

BRITAIN AIDS RUSS. SOVIETS TO GET TRADE

Moscow Wireless Tells the World Nations Will Have to Recognize Soviets.

CRIMEAN VICTORIES CHANGE OPINIONS

Ukrainians Unable to Withstand Heavy Bolshevik Attacks on Volhynian Front.

London, Nov. 17.—A wireless message received from Moscow, the seat of the Russian Soviet Government, says:

"The destruction of the world's great impression on all western countries. There is information that England is carrying on agitation in the United States in favor of a renewal of trade relations with Soviet Russia. Foreign newspapers more and more frequently state that the United States government will not place obstacles in the way of its capitalist trading with Soviet Russia. There is no doubt that the western countries will be forced to recognize the Soviet government."

Reorganize the Crimea.

London, Nov. 17.—A Moscow communication received here by wireless today announces that reorganization of government in the Crimea has already been begun by the Bolsheviks.

"Our troops occupied Sebastopol on November 14," says the statement. "Revolutionary committees are being formed at Sebastopol and Yalta and order is being restored. We are registering tens of thousands of general Wrangel's former soldiers who abandoned their arms."

"In the Latin section," says the communication, "the Red cavalry have occupied the town of Yalta. In the direction of Perekop the enemy's resistance has been broken at the Perekop and the town of Yalta (50 miles northwest of Perekop-Podolsk) the Reds have defeated two enemy divisions and have captured points seven miles south of Perekop."

LEAGUE IS VERY MUCH ALIVE YET

So Declares Lord Robert Cecil in Reviewing 500,000 Pound Expense to Date.

Geneva, Nov. 17.—"Very much alive" is the condition of the League of Nations as shown by the report of the executive council, Lord Robert Cecil, of England, declared at today's session of the League here. Speaking on the report made by the council to the assembly, Lord Robert remarked:

"While it has been said in some countries that the League is dead, the council's report shows it to be very much alive."

Referring to criticisms of the League that it was spending all its time in going round to do nothing, Lord Robert said that the League's work would be set up well. He considered the report showed great progress has been made. The cost of the League to date has been £500,000, the delegate said. "This sounds like a large sum to some minds," he continued, "but compare the amount with a single day of the cost of the war and you have a ridiculous figure."

SCOTTISH PROHIBITION

London, Nov. 17.—Remits of the Scottish prohibition polls so far show no change in 196 districts. Twenty-four districts have voted for limitation of licenses and twenty-three for no licenses.

President Sends His Greetings To League of Nations

Head of United States Hopes Deliberations Will Benefit Whole World.

Washington, Nov. 17.—President Wilson, in a message sent today to Paul Hymans, President of the League of Nations assembly at Geneva, Switzerland, extended his personal greetings to the assembly and expressed the hope and belief that their labors will be of immense value to the whole civilized world.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA

Lorna Merrithew of St. John was killed when his automobile skidded into the ditch last night near Westboro.

Ukrainians presented to Premier Meighen a petition for a strike on all Government Railways if the Russian order stands.

Mr. A. C. Fawcett has been appointed temporary leader of the Farmer-Labor Independent party in the New Brunswick Legislature.

UNITED STATES

The undertaker who sold the wood alcohol mixture last Christmas in New York and so caused the death of 100 per cent, has been convicted.

EUROPE

Mr. King of Greece says he is ready to return to the throne any moment. Paris says the Allies will not permit such a thing.

FEW MINERS ARE ANXIOUS TO GO OUT ON STRIKE

International Union Can Give Only Partial Assistance if Walkout Called.

DELEGATE OBJECTS TO HIRING CLAUSES

Also Claims Men Should Not Be Forced to Accept Compulsory Arbitration.

Toro, N. S., Nov. 17.—It seems to be the general opinion that a strike is out of the question, said Delegate MacLeod of Cape Breton, speaking at the afternoon session of the Tororo United Mine Workers District 20 conference here this afternoon. MacLeod's remarks apparently retorted the view of the session of the conference. For over two hours sentiment swung for and against the agreement, and various delegates expressed various opinions.

Sibly Barrett, international board member, said that as far as he knew the international union was able to afford only partially effective assistance to district 20 in case of a strike.

ONE DELEGATE OBJECTS

William Hayes, member of the executive board, was the first opponent of the agreement to voice his sentiments, criticizing especially the clauses which vested the right with reservation of hiring and discharging employees in the company, placing the right to order employees to do certain work in the hands of the company, making arbitration compulsory, and that recommending a committee be appointed to consider the matter of fiscal privileges.

President Robert Baxter was the chief proponent of the agreement, urging that a clause in the proposed agreement with reference to the matter of hiring and discharging did not make miners helpless. No man, he said, was expected to do more than a full day's work.

Production Would Help

If production in Nova Scotia coal fields could be increased, President Baxter thought that a benefit would accrue to the miners who would be able to ask for increases in wages.

"We feel," he said, "that in submitting to this thing, we are putting ourselves in a position for further negotiations. This clause may give some men more work, but it is the pioneer of better things."

The agreement did not take away from the miner the right of direct action. Under the pact, the companies would deal with the mine committees as they had previously, he said.

BEST CONTRACT AVAILABLE

John Macdonald, of Glace Bay, fore shadowed the possible protection of some alternative recommendation from the conference other than for the adoption of rejection of the Montreal agreement, when he said, "This contract may not be ideal, but it is the best other men can get. What is the alternative to acceptance, are you going to stay the way you are?"

ST. LAWRENCE CLOSING

Montreal, Nov. 17.—Consistent with the winter conditions of today, notice was issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries that the government steamers will begin operations Monday next in the removal of the ice floes in the St. Lawrence which will be replaced by winter buoys.

COMING TO ST. JOHN

The steamer Betula, of the Water-Dispatch Line, is due at Sydney, N. S., from Liverpool, next Saturday where she will load 1,500 tons of steel plates. After that the vessel will proceed to St. John, N. B., and will load for South African ports.

HANNA ORDER MAY LEAD TO C. N. R. STRIKE

Manitoba M.P.P., ex-Railwayman, Delivers Ultimatum to Premier Meighen.

DEMAND HANNA STAY HIS HAND

Prime Minister Gave Little Comfort to C. N. R. Employees in Brief Interview.

Winnipeg, Nov. 17.—"A complete stoppage of all Canadian Government Railways will take place almost immediately and your government will be held by the public moral responsibility if President Hanna does not back down his order," in these words A. B. Woods, member-delegate for Springfield virtually delivered a strike ultimatum to Hon. Arthur Meighen on Tuesday night.

The Prime Minister took the attitude that the parliament of Canada alone, and not the government could dictate in this matter to Mr. Hanna.

Only Brief Stop.

Mr. Meighen's statement constituted a dramatic close to a hurried conference with a delegation of the Great War Veterans' Association held with the Premier. The train stopped only twenty minutes and discussion of the several matters brought up necessarily was limited.

As it was the final words were punctuated by the conductor's cry of "all aboard."

Mr. Meighen had replied: "What would you have us do? Would you have us do absolutely nothing in principle and politically interfere and ask for the resignation of the directors?"

Wants Hanna Stopped.

"No," replied Mr. Meighen, "but I would like to see you stay his hand until the parliament of Canada has made a decision in this matter."

"To this the Prime Minister rejoined that Mr. Hanna already knew that parliament, and parliament only, could instruct the C. N. R. directors and management in the matter."

HUDSON BAY CO. MAY HAVE RIGHT TO SELL LIQUOR

Perpetual Clause in Original Charter May Clash With Dry Provinces.

Ottawa, Nov. 17.—News of the discovery of a clause in the Western Bay charter, which gives the Hudson Bay company, with privilege in perpetuity of making and selling liquor is discussed here. There is no question that the "Company of Adventurers" better known as the Hudson Bay company, had a wide open charter under the common law of England, giving authority to do practically what it pleased.

The charter, however, was somewhat modified before Manitoba entered Confederation, and the question of what are the present rights is a matter of legal dispute.

When Manitoba went dry the company asserted its charter rights, but under protest, closed its liquor stores in Winnipeg. It now applies to the Dominion Government for authority to transport liquor in limited quantities for use by its men at the various posts, but it has been refused at St. John's for export to other provinces.

The understanding here is that the dispute as to the perpetual privilege of the company under its ancient charter, and the authority of the Province under the terms of the act of last session, is to go to the court for final adjudication.

EXTEND PERIOD FOR FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION TO FORMER SOLDIERS

London, Nov. 17.—Colonel Attery, under secretary of state for the colonies, announced in the House of Commons tonight, that the period within which application may be made by ex-servicemen for free passages to other parts of the Empire, had been extended to December 31, 1921. Applicants who applied and who were approved before that date, could avail themselves of the privilege at any time before December 31, 1921.

FIRE AT FREDERICTON

Special to The Standard

Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 17.—The fire department was called out tonight for a blaze in the residence of John De Long, 126 Queen street. The outbreak was in between the floors and stubbornly resisted for a time the efforts of the firemen to conquer it.

The damage done was covered by insurance.

ABANDON CUBAN AID

New York, Nov. 17.—Plans of United States and Cuban bankers to make over loans of between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000 held by Cuban bankers against sugar growers of the island have been abandoned, it was announced after a series of conferences here today.

HONORED AT LEAGUE

Geneva, Nov. 17.—The Rt. Hon. Arthur J. Balfour of the British delegation was today elected chairman of the commission on general arbitration by the League of Nations assembly.

SPRACKLIN IS ALWAYS TARGET OF RUM GANGS

Fighting Parson Tells Church Congregations His Life Has Been Threatened Often.

Never Sits Beside Window Any More

Auto Followed on Roads by Spies and Must be Indoors Always at Dark.

Rector, Nov. 17.—"Am I doing it all for the Lord Jesus Christ? I am thinking of my church, my work, my wife and my people," said Rev. A. G. L. Spracklin, of St. Andrew's, in a sermon at his experiences as licensee in charge of the church in St. John's.

After the recent sad event, a very sad thing, indeed, I thought I should not do this thing any more, but I do not know how clear my mind is this morning, after the past week's worries, the tragedy and what I have had to undergo during the past few months."

"I thought it would be a relief from the strain I have borne during the past two months, to have a Sunday off, but more than anything else I wished for a change in my surroundings, where the people love to go to church."

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SIR GEORGE FOSTER CLASHES WITH HEAD OF NATIONS' LEAGUE

President Hymans Failed to Stop Canadian Minister Who Demanded Information.

London, Nov. 17.—The Daily Telegraph's special correspondent to the conference of the League of Nations at Geneva, writes in his issue of today that the discussion consequent on the question of a substitute being provided for members of delegations in the event of some being absent from any caucus.

According to the correspondent, Sir George E. Foster, minister of trade and commerce for Canada, and delegate to the conference from Canada, rose to speak when a vote was being taken, but President Hymans for that reason did not allow him to proceed.

Foster went out

Sir George E. Foster persisted in his intention, but the president's majesty beat out a tattoo. The correspondent says:

"The Canadian raising his voice in a not altogether unobscured contest, eventually managed to have his own way. It was not very important, because all he had to state was that he did not understand the resolution. The president had declared the action carried, so Sir George will find him self bound by things he did not understand."

MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE CONSIDERS LUXURY TAX PROTEST

Montreal, Nov. 17.—Discussion of the luxury tax was taken up by the council of the Board of Trade this afternoon. Letters were submitted from the St. John and Halifax Boards of Trade urging its abolition and both bodies expressed the hope that the Montreal Board would also approach the government with regard to the tax. It was decided to wait until receipt of representations from the wholesale drygoods association of the board which is also considering the question before communicating with the government.

CHURCH WINDOWS ARE SMASHED IN BELFAST RIOTINGS

Belfast, Nov. 17.—In the rioting which broke out in Belfast this morning, an attempt was made to enter the Duncein Presbyterian school, but the doors had been fastened to the crowd exploded itself with smashing the windows, a process which was repeated on many houses along the line of advance.

The police were rushed by and shot an exciting twenty minutes

FAWCETT IS HEAD OF THE THIRD PARTY

Farmer, Labor and Independent Candidates, Victors and Vanquished, in Caucus.

NO AFFILIATION WITH OLD PARTIES

Provincial Policy for the Third Party Was Discussed by the Representatives.

Special to The Standard

Montreal, N. B., Nov. 17.—A meeting of the Farmer, Labor and Independent candidates, successful and unsuccessful, was held today in this city. The chief object of the meeting was the discussion of a provincial policy. The question of affiliating in the house with either one party or the other was discussed, and it was decided not to enter into any agreement with any party looking for affiliation.

Mr. A. C. Fawcett, member-delegate for Westmorland, was chosen temporary leader of the combined forces.

ONLY FIVE MEN LEFT IN ONE OF WRANGEL'S UNITS

Amazing Heroism of Anti-Reds Was Feature of Last Days' Fighting.

TRIED TO MAKE WAY TO MOUNTAINS

Cavalry Division Was Almost Wiped Out in the Awful Battle.

Constantinople, Nov. 17.—Allied forces here praise the heroism of General Wrangel's troops during the days of the Crimean campaign.

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WOOD ALCOHOL VENDOR IS FOUND GUILTY SPEEDILY

Over 100 Persons Were Killed by the Concealed Undertaker Made.

New York, Nov. 15.—A jury in Brooklyn Supreme Court tonight took less than an hour to find John Romanello, Brooklyn undertaker guilty of grand larceny in the first degree in connection with the theft of 1,000 gallons of alcohol which was colored and sold as whiskey last Christmas in various New England States and resulted in the deaths of about 100 scores of others were blinded by drinking concoctions in which the wood alcohol had been mixed. Romanello showed no emotion as the foreman pronounced the verdict. He will be sentenced by Justice Kappner on Monday.

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Dangerous State Prevails in India Secretary Asserts

Government of That Land Given Free Hand to Deal With Situation.

London, Nov. 17.—In the House of Commons Hon. Edward Samuel Montagu, secretary of state for India, admitted that a dangerous situation existed in that country and said that the government there would be left entirely free to take whatever steps it deemed necessary in dealing with it.

EXILED KING IS READY TO TAKE GREEK'S THRONE

But Paris Says Allies Will Not Permit Him to Return to Old Position.

CHANCES LESS AS DAYS PASS AWAY

Constantine Claims New Rulers of Greece Are Strong Monarchists and Friendly.

Lisbon, Nov. 17.—Former King Constantine made his first pronouncement respecting his attitude in the light of the Greek elections today.

"I cannot go as far as the head of the one political party, and therefore insist upon a plebiscite for my return or the return of one of my sons," he declared. "It is for the Greek people to decide."

"If the people want me, I shall return to Athens, unless of course, prevented by unjust forces."

Professor Georges Streit, former Greek Foreign Minister and close follower of former King Constantine, said that, according to the latest figures on the Greek elections received tonight, 237 out of 300 deputies elected were loyal to Constantine. He added that, excluding the 170,000,000 francs loan granted for the Venizelos.

FRANK A. KINNEAR DEAD AT MONCTON

Death of Brother Few Months Ago Hastened Collapse of Sick Man.

Special to The Standard

Moncton, N. B., Nov. 17.—The death of Frank A. Kinnear occurred at his home here shortly before one o'clock this morning. He was a son of the late William Stuart Kinnear, and was born at Shediac. He moved to Moncton at an early age and for many years occupied the position of foreman in the mechanical department of the Government Railway system. The late Mr. Kinnear had been in failing health for some time and was deeply affected by the death of his brother, R. F. Kinnear, some months ago. On Friday last he had an attack of acute indigestion with complications, a recurrence of which proved fatal. He is survived by one brother and three sisters. The brother is Fred H. Kinnear, of the purchasing agents department, C. E. R. Co., Toronto. The sisters are: Mrs. C. O. Rowe and Mrs. J. S. Boyd, Moncton, and Mrs. Walter Shaffer of New York.

Captain To Blame For Loss of Ship With 17 Sailors

"Cape Fear" Tragedy Due Lack of Skill and Criminal Negligence of Skipper.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 17.—Captain Harry Higgins, master of the concrete steamer Cape Fear, which was sunk on Newport, October 29, with a loss of seventeen lives in a collision with the Savannah liner City of Atlanta, was found guilty of violating pilot rules, unskillfulness and criminal negligence by the local board of the United States Steamboat Inspection Service. The board ordered Captain Higgins' license as master and pilot revoked.

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