

POLISH CAVALRY ENTERED KIEV ON SATURDAY

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POLES USE MODERN ARMORED TRAINS

Which Will Stand by With Reinforcements to Hold Kiev Against Any Counter Attacks.

Warsaw, May 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Polish cavalry entered the city of Kiev Saturday morning on the heels of the retreating Bolsheviks. The city has been evacuated by the Bolsheviks. The Polish infantry kept up its advance toward Kiev during the day. Cavalry detachments keeping in contact with the infantry forces. Kiev was entered by the cavalry men from the west.

Bolshevik Blasted Out.

The stiffest fighting engaged in by the Poles before they reached the outskirts of Kiev was along the Irpen River, just west of that city. The Bolsheviks, well entrenched defended the strip between the Irpen and the Dnieper until they were literally blasted from their positions.

The Poles first crossed the Irpen northwest of Kiev, near the mouth of the Dnieper early on Saturday after a three day fight before the city's gates. Soon afterwards the passage of the river was effected in force at various points over emergency bridges, some of which were built under the fire of the Bolshevik machine guns. The main Kiev railroad bridge across the Irpen, destroyed by the retreating enemy, by the use of soldiers, aided by the local population.

Infantry Struggle.

For two days the struggle was for the most part an infantry battle. By the end of that time, however, the retreating defenders had recovered sufficiently from their confusion to bring up artillery and put it into play. Meanwhile, the Poles also had brought up guns, but the progress of the artillery to the battlefield was much hampered by the rough country, the dynamited highways and bridges and various obstacles placed by the Bolsheviks in order to handicap the advancing Poles.

Polish Fire Intense.

It was early on Friday that the Soviet troops began gradually to give way before the Polish cannon fire on all sides. The defenders fell back upon Kiev where the only available crossing of the Dnieper was still intact. Modern armored trains from the South on the Polish side aided the infantry in the fight for the ancient Russian capital, but the advance along the railroad from Pustova was made under the greatest difficulties, because of the railroad being fired on from the Bolshevik guns in their positions along the chain of hills enclosing Kiev.

The army headquarters reports, covering Saturday's events, show that Polish troops in force were engaged in Kiev that afternoon and gradually moving forward. The twelve day fight through the Ukraine, the accounts said, was reached by the Polish and Ukrainian infantry expected to occupy Kiev Saturday night or Sunday morning.

Meanwhile an offensive was being launched to the North in Poland, on Saturday, by the Poles, according to the latest military communications which announced that the military commander was not to offset the Bolshevik concentration in the region beyond Mosaic. The first day's fighting resulted in the capture of Chotinsk, East of Mosaic, and a railroad town of Wasilowicz, North of Mosaic. Much material, the statement adds, was taken by the Poles. There was little fighting, according to reports reaching Polish headquarters in Warsaw, the cavalry going in to the city all day as the infantry advanced in a great semicircle. A few machine gun posts were fired in the early morning as the cavalry appeared, but this was quickly silenced, and reports say that the evacuation of Kiev began soon afterwards, or as soon as the advancing troops appeared in force.

POLICE OFFICERS KILL TWO MEN

Found Them Riffing a Desk in a Factory Office.

Boston, Mass., May 9.—William C. Sweeney, who was shot and wounded by Frank Milton, a patrolman, when discovered riffling a desk in a factory office last night, died in a hospital today. Milton shot and killed Sweeney's companion, Miles P. Day, according to Milton and another office who accompanied him. One of the men aimed a revolver at them when they switched on the lights and station immediately discharged his own weapon. The police said that Sweeney made a statement before his death, but they declined to give any indication as to the nature.

SIR ROBERT BORDEN IN HOUSE WEDNESDAY

In Time for the Introduction of the Current Budget.

Ottawa, May 9.—(Canadian Press)—Sir Robert Borden may not take his seat in the House of Commons until Wednesday, in time for the introduction of the current budget. There was some talk of the Prime Minister's returning to Ottawa tonight, but this is hardly likely and the general belief is that he will not return until Wednesday morning. He is at present in New York and may not come direct to Ottawa from that city.

NEW LUXURY TAX EXPECTED TO FEATURE

Budget Which Will Be Brought Down Wednesday—Probable Extension Business Profits Tax.

Ottawa, May 9.—(Canadian Press.)—Interest in the budget, which Sir Henry Drayton is expected to bring down on Wednesday, centers around the possibility of a new luxury tax, and the probable extension of the business profits tax to the fiscal year which has just begun. Some slight revision of the tariff is probable, but the general belief is that there will be few innovations in customs duties on staple commodities. The taxation of incomes may not be increased to any extent. It is expected, in some quarters, that revenues from this source will have to be increased, while in others it is suggested that the government will endeavor to shift the burden by means of a luxury tax which will be pretty general in its application, and by revising the business profits tax so as to permit of a continuation of liberal revenues from this source without handicapping essential industries.

There is a dearth of speculation in informed parliamentary circles as to the terms of the 1920 budget. Much of the burden of cost of demobilization has been wiped out in the past fiscal year and faced with extraordinary economic conditions, the government is not expected to bring in any radical changes in taxation for the coming year.

HIGHWAYMEN BUSY AT NEW GLASGOW

Officers Searching Woods for Men Who Robbed Coal Company Cashier of \$3,200

New Glasgow, May 9.—The police and searching parties were engaged all day in scouring the woods for the two men who, on Saturday, held up and robbed Cashier Campbell of the Greenwood Coal Company, and got away with \$3,200 in cash. The desperadoes are supposed to be two men who had been working in a nearby colliery for the past three weeks. They boarded at the Coal Company's house, and when their bunk was searched masks and other articles were found.

The police have a good description of them. About nine o'clock Saturday night two men answering the description, entered Reid's store, at Eureka, and purchased a quantity of provisions, and afterwards made off in the direction of the woods. One bullet from the highwayman's gun penetrated clear through Campbell's ankle, badly fracturing the bone.

ST. JOHN GIRL IN HONOR LIST

Passed for Degree of Bachelor of Arts at McGill University.

Montreal, May 9.—Among the results of degrees and honors list announced Saturday by McGill University, the following students passed for the degree of Bachelor of Arts: Angus H. McLean, Oranoguel, N. S.; Cecil Wray, Toronto, Ont.; Sarah Symonds Cameron, Sydney, N. S.; Gwendolyn Gordon Ervine, St. John, N. B.; Brenda Macdonald, Halifax, N. S.; Jean Reid, Granville Ferry, N. S.

FRACTURES SKULL

Eighteen Months Old Child Falls from Window to Pavement.

Moncton, May 9.—Ronda Steveson, the eighteen-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Sutton Steveson, which fell from a window to a pavement, a distance of about thirteen feet, Saturday morning, is reported in a critical condition at the City Hospital tonight. The child's skull was fractured, and it is feared that the injuries will prove fatal.

GENERAL GARZA IS A REFUGEE ON AMERICAN SOIL

Following Defeat of His Troops at Nuevo Laredo He Flew Across Border to Texas.

PRISONERS OF WAR SLAUGHTERED

Before Commander of Carranza at Mexico City Left—Fifteen Generals Among Killed.

Laredo, Texas, May 9.—General Remigio Garza, commander of Federal forces in the Nuevo Laredo military district, tonight is a refugee on American soil. Following defeat of his troops and capture of Nuevo Laredo by revolutionaries today, the Carranza officer arrived in Laredo tonight and took refuge in the Mexican consulate.

General Garza, who ordered his troops to make a determined stand against the rebel attack on Nuevo Laredo at dawn, saw his defence crumpled after a short fight, and with his own escaped in an automobile pursued by rebels. The General eventually made a for the Rio Grande with his automobile followed by bullets.

Rebels Hold Vera Cruz

Galveston, Texas, May 9.—Unofficial reports reached here today saying that the revolutionaries entered Vera Cruz last night and today were everywhere occupying the city. President Carranza, the advice said, was hiding in Vera Cruz and his arrest was momentarily expected.

The report, which came through what is thought to be a reliable source said revolutionary forces entered Vera Cruz last night, then retreated because of the presence in the harbor of Mexican gunboats. Late today they again entered the city and began its occupation, the report said.

Have Mexico City

El Paso, Texas, May 9.—General Obregon's forces are in complete possession of Mexico City, according to announcements made in various papers today by the revolutionaries.

Destroyers South

Washington, May 9.—Official confirmation of the occupation of Mexico City by rebel forces was given today by the State Department from the American Embassy. There was no disorder and foreign consulates were not interfered with, the message said.

Four destroyers left Key West today for Tampico, Mexico, the Navy Department announced tonight. The remaining two destroyers of the six sent south from New York last week will also proceed to Tampico as soon as minor repairs are completed.

Blaughered Prisoners

El Paso, May 9.—General Francisco Murguía, Carranza military commander at Mexico City, before leaving the capital which now is in complete possession of revolutionaries, carried out a wholesale slaughter of political prisoners at Santiago, the military prison, according to a bulletin issued at revolutionary headquarters here tonight.

Fifteen Mexican generals were among those reported slaughtered. "The city is a bloody scene," the bulletin said.

AQUEDUCT EMPLOYEES THREATEN TO STRIKE

Waterworks Difficulties at Montreal Not Settled—Employees Say City Defaulted in Agreement.

Montreal, May 9.—City Director of Public Works Doucet, seen tonight on the question of the threatened strike of aqueduct employees of the city, on the ground that the promised wage increase had not been given them, stated that the city had lived fully up to its agreement with the men and that he knew of no cause of complaint.

It was announced tonight that the strike vote taken by the men Saturday night had not been completed and tomorrow, when they are expected to take a definite action on their grievances they claim they have with the city.

YOUNG EGYPTIANS KILL LIEUTENANT

British Troops in Cairo Restive Under Recent Attempts at Assassination.

Cairo, May 9.—The British troops in Cairo are restive under recent attempts at assassination, culminating last week in the number of a Lieutenant by four young Egyptians in one of the main thoroughfares. The assassin fired point blank at a range of a few feet.

A few days ago two British officers were shot and wounded. The police recently arrested a student agitator and his companions led to the arrest of others, who are believed to be directors of the so-called Venegense gang, which is sending out "blackhand" letters.

BENSON DEFENDS HIS ADMINISTRATION

Characterizes Sims' Charges as an Outrage and an Injustice to the Navy.

Washington, May 9.—Rear-Admiral Benson, former Chief of Operations, and an outraged and an injustice to the Navy. Containing his testimony before the Senate investigating committee, he said the charge, if allowed to stand, would be "to the everlasting disgrace of the American Navy, the first line of defence."

The safe transport of the American Army to France and back," said Admiral Benson, "was the most wonderful feat that had ever been dreamed of, and it shortened the war very materially."

Admiral Benson declared that never in the history of the world had a navy been expanded as rapidly as was that of the United States when America entered the war. The expansion, both in material and personnel, handicapped the department in carrying out its plans at first, but the close management of the American Navy with more than 500,000 officers and men, more even than there were in the British Navy.

IRREVOCABLE SPLIT IN LIBERAL ORGANIZATION

Disposition Among British Press and Politicians to Regard Situation Dangerous for Liberalism.

London, May 9.—(Canadian Associated Press.)—The press and politicians are emphatic in the view that the Liberal Party conflict means an irrevocable split in the organization. There is a disposition to regard the situation as even more dangerous for Liberalism than the Home Rule secession.

Steps have already been taken to organize purely Coalition Liberal election machinery. At present, Mr. Howarth and his colleagues are angry over the Leamington treatment. One Leamington supporter as a result of the Leamington experience is a visible sign that public opinion is turning party letters, and some independence of action is being shown by the withdrawal of the Coalitionists as clearing the situation.

The Daily News, which calls the Leamington incident a coalition rent, finds in the Prime Minister's position "a reason why the vote against Coalition was salutary and necessary." "Let Liberalism fight and lose for a while if it must," it says, "but let it at least not surrender to Coalition."

The Times is against Coalition, and thinks that the moral of the Liberal split is that a great part of the nation is tired of the incoherence of the present system.

WHEAT BOARD ISSUES NEW REGULATIONS

Winnipeg, Man., May 9.—(By Canadian Press.)—The Canadian Wheat Board issued new regulations, effective at midnight May 9, advancing the price to mills of all grades of Western wheat fifty-five cents per bushel, and British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec wheat forty cents per bushel. Another regulation, effective at the same time, increases the minimum selling price of bran and shorts to the extent of three dollars per ton.

ECREMENT AGAIN IN SPOTLIGHT, BEING HELD IN

Chicago on Suspicion of Connection With Negotiating Some of Securities Stolen in N. Y. Robbery.

FIGURED IN MONTREAL FRAUD

Case Where He Was Charged With Crooked Work in Connection With Race Pools.

Chicago, May 9.—A. H. Ecrement, said by the police to be wanted in New York in connection with the negotiating of some of the \$5,000,000 securities alleged to have been stolen by "Nicky" Arnstein and "Nick" Cohen, was under arrest here today. Ecrement, who had been living here under the name of C. E. Arvey, also was said to be wanted in Montreal and Buffalo in connection with an alleged \$125,000 wire-tapping swindle.

William Chavert, of the Canadian Federal Police, was in Chicago today conferring with the State's Attorney's office. He said he would return to Canada to learn if the Canadian authorities desired to ask extradition papers for Ecrement. The man admitted his name was Ecrement, the police said, and that he was a friend of Phillip Kasel, another man said to be wanted in the Arnstein case. Ecrement denied that he knew Arnstein, but was said to have identified a picture of Cohen as that of a man he met some time ago in Chicago.

Arthur Ecrement, notary and ex-M.P. in the Canadian Federal Parliament, was arrested in Montreal in January, 1919, on a charge of conspiracy to rob, the charge being laid by Michael Conolly, a connection with racing tracks at pool rooms in Montreal and other places. Much evidence was heard and a writ of prohibition was issued, which stopped the case, on the ground that the alleged conspiracy was charged to have occurred in a foreign country, and accordingly could not be tried in Canada. The superior Court quashed this writ. Arvey was taken by Ecrement, and last week the Court of Appeal maintained the judgment of the superior Court. Ecrement is under bail of \$40,000.

THE SINN FEINERS CONTINUE ATTACKS

Two Small Garrisons Raided Saturday Night—Dastardly Assaults Made.

Dublin, May 9.—The authorities are continuing their policy of shutting down the small police barracks in rural districts and sending the men to the larger central stations. Two organized attacks occurred at small barracks last night. At Clony, County Cork, the small garrison of seven, after a protracted fight, was compelled to surrender, one of the men being wounded.

The other raid was more serious. It took place at the village of Newtown, Hamilton, South Armagh, where 20 Sinn Feiners attacked the barracks garrisoned by five men. The fight lasted two and a half hours. The building was sprinkled with petrol and burned, driving the garrison into an out-house, where the men continued their gallant defence. The raiders ultimately retired.

SEVENTY-THREE YEARS A NOTARY

Father of Notarial Profession in Canada Dead at Age of 93 Years.

Montreal, May 9.—William Francis Lighthall, father of the notarial profession in Canada, died today at his residence 4131 Western Avenue, following a slight attack of paralysis. He was in his 93rd year and had been practicing as a notary for nearly 75 years, a longer period than any notary in Canada. He was born in 1827 at Troy, N. Y. He leaves two sons, W. D. Lighthall, K. C., and Geo. Harold, both prominent in Montreal public life and of whom the first is honorary secretary to the Canadian Union of Municipalities.

PREMIERS TO HAVE A CONFERENCE

It is Understood That Financial Matters Are to be Discussed.

Paris, May 9.—Premier Millerand and Minister of Finance Francois Marsal are expected to leave next Friday for Yverdon, where they will meet Premier Lloyd George, according to the Temps today. It has been foreseen that financial questions will be discussed by the Premiers at this conference, and that an agreement might be reached regarding the basis of the discussions to be held with the German representatives at Yverdon. According to the programme the French Ministers will return to Paris next Sunday evening.

DETECTIVE SERGT. SHOT AND WOUNDED

Saturday Morning While on His Way to Report for Duty at Dublin Castle.

Dublin, May 9.—A sergeant in the detective service named Revel, was shot and seriously wounded Saturday morning on Hysterborough Road, a business thoroughfare, while on his way to report for duty at Dublin castle. Two men shot the detective from behind and escaped. Revel wore a steel breast plate under his waistcoat, but the bullets struck unprotected portions of his body.

PRESIDENT CALLS UPON DEMOCRATS TO STAND

Squarely by the Treaty of Versailles and Against the Senate's Resolutions Favored by Lodge.

Washington, May 9.—A call to the campaign standing four square in favor of the Treaty of Versailles and against the Senate's reservations, was issued tonight by President Wilson in a telegram to Oregon Democratic leaders, made public at the White House.

Declaring that the party had "the honor of the nation" in its hands, the President said that the Lodge reservations, "were utterly inconsonant" with that honor as well as destructive of the role of world leadership which the United States must assume.

The only true Americanism, the President said, was that which "puts America in front of free nations and redoubles the great promises which we made to the world." It would be a violation of such promises, he said, to attach reservations to the treaty, which "whittle it down or weaken it as the republican leaders of the Senate have proposed to do."

WELL ORGANIZED GANG OF THIEVES

Engaged in Stealing from Cargoes on Their Way to Australia from English and American Ports.

London, May 9.—A despatch to the London "Times" from Sydney, N. S. W., says that recent experiences have indicated that a gang of men, with world-wide ramifications, are engaged in stealing from cargoes on their way to Australia from English and American ports.

The cost to shipping companies and merchants, it is said, has aggregated thousands of pounds sterling annually. The pilfering has taken place prior to shipment from the points of origin, during transmission, and after arrival at destinations. At Sydney 15,000 pounds sterling worth of goods have been stolen since Christmas time, and other ports have suffered in a similar manner.

As an indication of the extent to which the thieves are carrying out their work it may be mentioned that a piano, shipped from London, was taken from the shipping case and the shipment from Saturday afternoon, and supposedly containing contents of silk goods arrived at their destination in New Zealand, with boxes filled with swagging.

ALDERMAN HEAPS AT SYDNEY, N. S.

Sydney, N. S. W., May 9.—Alderman A. Hoops and F. H. Dunn of Winton arrived in Sydney on Sunday morning. Owing to the fact that the proper arrangements were not made, a meeting to have been held in that city in the afternoon was postponed. The evening Alderman Hoops and Mr. Dunn addressed a large gathering of labor men at Glades Bay.

MILITARY ACTIVE IN RUMANIA

Copenhagen, May 9.—The Politikon publishes a report from Thule Post that military preparations are proceeding in Rumania. Berlin newspapers say that the Rumanian Premier has gone to Warsaw to negotiate with General Plandek, the head of the Polish state, for an alliance against Russia.

IMPORTS REACH LARGEST TOTAL IN MANY YEARS

The Imports for Home Consumption Show an Increase of Over \$100,000,000 Over Last Year.

EXPORTS NOT EQUAL TO 1918 FIGURES

Exports to United Kingdom Falling off, But There is a Notable Increase in Exports to States.

Ottawa, May 9.—(Canadian Press.)—Canada's imports for consumption during the twelve months ending March 31 of this year, and upon which duty had to be paid, show an approximate increase of \$100,000,000 in value over the previous twelve months, according to a statement issued by the Bureau of Statistics. For the year just ended the total was \$203,048,811, as against \$103,470,717 for the previous year, and \$102,919,028 for the fiscal year of 1918. Free goods in the past year totalled \$70,879,858, or a total of imported goods for consumption of \$132,168,953.

Total exports of merchandise went to \$138,668,709, of which \$1,239,492, was shipped to Canada, and \$47,168,611 to foreign. This does not, however, reach the 1918 total exports, which was valued at \$1,588,106,792. A noteworthy fact, however, is that while exports to the United Kingdom are still falling away, those to the United States are still largely on the increase. Imports, however, from the old land continue to show a marked increase over 1918, while from the States the increase is less than 5 per cent.

Articles for the Army and Navy, imported during the fiscal year of 1919, totalled over \$50,000,000 in value, while for the year just ended, the aggregate was a little over a million and a half.

MARITIME PROVINCES TO BE WITHOUT UNITS

Frederickton Delegation to Ottawa Learns There is But Slight Chance of Military Units Being Established Here.

Special to The Standard, Fredericton, May 9.—Mayor John A. Hall and C. D. Richards, who went to Ottawa as representatives of the local organizations to discuss the location of a unit of the permanent military force in Fredericton as before the war, returned on Saturday afternoon. Mayor Hughes said the delegation had been given a most satisfactory hearing by Gen. Hugh Guthrie, the Minister of Militia, being introduced by Col. H. F. McLeod, M. P., who had arranged the interview the afternoon of their arrival, and they came away impressed with the belief that the location as to whether Fredericton will have a unit of the permanent force located here again is not so much, one of the choices as a local preference, but as to whether or not there will be any unit of the permanent force stationed in New Brunswick at all.

It is understood that the delegation learned while at Ottawa that the Militia Council have made a recommendation favoring entrenchment of the permanent force established in Canada, so that the Maritime Provinces, as well as British Columbia, would be without any units. The recommendation, it is said, was only recently made, and that there was an unexpected situation confronting the delegation upon their arrival in Ottawa.

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BURNED TO DEATH IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Elmhurst, N. Y., May 9.—Mrs. Helen Brogley of Newark, N. J., was burned to death early today when an automobile in which she was riding with three companions turned over a loose. John Day, of Long Island City, and Mrs. Freda Bartoli of Newark, and other occupants of the machine, were being held by the police. They were unharmed. The fourth occupant of the machine ran away after the accident.

WEDDING COUPLE AT IMPERIAL PRESS CONFERENCE

London, May 9.—By Canadian Associated Press.—The engagement of Sir Keverick Jones, chairman of Reuters, to Edith, only daughter of Colonel Arthur Bagrod, is announced. The wedding will take place on the eve of their departure for Canada for the Imperial Press Conference.

THREE PERSONS LOSE LIVES IN TENEMENT HOUSE FIRE

New York, May 9.—Three persons were burned to death and one other probably will die as the result of a fire in an East side tenement house early today. The fire, the origin of which is unknown, started in a hallway on the ground floor.