences of detention for refusal to parade. He had been put into the khaki uniform by force.

**MORE POWER FOR PRESIDENT**

By Courier Leased Wire

Washington, July 5.—Consideration immediately by the House of the resolution authorizing the President to take over the telegraph, telephone, cable and radio systems was urged to-day by Chairman Sims of the Interstate Commerce Committee. The resolution, which has received the endorsements of President Wilson, Secretaries Baker and Daniels and Postmaster-General Burleson, was reported favorably yesterday at a brief holiday session.

**IN SIX DAYS**

By Courier Leased Wire

St. Johns, Nfld., July 5.—A \$2,000 victory bond, with Newfoundland was asked to raise in six weeks, was obtained by popular subscription in six days and it was announced to-day that the amount would be doubled.

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Prince Lichnowsky's revelations appear to be exciting some further heart-searchings in the Fatherland, and the Berlin Tag comes out with a plaintive confession of German "mis-calculations." This Berlin weekly writes:

"So many of our calculations have deceived us! We expected that British India would rise when the first shot was fired in Europe, but in reality thousands of Indians came over to fight with the British against us. We anticipated that the whole British Empire would be torn to pieces, but the colonies appear to be closer than ever to the Mother Country. We expected a triumphant rebellion in South Africa, and yet it turned out to be nothing but a fizzle. We expected trouble in Ireland, but instead she has sent thousands of her best soldiers against us. We anticipated that the party of 'peace at any price' would be dominant in England, but it melted away in the ardor to fight against the Germans. We reckoned that England was degenerate and incapable of placing any weight in the scale, but she seems to be our principal enemy.

"The same has been the case with France. We thought that France was degraded and divided, but we found her a formidable opponent. Those who led us into all these mistakes and miscalculations have laid upon themselves a heavy responsibility."

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