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New Terms Not To Be Agreed Upon For A Few Days Yet

Complex and Diverse Problems Raised ARMISTICE EXTENSION

Allies Appoint Committee of Eight to Study Conditions Before Policy in Regard to Germany is Decided on

Paris, Feb. 11.—In view of the complexity and diversity of the problems raised by the armistice, says Havas report, the supreme war council has appointed a committee of eight to study these questions. The council, therefore, has postponed for a few days the adoption of conditions to be imposed upon Germany.

The committee is composed of Lord Robert Cecil and Major M. G. Thwaites for Great Britain, Norman Davis and General Bliss for the United States, Dr. Silvio Cesari and General Cavallotti for Italy, and Edouard Clemenceau and General De Goutte for France.

Paris, Feb. 11.—(By the Associated Press)—Dr. Bernhard Dernburg says that Bolshevism in Germany up to the present is a local and passing phenomenon, but is becoming more general and threatening, especially in the big cities, where the people are subsisting on hunger rations, and hordes are unemployed.

"In the meantime," he continues, "our opponents in Paris are quarrelling among themselves over what is to be done in Germany and how she can be made to pay." Dr. Dernburg accuses the Entente of forcing Germany to ruin through the hunger blockade and by crippling all her economic activities, despite "the fact that Germany's offensive and defensive forces are completely paralysed."

Paris, Feb. 11.—(Associated Press)—The supreme economic council is expected to consider French and Belgian proposals that Essen and other German industrial towns should be occupied to prevent the manufacture of munitions and arms. This question bears on the ability of Germany to pay heavy indemnities through products of industry, and it is the American view that the oppression of Germany's munition production can be as well assured by a system of authorized inspection by Entente agents. This would permit German industries to continue with safety to the Allies.

The French and Belgian plans that they could be permitted to occupy their enormous losses by the destruction of their industrial plants through the stoppage of German industries until France and Belgium have been rehabilitated, is met by the American view, which is shared by the British, that such losses should be reimbursed by cash indemnities from Germany within a reasonable time.

The supreme economic council can regulate the division of raw materials between countries so as to insure exchange between France and Belgium of proper advantage over Germany and event the latter from gaining the world's markets. Once divested of its economic features, the armistice can be a tension of the military armistice can quickly be completed.

London, Feb. 11.—The Bolsheviks unheeded an infantry attack on Saturday night the allied positions near Srednak along the southeast of Archangel, and were ousted, according to an official statement issued by the war office last night. In the operations on Friday in which British, American and Russian troops proved their positions on the Bolshevik road south of Kadishi, the Bolsheviks forced heavy losses.

Victoria defeated Vancouver two to one in a hockey match in Vancouver at night.

WATER RATES ON SAME BASIS AS IN LAST YEAR

Commissioner Jones Makes Early Announcement to Ease Minds of People

If a recommendation which will be presented to the common council this afternoon by Commissioner Jones is adopted, the water rates for the current year will be on exactly the same basis as last year. Careful calculation by the department officials has led to the decision that this will produce the required amount of revenue to operate the water system and the announcement of the decision is being made at as early a date as possible in order to set the minds of the taxpayers at rest so far as this problem is concerned. Owing to the impossibility of telling what the new assessment act will produce in the way of tax bills, the commissioner of water and sewerage felt that it might ease the strain a bit if people knew just what their water rates would be. Last year the figures were brought down on February 25, but this year the work was hurried forward and the rate is announced more than a fortnight earlier.

Not only will the rate be the same, if the council approves, but the commissioner also will recommend that a discount of five per cent be allowed for prompt payment, as was done last year. There will be nothing about the water rates this year to enable landlords to use them as an excuse for increased rents.

The rate in "schedule B" will be one-fifth of one per cent on all land and buildings and merchandise contained in buildings within 700 feet of any water main. The service rates in "schedule C" will be as follows:—Boarding and lodging, \$3 upwards. Each family, \$3. Boarding and lodging house, in addition to family rate from \$1 upwards. Each water closet with cistern and self-closing flush, \$4. Each water closet of any other kind, \$6. Each uraln, \$3. Each bath, \$3. Each set wash bowl, fifty cents. Restaurants, pool rooms and clubs from \$5 upwards. Drug stores, \$5 upwards. Fish stores, \$10 upwards. Milk dairies, \$5 upwards. Other stores, \$3 upwards. Soda fountains, \$3 upwards. Dental offices, \$5 upwards. Banking offices, \$5 upwards. Photo studios, \$5 upwards. Printing offices, \$5 upwards. Other offices, \$3 upwards. Factories, \$10 upwards. Bakeries, \$5 upwards. Barber shops, each chair \$2. Greenhouses, \$5 upwards. Hand laundries, \$10 upwards. Other workshops, \$3 upwards. Wagon horses, \$2 each. Truck horse, \$1 each. Cows, \$1 each. Automobiles, \$5 each. Lawnsprinklers, \$3 each. Building purposes, not less than \$3.

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CORSICAN HERE VIA NEWFOUNDLAND

St. John is Represented in Passenger List INTERESTING PEOPLE ABOARD

Woman Missionary Who Had Been Interned by Turks—Youngest Winner of V. C. Landed at Newfoundland

The C. P. O. S. liner Corsican arrived in port this morning from Liverpool via St. John's, Nfld., with 320 passengers. They included several officers who were attached to the Royal Air Force, in addition to some eight cadets of Ottawa, who were in training for the Royal Canadian Naval Air Force when the armistice was signed.

The steamer encountered fair weather until near the coast of Newfoundland, when they had some difficulty navigating through the ice fields, but from that time to St. John splendid weather was encountered. The steamer landed more than 400 soldiers at Newfoundland. Included in that number was the youngest soldier in the British army to possess a Victoria Cross. He is nineteen years of age and his name is Pte. T. Ricketts, a native of Middlem, Wiltshire, England. He volunteered with the Royal Newfoundland regiment and returned with the V. C., a D. C. M. and a Croix de Guerre. On Oct. 14, 1918, during a big advance from Longueville, he volunteered to go forward with a machine gun to outflank a battery, which was causing havoc in their ranks. His machine gun was disabled and he was the lives of many comrades in addition to capturing four field guns, four machine guns and eight prisoners. For other similar acts of bravery he received the other decorations and had two of them pinned on his breast by King George.

The following is a list of the New Brunswick officers and passengers on the steamer: Lieut. A. E. Allen, St. John; Lieut. B. A. Crockett, St. John; Flight Cadet J. M. Fraser of St. Stephen; Lieut. E. Medley of St. John; Lieut. G. M. Morrison, St. John; E. R. Osten and Mrs. J. M. Preston, Fredericton; Lieut. S. P. Ryder, St. John.

Included among the passengers was Miss E. McCallum of Kingston, Ont., who was a Congregational missionary in Turkey and was interned in Smyrna at the outbreak of the war. For the first two years she was allowed to go on teaching, but after that she was forbidden to do so. She was not forced to suffer any hardships as the governor of Smyrna was rather friendly to the British and treated his prisoners better than they did in any other part of Turkey. Miss McCallum said it seemed as if he realized from the first what the outcome would be and acted accordingly. Miss McCallum was in charge of an American school there with 250 pupils, composed of Greeks and Armenians. When the armistice was signed and the exchange of prisoners started she was placed on the exchange list and was sent to Alexandria, where she remained for seven weeks, later she was sent to Marseilles and then to England.

Lieut. Colonel J. A. Chamber of Halifax is en route to his home after many years of service. He was in charge of King's troops in India in 1914 at the outbreak of the war and was ordered to England. After arriving there he was dispatched to Egypt, where he remained for more than a year. He then returned to England, took a course in flying, and went to France in the rank of captain. After considerable service he was promoted to major and later to Lieut. Colonel.

Lieut. C. W. Cook, of Guysboro, N. S., who crossed overseas with the 112th Battalion was also on the steamer. An officer on the ship who had an interesting experience during the war was Major G. A. Walker of Vancouver. He crossed overseas in 1915 with the Royal Engineers and after his arrival in England was sent to Egypt and Palestine, where he served until after the armistice. He was present during the occupation of Jerusalem and remained in that city for six months. While in the east he was employed for a long period building railroads across the Sinai desert.

Lieut. J. M. Renne of New York city, was another passenger. He was attached to the Royal Air Force and acted in the capacity of instructor in Texas, Toronto and England. He is returning home to New York, and has contracted with the A. H. Woods Theatrical Company for three years. Lieutenant Renne was well known on the New York stage prior to his departure for the scene of war activities.

Lieut. G. S. M. Warlow of Montreal, arrived back in Canada for the first time since the outbreak of the war, when he sailed for the old country and enlisted with the Royal Irish Rifles. Later he joined the Royal Air Force. During his long service he did not receive as much as a scratch. He was flying in France and Egypt.

Captain W. W. Cruise of Toronto, who was with the Royal Army Medical Corps, is returning home to resume his medical practice in that city. He was attached to hospital staffs in England, France and along the lines.

The steamer docked a little after nine o'clock, but as the port doctor had not completed his examination no one was allowed on board. When the gang plank was at last raised five passengers were taken off the steamer, and to be suffering from influenza. "We were apparently very sick. There were taken to Partridge Island and will be cared for in the hospital there."

Lieut. E. S. Alger of Tweed, Ont., is returning home after spending more than a year and a half in German prison camps. He was a member of the Royal (Continued on page 2, fourth column.)



WAITING FOR HIM.

King Calls For Resolute Action

Speech From Throne Urges Reconstruction Matters and Improving of Health of Nation; Procedure of Parliament to be Simplified

London, Feb. 11.—King George, in opening the new parliament today, after alluding briefly to events since the dissolution of the last parliament, just after the armistice, urged quick and decisive action on reconstruction measures and asked parliament to "spare no effort in healing the causes of the existing unrest."

The king said that a government bill would be presented simplifying the procedure in the House of Commons, so that the lower body might expedite what the government considered imperative measures. Among the measures, he said, were better housing, the formation of a department of health, the fulfillment of pledges to labor that unfair competition would be prevented and the betterment of the agricultural situation through improved transportation.

HIGHER PAY FOR THE FREDERICTON POLICE

Fredricton, N. B., Feb. 11.—The Fredericton police commission has made an increase in policemen's pay. Patrolmen on probation are to receive \$75 a month, qualified patrolmen, \$80, and sergeants, \$90. Chief Finlay's salary was placed at the former figure of \$1,200 a year.

MISS MCCONNELL DIES OF INJURIES

Miss Fannie E. McConnell, daughter of the late Charles and Sophia McConnell of Studholm, Kings county, died last evening in the General Public Hospital on account of a fracture of the spine received from falling out of a window in Douglas avenue.

GLYDE STRIKERS ARE ORDERED BACK TO WORK

London, Feb. 11.—All the strikers in the Clyde district have been instructed by their leaders to return to work tomorrow. The instructions were issued today by the joint committee of the strikers.

DEATH OF CHILD

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. McNicol Gibson will sympathize with them in the death of their infant son, John Angus McDonnell Gibson. The funeral will be tomorrow afternoon from his grandparents' home at half-past two.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service.

Will Hold On To Them, Says Japan

Re-Affirms Intention to Keep Marshall and Caroline Islands and to Insist on Carrying Out of Agreement With China

Paris, Feb. 11.—(By the Associated Press)—Japan has reiterated its intention to hold the Marshall and Caroline Islands in the Pacific, which she took from Germany during the war, as well as to insist upon the execution of her agreement reached in September last with China regarding Shantung. A formal statement to this effect by Japanese representatives has been made public here.

It is not considered that the China-Japanese controversy or Japanese claims regarding the Pacific islands are likely to delay the society of nations project. It seems probable, however, that these matters will be considered later by that organization. Considerable space is being given the China-Japanese controversy by the French newspapers.

IN RUSSIA BORDEN PLANS A VISIT TO CANADA

Typhus Rife in Some Places—Report From Canadian Force

London, Feb. 11.—(Canadian Press despatch from Reuter's Limited)—A member of the Canadian forces at Omsk says the country is in such a chronic state of disorder that often no trains run for weeks. Refugees are flocking into Omsk in a woeful condition. The Bolsheviks have innumerable men, and a more or less organized army of Bolsheviks are everywhere.

We never take chances and speak to nobody but our own men. We never go out in less than gangs of six and then fully armed. It is rumored that 75 per cent of the population of Omsk, whose population is 200,000, are Bolsheviks, but if they start anything we are ready for them.

EGGS DOWN FIVE CENTS IN QUEBEC, TO 55

Quebec, Feb. 11.—A further drop in the prices of several foodstuffs was recorded in today's review of the market. At the stock yards, cattle were rather scarce and still, prices had a tendency to slump, though there was not much difference in last week's prices.

SURPRISE PARTY

About twenty-five friends of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Vall called at their home, 238 Britain street, last evening and tendered a surprise party to Mrs. Vall, the occasion being her birthday. On behalf of those present, James Gorrie presented to Mrs. Vall a handsome wicker rocker. Mrs. Vall mastered her surprise and acknowledged the gift in a suitable manner. The evening was spent with games and music and refreshments were served.

HAS IMPORTANT POST.

The funeral of Mrs. James Kathleen Stanton took place this morning from the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Stanton, 28 Albert street, North End, to St. Peter's church, where solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Cloran. Rev. Father Hogan was deacon and Rev. Father Wood was sub-deacon. A large number of beautiful floral and spiritual bouquets were sent by friends. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

BURIED TODAY.

The funeral of Mrs. James Driscoll took place this afternoon from her late residence, 44 Albert street, West End, to the Church of Assumption. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. J. O'Neill. Interment was made in Holy Cross cemetery.

CARING FOR CIVIL CASES.

Five civilians, soldiers' dependents, who arrived here ill, are now being cared for at the military hospital, Lancaster, in addition to the military cases there.

COMING HOME FOR WHILE AFTER COMMITTEE ON GREEK CLAIMS FINISHES WORK

Paris, Feb. 11.—(Canadian Press despatch from Reuter's Limited)—An expert committee consisting of two representatives each from Great Britain, the United States, France and Italy, which the council of the great powers decided a week ago to set up to examine the claims of Greece will meet on Thursday. The British Empire delegates are Sir Robert Borden of Canada and Sir Eyre Crowe of the British foreign office.

IMMEDIATELY UPON THE COMMITTEE COMPLETING ITS WORK THE CANADIAN PREMIER WILL PROBABLY PAY A SHORT VISIT TO CANADA, RETURNING WHEN PRESIDENT WILSON RETURNS FROM THE UNITED STATES.

It was disclosed today that President Wilson plans to return from Washington by March 15. This involves a brief stay at Washington as to permit the signing of bills during the closing hours of congress.

P. J. MOONEY LEFT NO WILL

The late Patrick J. Mooney having died intestate, letters of administration have been issued in the probate court to his widow, Mrs. Annie Mooney. The value of his real estate is given at \$10,639 and the personal estate valued at \$17,617. L. A. Conlon is executor.

In the estate of Elizabeth C. Cousins, letters testamentary have been issued to William L. Harding, J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., is executor.

SOMETHING OF THE WOMEN WANT TO ENJOY THE WEED AND OTHERS ARE OPPOSED

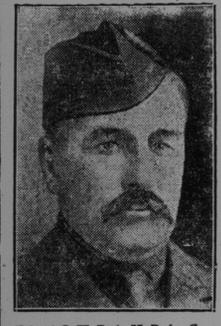
London, Feb. 10.—The Young Woman's Christian Association is threatened with a division into two societies by reason of agitation over the fact that smoking is permitted by women in some branches and forbidden in others. Some members of English branches where smoking is permitted have withdrawn and joined the Irish Y. W. C. A., which prohibits smoking. The Manchester Guardian quotes a Y. W. C. A. worker as saying that sixty per cent of the women's auxiliary organizations and a large proportion of the former women's union workers smoke.

IN TROUBLE NEAR CAPE RACE

Halifax, Feb. 11.—A wireless message caught here at half-past ten o'clock this morning reports U. S. S. Cusey taking water in fore hold and sending out S. O. S. calls for assistance. Her position is given as latitude 48-35, longitude 48-13, which is in the immediate vicinity of Cape Race.

GOOD WORK

Seven hours after the Tunisian docketed yesterday the last C. P. R. special train was steaming westward with the last of the passengers of the large C. P. O. S. liner. There were 1,225 passengers on board and 1120 railway tickets and 400 sleeper tickets were furnished the passengers prior to their departure. The last train got away last evening at 6:30 o'clock.



Colonel C. W. Peck, M. P. for Comox (formerly of New Brunswick), was awarded the Victoria Cross in person by the king at Sandringham.



Lord Hardinge, former Viceroy of India, has charge of the administrative machinery of the British secretariat at the Peace Congress.