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ARREST OF KERENSKY REPORTED BUT NEWS IS NOT CONFIRMED

Germans Say Russian Army on North Front Has Joined Maximalists and is Marching on Capital—Some Opinions on Situation

Amsterdam, Nov. 9.—The Rheinische Westfälisch Zeitung, of Essen, Germany, publishes a Stockholm despatch saying that Premier Kerensky has been arrested.

London, Nov. 9.—A telegram reaching Amsterdam from a German source and forwarded by the Central News, says the Russian army on the northern front has joined the Maximalists and is marching on Petrograd.

Statement by Lenin

London, Nov. 9.—Several transports from Kronstadt arrived in Petrograd on Wednesday carrying the provisional government, says a despatch to the Daily News from Petrograd. The correspondent gives the following account from Nicolai Lenin's address to the council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates on Wednesday.

"The second revolution has been accomplished. We shall offer a peace acceptable to the proletariat of all countries, publish all secret treaties, take over all land and establish the control of workmen over industry. The council will be the accomplishment of the third social revolution."

London Opinion

London, Nov. 9.—That the Russian coup d'etat was engineered and subsidized by Germany for the purpose of eliminating Russia from among her enemies is the virtually unanimous opinion expressed in newspaper editorial comment.

The Times partly blames the Kerensky government for tolerating anarchy.

Before the Blow Fell

Petrograd, Wednesday, Nov. 7. (Delayed).—The preliminary parliament today adopted the following resolution in response to a request from Premier Kerensky for a vote of confidence.

"First—The armed demonstrations which have been in preparation for several days, and which aim at taking over all the power, threaten civil war, will create advantageous conditions for the programme of the movement, including mobilization of the Black Hundred and the culling of the Constituent Assembly, and will cause a military catastrophe, the ruin of the revolution, the annihilation of economic life and the absolute destruction of the country."

"Second—The soil for the success of such agitation has been prepared by the postponement of the carrying out of the absolutely necessary measures and, therefore, it is inadvisable to publish statements regarding the handing over of the land to the land committee and to take an open stand on a foreign policy in order to fight the signs of anarchy. It is necessary immediately to take measures, and to liquidate them, which will consist in forming in Petrograd of a committee of public safety from the representative organizations of the revolutionary democracy, who shall act in conjunction with the provisional government."

Trial of Korniloff

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—The military revolutionary committee has decided on the arrest and imprisonment in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul. They will be brought to trial before a military revolutionary tribunal.

Rebellion

New York, Nov. 9.—The Russkoye Slovo, a daily in New York city, publishes an editorial article signed by its editor, Leo Pasvolzky, in which he says: "The Bolsheviki calls this a coup d'etat, a revolution. But it is neither one nor the other. It is a rebellion, pure and simple. It is a revolt against the legally established government, recognized by the Russian people. It is a rebellion against the actions of Trotsky and his companions as a rebellion and as high treason."

"Russia will not follow the mad Petrograd. It is impossible that the Russian giant should not awaken from its terrible sleep, should not cast away from its eyes that bloody curtain which blinds its vision and darkens its mind. The Bolsheviki government in Petrograd will re-enact the bloody Paris commune. But this commune of our days will be shattered to splinters by cannon and machine guns. The rebellion will be crushed, and then the country will again come out upon the road that leads to the constituent assembly."

Kerensky Held Them Up

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—At a meeting of the congress of soldiers' and workmen's delegates last night a member of the revolutionary military committee said on Wednesday Premier Kerensky had Gatchina, 23 miles from Petrograd, addressed 6,000 soldiers and ordered them to proceed from the front to Petrograd.

Ambassador Hoped

Paris, Nov. 9.—"Those who thought the Russian revolution had been finished, made a mistake," said M. Makoff, Russian ambassador, in an interview which appears in the Petit Parisien, "alas, now the blood of the people will flow again in the streets of Petrograd."

"But however that may be the ad-

vent of the Maximalists to power can be only a momentary success. In my opinion is the supreme effort of the Maximalists. This desperate attempt, this daring stroke, can be only the signal for their downfall, and organization of the revolution in a national and patriotic sense which is bound to secure victory against enemies within and without.

"Russia, as a whole, is about to rally around a national government and form it a rampart of flesh and blood. A radical surgical operation was perhaps necessary, after the misunderstanding caused by General Korniloff's move, in order to assure the salvation of immortal Russia."

Appeal to Army

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—The congress of soldiers' and workmen's delegates today appealed to the Russian army to stand firm and to protect the revolution against imperialistic attempts until the new government had obtained a democratic peace.

The Women's Battalion

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—The women's battalion which was among the defenders of the Winter Palace, surrendered yesterday before the battle began.

Ex-Ministers in Prison

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—It is confirmed that the former ministers of the provisional government who were arrested by the military revolutionary committee have been incarcerated in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul.

The cabinet ministers placed under arrest were Minister of Trade and Industry, Komoroff; Minister of Public Welfare, Kishkin; Minister of Foreign Affairs, Terestchenko; Minister of Justice, Malynovitch and Minister of the Interior, Kishkin.

The confirmation was given by the commissioner in command of the fortress, who received the Associated Press correspondent and personally explained to him the details regarding the confinement of the ministers.

The cabinet members, he said, were all arrested at the Winter Palace after its surrender early this morning, where they were placed in solitary confinement, but were courteously treated. He gave the list of those taken into custody, in addition, Chief of Staff Bagratuni and many of his subordinates were arrested. The commissioner said he did not know the whereabouts of Premier Kerensky, who had "run away."

It is impossible at this hour to ascertain what the casualties were in the Winter Palace battle, although they are reported to have been many. The fighting proceeded with the rival forces earnestly in possession of a huge pile of wood stored in the plaza, a part of the city's winter fuel supply. The glare of an acridly illuminated positions of the forces in the plaza, while the rest of the city was in almost total darkness, this condition increasing the visibility of the flares from the guns of the cruisers on the position, which gave warning of the speedy burning of shells.

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PLANNING BIG DEMONSTRATION FOR SIR WILFRID

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CAUGHT IN CRUSH LAST NIGHT

Had to be Taken Out of Depot by Side Door—The Speeches Tonight—Stormy Time Over Soldier Candidate—Other Political News

Quebec, Nov. 9.—Friends of Sir Wilfrid Laurier prepared today to give the opening of his campaign tonight in Quebec.

The vacant staff positions of Military District No. 7 are gradually being filled up. Word was received at local headquarters this morning that Captain E. R. Blanchard would arrive in the city tomorrow morning and take over the position of commanding Royal Canadian Engineers of No. 7. Captain Blanchard, although not an overseas man, has had considerable experience along engineering lines. He was camp engineer at Valcartier this summer and last, and filled the position of chief engineer at St. John's, Quebec. He is a native of Truro, N. S.

Major Van Tuij, who has been looking after engineering activities in Military District No. 9, is in the city and will be in charge of the position of Captain Blanchard so far as New Brunswick is concerned will be tomorrow.

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Mrs. Carson was eighty-four years of age, and was born in Antrim, Ireland, and came to this country when quite young. Prior to the last four years, she had been in failing health, and on the day of her death she was suffering from a stroke of the brain. Her husband, James, died in 1908. She is survived by her two daughters, Mrs. Thomas Snodgrass and Mrs. J. Snodgrass of Milford, the sons are: John of Passakeag, James of Milford, William of Norton and Wilfred of Titusville.

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Wished It. The nomination was tendered to him some months ago. Mr. Lapointe referred to the military service act as "an immoral and unjust one" adding, "I stop there." He advised all the young men to register, so that they could vote, and the government would not try to enforce conscription during the general elections. If the government were sustained at the polls, he said, conscripts and officers might be expected at their

BELGIAN A SPY

Convicted in London and Sent To Penal Servitude For Life

London, Nov. 9.—Official announcement of the conviction of a Belgian as a spy was made today as follows: "A Belgian subject was tried by the general court martial in London on Sept. 24 and 25, on the charge that he had come to the United Kingdom with the intent to commit acts of espionage on behalf of the enemy. He was found guilty and sentenced to death. The sentence was duly confirmed, and subsequently was commuted to penal servitude for life."

LEASE GILLIS BUILDING

Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co. Ltd. Secure Larger Quarters

The rapid growth of their business has made it necessary for the local branch of the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co. Ltd., to secure premises that will give them even more room than the large building in Prince William street that they now occupy. In order to meet this need they have leased the Gillis building, formerly occupied by Comeau & Sheehan, and expect to occupy their new quarters by the first of the year.

Speaking of the conditions which have made the change imperative, K. N. Forbes, the local manager, said today that the growth of their business was due very largely to the steady industrial expansion which has been taking place in the province in spite of war conditions and partly on account of them. The erection of new manufacturing plants and the enlargement of existing industries had been responsible for a great increase in the demand for many of the lines they make or sell. The growth of their own business was thus a result of the general prosperity of the province.

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WHOLE TURK ARMY IN PALESTINE IS ON RUN; BRITISH ARE HOTLY PURSUING

London, Nov. 9.—The entire Turkish army in Palestine is retreating towards the north. British airplanes are following the retreating Turks and bombing them. Forty Turkish guns were captured, says the British official statement announcing the Ottoman retreat.

British and French naval forces are co-operating against the Turkish communications along the Mediterranean coast.

LOCAL NEWS

VICTORY LOAN CLOCK

Commissioner Fisher this morning gave permission for the erection of a large clock dial on the fountain in King square, opposite the head of King street, to record the progress of the victory loan campaign.

ONE APPLICATION

At Tribunal No. 38 consisting of Dr. James Manning and John Keefe, one man applied for exemption today on the grounds that he was the main support of the family. His appeal was heard but decision was withheld until next week.

FEW BEFORE TRIBUNALS.

There were no personal applications before the military tribunal at 42 Parliament street this morning. In fact, it is said that there has been only one so far. However, the members sitting have been kept busy considering cases that were before them next week. It was quiet today at all the tribunals.

RESIGNS AS CANDIDATE.

J. B. Hachey has resigned the candidature of the Conservative party in Gloucester county. He says that he is in harmony with the policy of the union government and will support it as at present constituted. He feels that parties should be eliminated entirely from the coming contest.

ATTENDED INAUGURATION

John Kerr returned today from Fredericton, where he was present at the inauguration of the lieutenant-governor. Mr. Kerr has been a life-long friend and ardent follower of Hon. Mr. Pugsley and made the trip to Fredericton to witness his inauguration.

MRS. ANNIE McGRATTAN DEAD

Mrs. Annie McGrattan, widow of Henry McGrattan who at one time was prominent in the granite cutting industry, died this morning at her home in St. George after a brief illness. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Murray of this city, and Miss Bessie, at home, and five sons, John, Edward, Louis and Charles of St. George and Leo of Sydney. The funeral will be held from her late residence in St. George on Monday.

SPRUCE LAKE REPAIRS

A diver is at work at the water supply intake at Spruce Lake this afternoon investigating the damage to the gatehouse. If it is found possible, the service will be continued through one gateway while repairs are being made to the other. Several days' work will be necessary and, if it is found necessary at any stage of the work to shut off the water supply, this will be done on Sunday when the least inconvenience will be caused.

C. G. R. AGREES.

A Moncton representative of the Canadian Government Railways called on Commissioner Fisher this morning to discuss improvements at Reed's Point where their rails run between the E. S. Co. warehouse and the new grain elevator. The tracks are not protected with plank between, and on each side as required by law and the commissioner has insisted that this work should be done. The railway official today suggested that it should be held over until a new track, which is to be placed there, is laid, but the commissioner insisted that the work must be done at once. Finally this was agreed to. The railway will raise its tracks to a proper level and protect them with plank. The city will then level off the approach so as to improve conditions for traffic.

HOW ARRAS HAS SUFFERED IN WAR

Arras, France, Nov. 9.—Only 229 buildings of a former total of 4,221 remain intact in Arras. During two and a half years of more or less continuous bombardment, 602 buildings were completely demolished, and 1,396 were beyond repair.

THEY PUT HIM IN A-2

Winnipeg Lawyer Was Believed To Have Faked in Eye Test

Winnipeg, Nov. 9.—It is learned that a special board appointed to examine a well known Winnipeg lawyer, believed to have faked his eyesight at one of the four boards he appeared before, has graded the barrister "A-2." This means that he is fit for the infantry service.

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