

RUSSAINS REGAIN SEVEN MILES IN FIVE DAYS

THE SITUATION IN RUSSIA APPEARS MUCH BRIGHTER

Troops Have Regained Seven Miles During Past Five Days—Germans Have More Troops Than Ever on Russian Front.

Washington, Sept. 17.—General Alex. Solf's appointment to supreme command of the Russian armies will be followed by a general re-organization in which old generals will give place to new ones.

First definite news of the re-organization was received at the Russian embassy today in despatches from Petrograd. Confidence of the troops is being restored by the removal of the former generals, the despatches said, and the situation is rapidly clearing. The Cossack movement is not considered serious any longer although it is not over yet.

In Good Shape.

The government is in good shape now, officials said, to quell anything in the nature of a counter-revolution, and can present a united front to the German foe.

The military situation is said to be progressing satisfactorily and the armies are fulfilling their task of keeping as many Germans as possible on the Russian front. This is indicated by the report that the Germans now have more troops than ever before on the Russian lines. During the last five days, the Russian troops have regained seven miles.

THE REV. C. W. GORDON (RALPH CONNOR) IS IN FAVOR OF CONSCRIPTION AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT

Conscription of Manhood, He Declares in Sermon, Is Only Reasonable and Fair Way of Dealing with the Problem.



Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 17.—Preaching to a crowded congregation last night, Rev. C. W. Gordon declared: "We must allow no differences to arise among us, we must not allow the voice of civil discord to be heard beyond our borders. Secondly we must have in this country, and must have it soon, united council and united administration of our affairs; we must have a united government to get the best results, and lastly, we must have a complete devotion of our resources—manhood, womanhood and material possessions, to the war effort."

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IMPORTANT RESOLUTION AT CONGRESS

Manitoba Council Introduces Long Resolve Which Will Likely Provoke Lively Debate.

Ottawa, Sept. 17.—One of the most important resolutions, as far as the Dominion of Canada is concerned, is that proposed by the Transcona, Manitoba, Trades and Labor Council, regarding conscription. The argument on the Russian resolution promises to be lengthy and lively and the final decision will be the attitude of organized labor of Canada on this most important issue.

The text of the resolution is as follows: "Whereas, this council, in common with other unions and labor councils throughout Canada, has gone on record as being absolutely opposed to conscription in any form whatsoever; and

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ATOPSY ON KING DEAD 200 YEARS

Attempt Made to Clear the Mystery in Death of Charles XII. of Sweden.

Stockholm, Sept. 17.—An autopsy on King Charles XII. Sweden's warrior king, killed in battle almost two hundred years ago, to determine whether the shot through the temple which caused his death came from the enemy's lines or from an assassin among his own men, has just been made here in an effort to clear up one of the mysteries of history.

The autopsy on the right side of the skull shattered, as would be indicated that it came from Frederick's fort, before which the king's forces lay entrenched, while a shot from the opposite direction would show that it was fired by a traitor in his own ranks.

The scientists who are conducting the investigation have not yet announced their conclusions and will not until they have made an effort to fit together the pieces of bone taken from the wound, but the indications are that the bullet entered the right temple and came, therefore, from the enemy.

The king's body was examined in the old Kalich's Church, where it lay in a simple coffin. It was covered with a linen shroud, with the arms at the sides the fingers meeting across the waist, the hands in a faded yellow wreath, placed there in January, 1719, the day he was buried. Those who viewed the dead king were struck by his masterful countenance, still bearing through all the years the look of a leader of men.

The wound, covered by patches of linen, was found to consist of a cleft in the skull beginning at the left corner of the left eye and extending at an angle of about forty-five degrees upward to the right for about three inches. A triangular piece of bone loosened by the bullet was still held in place by a deep depression. It was marked by a deep depression.

According to contemporary accounts of the king's death, he entered the trenches the evening of December 11, 1718 and went to a point opposite where the Danes had a battery. With him were the engineer who had planned the trenches and Siguer, the king's aide-de-camp. As Charles lay on the parapet of the trench, his head and shoulders exposed, an enemy cannon fired a load of grape-shot and the king fell dead.

Voltaire, who investigated the affair, reached the conclusion that the fatal shot should not have been fired by Siguer and must have been grape. The murder theory, however, once started, has persisted down to the present time.

The resolution was re-affirmed in all its particulars. While the congress cannot stultify itself to the degree of either withdrawing or contradicting this year, its firm and carefully thought out views on the question of conscription as embodied in the resolution of 1915 and 1916, still under our representation to the form of government, it is deemed in the interests of the Dominion or of the labor classes, to say or to do what that might prevent the results that they anticipate from the enforcement of such law."



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THE WEATHER

Maritime—Increasing easterly to northerly winds; local rains.

Northern New England—Fair Tuesday except rain in east and southern Maine, Wednesday fair; strong northerly to north winds.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 17.—Pressure is now highest over the Great Lakes while a depression seemingly of some energy is situated off the coast of Connecticut. The weather has been fine today in all parts of the Dominion.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

August Phases of the Moon

Full moon	3rd	11m.	a.m.
Last quarter	9th	56m.	p.m.
New moon	17th	21m.	p.m.
First quarter	25th	5m.	p.m.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. S.

Arrived Monday, September 17.

St. Mrs. Grand Manan, Wilsons Beach; Chignecto, Adroaste Harbor; schrs Ethel McLeod, Apple River; Regina, Meteghan River; Susie Pearl, St. Martins; Venus, Wilsons Beach.

Clear.

Strm Enters, Digby; schrs Shamrock, Maltland; Isma, Westport; Susie Pearl, St. Martins.

British Statement.

London, Sept. 17.—Troops of English and Scottish regiments made successful night on the German trenches in the Arras and Somme regions of the battlefront in France. Many Germans were killed in their dugouts and prisoners were taken.

French Statement.

Paris, Sept. 17.—German forces last night attacked the French position in Apremont forest in the Argonne. The official statement issued today by the French war office says the attack failed after a lively battle. There was a violent artillery duel west of Craonne and Massiges.

Naval Raid.

London, Sept. 17.—British naval seaplanes on Saturday made a bombing raid on enemy shipping between Blankenberge and Ostend, near Zebrugge. Bombs were dropped on destroyers and trawlers or drifters. One large destroyer was hit amidships and one, probably two, of a group of four trawlers were sunk.

In the evening, during a late patrol, one of the seaplanes was attacked by two German seaplanes, which were engaged by British escorting airplanes. One of the enemy was shot down in flames, and the other chased towards some enemy destroyers.

About ten a.m. yesterday the British patrol engaged a formation of enemy aircraft, destroying one and probably two.

FROZEN POULTRY STOCKS ARCHBISHOP'S DAUGHTER

LARGE IN THE COUNTRY TO BE MARRIED TODAY

Prices Are Considerably Lower Than Those for Fresh Killed Stock—Shipments to Britain Curtailed and Market Glutted.

N. R. DesBrisay of C. P. R., St. John, and Miss Charlotte Worrell to Wed in All Saints' Cathedral, Halifax.

There is an article of diet of which there are large stocks in storage in Canada and for which there has been practically no demand. This commodity is frozen poultry.

This unusual situation this year has been caused through the shortage of ocean tonnage. A large part of the stock which had been sold for export but could not be transported owing to the unavailability of refrigerated space.

Canadian consumers, in the past, have not taken kindly to frozen meats. This has been due, in part at least, to lack of suitable facilities for chilling, which has not properly done results in the meat being discolored and unattractive. The time has arrived, however, when the consumer is more and more on frozen meat products. In times of scarcity every advantage should be taken of the facilities provided to carry over the surplus from one season to the shortage of another. Properly de-frosted poultry, for instance, is equal in wholesomeness and nutritious as fresh-killed stock.

The public is invited, therefore, to ask for frozen poultry, of which there is a large supply, instead of fresh meat, broilers, ducks, geese, and turkeys. The trade advises that many of the prices considerably lower than those prevailing for fresh-killed stock at present available.

It is given as a suggestion that frozen poultry could be utilized economically as a substitute for beef and bacon at times. If special poultry or frozen meat days were arranged and individual retailers had prospects of handling a certain quantity, they could order accordingly, and all arrangements be made to the satisfaction of the consumer. As there is practically no other market at the present time, it would appear to be of distinct advantage to this country, in assisting to conserve its food products of other sorts, that poultry meat be utilized, insofar as possible, in the way suggested.

HARTLAND

Hartland, Sept. 17.—On Thursday the Church of England held a big picnic on the grounds adjoining their church lot, to raise funds to aid in the building of their new church, now under course of construction.

The weather man certainly poured out his blessing on the project by sending a clear, warm beautiful day after a cold, dark week. The usual games, such as shooting, bowling, etc., were indulged in by the young people; an ice cream and candy booth ministered to the children's happiness, while the band which has lately been reorganized furnished pleasing music for old and young.

About four hundred people were present on the grounds and the receipts clear of all expenses totalled the neat sum of \$290.

Members and friends of Lieut. John Barnett are glad to learn that his wounds are not serious, consisting of slight gunshot wounds in the left leg from which he is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. D. V. Foster, of Dunfries, who has been visiting friends here for some weeks, has returned to her home.

H. W. Annot, station agent, has returned from his vacation trip.

Mr. Robert Hunter, Miss Wilis Hunter, E.A. Mr. and Mrs. Garrahy, and Mrs. Campbell of St. John, attended the Church of England picnic on Thursday.

Miss Ella Kelley of Island Falls, Me., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Chas. B. Colwell of Middle Simonds.

ST. STEPHEN

St. Stephen, Sept. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McCluskey motored to St. Stephen and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Manford Robinson.

Miss Kathleen Stevens has returned to Hillsborough after visiting her friend, Miss Myrtle Ganong.

Mr. and Mrs. Longfellow of Machias are in St. Stephen attending the fair.

Miss Wright of Ontario is the guest of Miss Lyons.

Miss Ruth Clark leaves this week for Newton, Maine and will accept a position as teacher in a private school.

Mr. Will Richardson is much improved in health.

Mr. Kenneth McLean of Woodstock is registered at the Queen.

Miss Natalie Reid motored from St. John with friends during the week and was the guest of Mrs. James MacBride.

Upton Hill of New Haven, Conn., was in town en route to Wolfville, where he will assume his new duties at Acadia College.

Mrs. Ida McCann, daughter, Mrs. Melvin Baldwin, of Eureka, are visiting friends in town during fair week.

Mrs. Ada Poole, Mrs. Ernest Hobbins and Mrs. J. W. G. are guests in town.

Miss Alice Johnson of St. John is the guest of Miss Glenna Dinmore.

Miss Ethel Moore of Fredericton is visiting friends in town.

EASTERN CANADA TODAY

The Bay of Fundy, Digby Basin and the Annapolis Valley.

(By Prof. W. F. Osborne, in the Winnipeg Free Press.)

Wolfville, N. S.—I am writing these messages in part to refresh the memories of those in the West who know these Atlantic provinces; in part to help western Canadians to know our own east. Canada must be made to thrill with a common impulse. To that end mutual knowledge is required. We need to hold up each other's hands. We must tell ourselves that we are not a feeble folk, but the early generations of a mighty people. On the way from Winnipeg to Ottawa I heard Fred Wade tell many exciting stories about the Yukon. Between the Bay of Fundy and the Yonkoun what variety of richness of life and resources. The lines have fallen in pleasant places; yes, we have a goodly heritage.

St. John has a sort of exotic air to it. Looking down on the harbor from the Martello tower I thought how like the hill and shore there were to the ground travelled over by conquistadors in England or Ireland. As you climb the hilly streets of the city you are reminded of Quebec and Montreal. Offices with warehouses line the north and south streets and before the windows of these, sailing ships in this late year of grace rise with the ascending and sink with the falling tide.

The last evening I was at St. John I had dinner at the home of H. A. Powell, member of the International Waterways Commission. He spoke of Deacon and Waugh, and Isaac Campbell. His house looks over Queen Square, in which stands the spirited statue of Samuel de Champlain. The arm of the noble founder of Quebec is outstretched as if toward new horizons, in this Queen Square home I found a great library of at least five thousand volumes, the largest private collection in the Maritime Provinces, and one of the largest in the Dominion. The owner of the library quite evidently has a powerful mind and well furnished mind. He is of the sturdy John Bull type in appearance. The lion has its claws in all quarters of the globe. The conversation at the table turned predominantly on Bonar Law. My host went to school with the present chancellor of the exchequer in a small New Brunswick town.

Mr. Powell says that Bonar as a boy was turbulent, negligent of studies and popular. It appears that he was taken to Glasgow after the death of his mother, when he was about 12. His father was a Presbyterian minister, who, with his wife, were identified by their people. Mr. Powell recalled one of his sermons. The elder Law was preaching on the continuity to which Jesus was subjected in his last days. "They even spat on him. I suppose that you good people think that I, who have devoted my life to religious, might possibly have been able, like Jesus, to bear that insult. Nothing of the sort. I would have felled the miscreant with this right hand." That must certainly have been refreshing, and I do not wonder that so human a man was liked. Bonar Law is greatly changed since his boyhood days. He is now reserved and far from effusive, evidently very different from the boisterous 12-year-old.

Crossed Bay of Fundy

As I write these words I am crossing the Bay of Fundy. The day is perfect, despite the heavy fog that

ARE YOU EXPECTING FIGHTS WILL BE MOST IMPRESSION GROWS STRONGER Must be Another Year of Parading for Supreme Test

New York, Sept. 17.—A special dispatch to the Evening Sun from Washington today says: "Publication of Germany's reply to the Pope is awaited in Washington with only mild interest. From seemingly inspired press comments in Germany and Austria that have preceded, officials seem confident that it will not advance the case of peace. It is far as can be learned from these comments, it makes no attempt to discuss peace terms, though professing to fall in with the general views of the Vatican concerning the need for a lasting peace.

The impression grows stronger daily that there must be another year of war and the belief is held in many quarters that next year's fighting will surpass in every way anything that has yet occurred in the world conflict.

PREMIER BORDEN WATERS GIVEN DOMINION TRIP

Hon. W. T. Crothers Also Suggested Press of Villifying That Great Ovation Can "Were to Have Chopped and States Cheered."

Ottawa, Sept. 17.—The thirty-third annual convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of the Dominion of Canada opened here this morning at about 900 prominent union delegates from all parts of Canada assembled, and following a street parade, gathered in St. Patrick's hall for the formal opening session. At ten o'clock J. Cameron, president of the Ottawa Trades and Labor Council, who occupied the chair, opened the convention and welcomed the delegates.

On behalf of the city of Ottawa, Mayor Fisher welcomed the delegates.

Minister of Labor.

The chairman then called upon the Hon. W. T. Crothers, Minister of Labor, to address the delegates. As the minister wended his way through the crowd from the rear of the hall, one of the delegates arose and remarked to the chairman: "I do not see Mr. Crothers' name in the programme. I do not think that we should waste time by listening to that honorable gentleman."

A storm of protest arose from the delegates, and a point of order was established. Upon one of the committee stating that the convention was at present in the hands of the reception committee, it was unanimously decided to hear the Minister of Labor, and the protest was vetoed.

Mr. Crothers said he was glad of the opportunity of meeting them.

Many Wage Earners Overseas.

The Wage Earners, he declared, had played a most important part in the great struggle, about 150,000 of them being overseas fighting the great battle for right. The men were entitled to the greatest consideration, the men who had gone, those who were going and the men who had returned. Canada and Canada's people could only have the greatest admiration and pride for these noble sons of Canada.

Sir Robert Borden.

Sir Robert Borden entered the hall as Mr. Crothers concluded. His entrance was the signal for the greatest enthusiasm and cheer after cheer. After expressing pleasure at the opportunity of meeting the delegates, Sir Robert paid a high tribute to the great work accomplished by labor in the crisis of the past three years, and the magnificent part that the working men had played in the war. Speaking of the attitude of organized labor, he was convinced that he was voicing the sentiments of the entire populace of Canada when he congratulated the labor delegates upon their magnificent effort of the men that they represented. Speaking further, the premier said that he had come to welcome the delegates. He referred in glowing terms to the boys over at the front, fighting on the battlefields of France and exhorted the delegates to remember the great sacrifices that the men in khaki were making.

President Waters was given a tremendous ovation. He introduced Mr. Emmanuel Kovalek, representing the American Federation of Labor. Mr. Kovalek received a great ovation. He merely stated that he was pleased to be in attendance at the convention and particularly to be in Canada as it was his birthplace. Later, he would convey the message that he had from the American Federation of Labor but give all that time would be lost to excuse. Sir Robert Borden then arose again

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