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# CONVICTIONS IN O. T. A. CASES WILL BE SUBJECT TO APPEAL

## German Proposals Are Rejected, and Immediate Action Is Expected

### MOTHERS' PENSIONS ARE PROVING THORN IN GOVERNMENT SIDE

### Board Administering Act Is Criticized, and Action Is Demanded.

### SAY CHAOS REIGNS

The administration—not the measure itself—of the mothers' allowance act seems destined to prove a thorn in the Drury government's side. Yesterday in the legislature the act met with a strong onslaught because of the way it was being enforced from Capt. Magladery, the Conservative member for Timiskaming. He complained that the board of administration was not sufficiently energetic in its duties and told how hundreds of cases of mothers' allowances were pending, while Rev. Peter Bryce, the chairman of the board, instead of giving his entire time to this important provincial matter, had taken charge of the forthcoming referendum. Capt. Magladery also complained that the inspector sent to his district had received his appointment not because of his fitness but because he was an officer of the Independent Labor party. Premier Drury: Are you making that statement seriously? Capt. Magladery: Yes, and also as a charge against the department which appointed him.

### Lobbyist Was Appointed.

Continuing, Capt. Magladery said the officer, whose name was Stephenson, had been the lobbyist of the Independent Labor party in the Ontario legislature last session. It was a common joke up north about Mr. Stephenson's knowledge of the act, which he called on to administer. He knew next to nothing about it.

### INSPECTORS QUIT ABATTOIR IN HUFF

Increased at what they claim to be an invasion of their office rights, the entire staff of seven or eight Dominion government inspectors at the civic abattoir on Monday morning walked out, and so far have not returned to work.

### CLASH WITH FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY OVER OFFICE SPACE RESPONSIBLE.

From what can be gathered of the trouble, this action arose over the attempt of the United Farmers' Co-operative to secure more office space at the civic abattoir, and an intimidation by the local manager some time ago that the office space now utilized by the inspectors should be allotted to the clerical staff of the U.F.O. The latter are offering a much larger rental than now obtained from the government to accommodate the large increase in their local killing pens, and many animals are being killed there also through U.F.O. shipments. They are also utilizing the civic abattoir for the storage of eggs in large quantities.

### CALL CONFERENCE FOR NAVAL HOLIDAY

### U.S. Senate Attaches Important Amendment to Naval Appropriation Bill.

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### GERMANY'S PROPOSALS REJECTED BY ALLIES; ULTIMATUM EXPECTED

### Conference Curtly Terminated By Lloyd George After German Delegate Has Offered Them — Belief Is Felt That Negotiations Have Ended and Action Will Begin—May Employ Economic Pressure Instead of Military Force.

London, March 1.—When the German delegates faced the allies around the table in Lancaster House today with the object of coming to a final settlement of the German indemnity a gulf was revealed even wider than any predictions had forecast. Germany's counter-proposals fell so far short of the allied program drawn up at Paris that the British prime minister declared: "The German government appears to have a complete misunderstanding of the realities of the position," and tersely adjourned the conference after Dr. Simons, the German foreign secretary, had presented the document and tried to advocate its reasonableness. The belief prevails in the allied camps tonight that the negotiations have ended, and that they are on the eve of action. Their reply is expected to be an ultimatum, clear and imperative. The following bulletin was issued after a brief meeting of the heads of the allied delegations this afternoon: "It was decided to consult the judicial and military advisers tomorrow, with a view to informing the German delegates on Thursday as to the measures the allies propose to take." The word "measures" and mention of only the judicial and military advisers are considered significant. Proposals Fall Far Short. Dr. Simons offered what experts estimate would amount to 2,500,000,000 pounds sterling, of which Germany claims 1,000,000,000 pounds sterling has already been paid in money and supplies. This is coupled with the conditions that Upper Silesia remains German and that "free commercial privileges shall be restored to Germany throughout the world." Compared with the 11,800,000,000 pounds sterling, and the lowest Germany was expected to put forward was something over 7,000,000,000 sterling, which Germany wants 400,000,000. (Continued on Page 4, Column 2.)

### "I TOLD YOU SO" IS FRENCH VIEW OF GERMAN STAND

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### Officials Pleased That Attitude Has Fulfilled Their Predictions. READY FOR A MOVE

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### FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO PROBE MAGISTRATE HAD BEEN SWAYED

### First Day's Evidence at Probe of D. Hastings' Administration Favors Official.

### PROBE DRAWS CROWD

Ottawa, Ont., March 1.—(Canadian Press)—Not a great deal of impressive testimony was given in the course of the first day's sitting of Commissioner J. A. Paterson, K.C., Toronto, appointed by the attorney-general to investigate the administration of the law in the police court at Dunnville since the passing of the Ontario temperance act and conditions leading up to suspension of Magistrate David Hastings. The inquiry was conducted here in the court house, which was crowded with the demands of its western supporters and make immediate provision for the appointment of a royal commission to investigate the handling of the western wheat crop. A bill to provide for the appointment of this commission will, it is understood, be introduced in the senate, probably during the present week, and put thru the necessary stages there without further delay, so as to be ready for commons action by the time the debate on the address is concluded.

### MONTENEGRIN KING IS DEAD IN FRANCE AFTER LONG REIGN

### Assumed Title of King on the Fiftieth Anniversary of His Succession.

### MANY SEVERE TRIALS

Antibes, France, March 1.—King Nicholas of Montenegro died here today. The Queen of Italy, daughter of Nicholas, has been advised of the death of her father and she and King Victor Emmanuel are expected to come here for the funeral. The date of the funeral, however, has not yet been fixed. Nicholas I. of Montenegro was born in October, 1841. He was proclaimed prince of Montenegro in 1860 and assumed the title of king under a royal decree of the assembly in 1910. He was crowned in 1910 on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his accession. During the war Montenegro participated on the side of the allies. When the armistice was signed, the Serbians ordered elections for the national assembly, and when the assembly met in 1918 it declared its favor in favor of the deposition of Nicholas and the reigning dynasty. Shortly thereafter the assembly voted for the union of Montenegro with the Jugo-Slav state of the kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes. Nicholas and his cabinet fled by that time having been in France, and final decision as to the status of Montenegro lies with the peace conference. (Continued on Page 4, Column 3.)

### PETROGRAD SUBURB IN REBELS' HANDS

### Reports Current That Lenine and Trotsky Have Fled to Crimea.

Heisingfors, March 1.—Vassily-Ostrov, a suburb of Petrograd, is in the hands of the insurgents and cut off from other parts of the city, according to reports from the Russo-Finnish frontier. Fighting continues in the district between sailors and Bolsheviks on the one hand and officers on the other. Rumors are current that Lenine and Trotsky, the Bolshevik premier and minister of war respectively, have fled to Crimea. On February 25, at the Nicholas Vauxhall, about forty communists were killed and 200 arrested. Bands of strikers stormed the Djabine prison and freed a number of sailors. They held demonstrations in the streets, carrying banners with such inscriptions as: "Down with Soviets and communists!" At the outset of the disturbances the Red soldiers divided their arms among the rebels, but took no further part in the proceedings. (Continued on Page 4, Column 4.)

### Greece Cannot Accept Revision of the Treaty

Athens, March 1.—Greece cannot accept revision of the treaty of Sevres, which she considers represents the minimum compensation for her sacrifices in the war and efforts to establish peace in the near east. This was the substance of a resolution unanimously adopted by the national assembly tonight, which will be telegraphed to the Greek delegation in London for presentation to the allies. The resolution expresses the nation's gratitude to the allies for their traditional protection of its interests, and closes with the hope that alteration of the treaty will not be insisted on.

### DEFENDANTS IN O. T. A. CASES WILL BE GRANTED THE RIGHT TO APPEAL TO COUNTY JUDGE

### Government Will Grant Wheat Probe Demanded

Ottawa, March 1.—(By Canadian Press)—It was stated unofficially in the commons lobby tonight that the government had decided to accede to the demands of its western supporters and make immediate provision for the appointment of a royal commission to investigate the handling of the western wheat crop. A bill to provide for the appointment of this commission will, it is understood, be introduced in the senate, probably during the present week, and put thru the necessary stages there without further delay, so as to be ready for commons action by the time the debate on the address is concluded.

### LIBERAL PARTY DEAD OUTSIDE OF QUEBEC, SAYS HUGH GUTHRIE

### Minister of Militia Scores His Former Friends and the Farmers' Party—Makes Slashing Attack On Crerar's Grain Company—Dr. Michael Clark Speaks On Alleged Advantages of Free Trade.

Ottawa, March 1.—Hon. Hugh Guthrie, minister of militia, delivered a fighting speech in the debate upon the address in the house of commons this afternoon, which roused the followers of the government to great enthusiasm. Correspondingly, he got under the skin of the Farmers' party, and went after his old friends, the Liberals, in a way which threatened at one time to create disorder. He denied that Hon. Mackenzie King had any authority to speak for the Liberal party of Canada. Amid excited cries of dissent from the opposition benches, Mr. Guthrie declared that the Liberal party, outside of the province of Quebec, was dead. A great majority of the men, he said, who followed Sir Wilfrid Laurier were now supporters of the government. He further declared that the government would not bring on an election until after redistribution. At present, one city riding like Parkdale at Toronto, was washing machines and larger population than five rural ridings like Dufferin, Peel, Halton, South Perth and East Elgin combined. In opening, the minister of militia made a slashing attack upon the United Grain Growers, Limited. The huge corporation, of which Hon. T. A. Crerar is president. That company, he said, was organized by American settlers in the west, who wanted to buy goods from their old home. He would not say that the farmers composing that company were unpatriotic, but they were certainly blacklisting all goods made in Canada. He read from the catalog of the United Grain Growers, Limited, to show that they were advertising goods made in the United States exclusively. They were doing this, he pointed out, at a time when there was much unemployment in Canada, thus delib-erately sending large sums of money out of the country to keep American shops and American workmen busy. Harvesters, reapers, mowers, separators, wagons, washing machines, cream separators, and the like were brought in from the United States when they could be purchased just as cheaply in the Dominion. Two or three times Hon. Mr. Crerar attempted to interpose, but Mr. Guthrie announced that he would not be interrupted and continued his indictment. Readings from the testimony. (Continued on Page 4, Column 4.)

### FERGUSON ADMITS BRAINS OF HOUSE ARE ON HIS SIDE

### Conservative Leader Declares His Followers Dominate Ontario Legislature. SAYS HE IS SERIOUS

All the brains, ability and debating talent in the Ontario legislature is represented by the little band of 25 Conservative members who occupy the end benches on the Speaker's left, Hon. G. H. Ferguson, who leads the group, has said so, and in the house yesterday afternoon he repeated that that was his opinion. This admission was greeted with roars of laughter. Before the orders of the day the attorney-general, Hon. W. E. Raney, read from the newspaper reports of Mr. Ferguson's speech to the Ward Four Conservative Association. Not only did the Conservative members of the house possess the ability and brains of the whole legislature, but they also possessed the debating talent, (Laughter.) "I ask Hon. Mr. Ferguson if he has been correctly reported?" inquired the attorney-general. "Was Correctly Reported." Mr. Ferguson: Yes, substantially. (Laughter.) The attorney-general proceeded to ask another question, when Mr. Ferguson rose to a point of order. If the attorney-general intended to commence a comedy proceeding he should do it according to the rules of the house. Questions of privilege before the orders of the day was for business and not comedy. Mr. Raney, referring to another report of Mr. Ferguson's speech, asked if he had said that the defeat of the governments was brought about by an epidemic of hysteria. Mr. Ferguson admitted it was correct and added that some of the spectators of hysteria sat opposite to him in the house. Mr. Ferguson was glad the matter had been brought up. He had made the observations in all seriousness, and they had apparently got under the skin of the attorney-general. Another Half-Holiday. A bill that is bound to arouse a great deal of discussion was introduced by C. F. Swazey, the Labor member for Niagara Falls. It provides for the closing of all stores throughout the province one-half day each week all year around on a petition signed by a majority of those interested.

### Penalties Arranged For German Refusal

London, March 1.—Reuter's Limited says it understands from the French quarters that among the proposed penalties for Germany, if she does not agree to the reparations demands are the closing of the coal ports on the right bank of the Rhine, and, as a last resort, the seizure of German customs.

### OUT ON \$10,000 BAIL

Charles La Reane of Hamilton was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detective Greenley on a charge of vagrancy. He was allowed out on bail of \$10,000 last night.

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KING NICHOLAS OF MONTENEGRO. Whose death occurred yesterday in France in his eighty-first year.



HON. HUGH GUTHRIE.

The Ontario government, thru its attorney-general, last night, succumbed to the insistent demand of public opinion and agreed to permit the right of appeal to defendants on the evidence in O.T.A. cases. The matter came up when Hon. W. E. Raney resumed the adjournment debate on the motion and the amendment to the house that an appeal of the special legislative committee appointed to consider and recommend measures for the better enforcement of the present act. Mr. Raney had hitherto opposed the suggestion that appeals in O.T.A. cases to the county judge should be allowed, as recommended in the minority report of the legislative committee. The government, Hon. Mr. Raney said, desired to be fair to everybody and had arrived at a decision to recommend to the house that an appeal by defendants in these cases be heard by the county judge on the record of evidence before the police magistrate.

Should Uphold Law. The burden of the rest of Mr. Raney's argument was that the O.T.A. was being enforced conscientiously and that every fair-minded citizen should remember that while he might not approve the provisions of the O.T.A., he should always bear in mind that it was present the law of the land and consequently should receive his sympathetic support.

Lots of Good Men Available. The attorney-general in commenting, said there were many men in the (Continued on Page 4, Column 1.)

### SHOTS EXCHANGED IN CROWDED STREET

### Three Girls and Two Men Wounded in Fight in Dublin Thoroughfare.

Dublin, March 1.—Three girls and two men were wounded this evening on Grafton street near College Green, when an armed patrol exchanged shots with a party of men which attacked it. Two soldiers were seen to fall during the fight. The streets were crowded with pedestrians during the affray. One man was killed and two were seriously wounded, and when the military fired on a group in a field near Tipperary. The men were alleged to have been drilling. It is officially reported that crown forces pursued rebels near Gorbally. They killed one man and wounded another, being armed with arms and ammunition and a plan for an ambush.

### FOR RELIEF OF CORK

Cork, March 1.—The United States Quaker Committee has sent a cable despatch to President-elect Harding appealing to him to use his influence for Irish relief. The committee reports that the damage done by fire in Cork amounts to \$10,000,000, and in the remainder of Ireland \$20,000,000. Two thousand buildings have been wholly or partially destroyed, and upwards of thirty thousand persons are in distress, the message says. Last night's shootings, which involved the death of five unarmed soldiers and the wounding of eleven others, besides a number of civilians, including women, created a panicky feeling simultaneously in several of the principal streets where the volleys were fired. The streets were soon cleared of the crowds who rushed homeward at top speed, terror-stricken.

### FIRST MENNONITES LEAVE FOR ALABAMA

Regina, March 1.—The first batch of Mennonites attracted by the prospects held out by land agents from Alabama left the Herbert district today to make their home in the United States. The party consisted of twenty families. They passed thru Moose Jaw and will enter the United States at North Portal.