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RUSSIA SENDS ULTIMATUM TO RUMANIA U. S. PUBLISHES EXPOSE OF M. CAILLAUX

PREMIER LENINE OF RUSSIA NARROWLY ESCAPES DEATH AT

Four Shots Fired at Automobile of "Red" Leader While Proceeding Through Stree ts of Petrograd, One Bullet Striking Swed ish Official.

Petrograd, Jan. 15.-An automobile carrying Nikolai Lenine, the Bolsheviki premier, it is reported, was fired upon tonight when he was driving to a meeting of the Council of People's Commissaries. Four shots were fired. Premier Lenine was not hurt.

The bullets shattered the windows of the automobile. A member of the party with the premier was wounded slightly in the hand.

The attempt on the life of Premier Lenine was made just outside the hall in whch he had been addressing 8,000 of the Red Guard, who were going to the front. As his automobile swung through the crowd four shots flashed in the darkness.

One of the bullets missed its mark by but a few inches and the other lodged in the hand of a Swedish Socialist who was in the automobile. Scores of arrests were made.

LARGE SUPPLIES

Products Decrease.

quantity of bacon, ham and smoked meats from 10.971,611 to 15,086,828 bounds, in fish from 12,871,275 to 19,-19,984 pounds, and in poultry from 2.216,236 to 3.369,307 pounds.

SHIP REPORTED SINKING

The line received no details, its officials announced, the notice from the navy department merely stating that the Texan was affoat. Their assumption was that the crew of 43 men was also safe, otherwise they would have

DESTROYER'S FAST TRIP.

QUARTERLY AUDIT .- The quarter-

Thursday and Friday evenings at the court house. The auditors are Judge Macbeth, County Clerk Stuart and City Auditor.

Auditor Andrew Dale,

Eggs

FOODSTUFFS OF BACON, FISH IN STORAGE IS

Vast Food Stocks Stored in New York, Jan. 16.—Fire in a big five-story warehouse filled with Government food supplies, located on the water front near Congress street, Erooklyn, broke out this forenoon. An hour after the discovery of the blaze it was estimated \$500,000 damage had been done. Three fire boats were struggling with ice floes in midstream endeavoring to get near the flame-enveloped building. The structure, known as the Robinson Stores of the New York Dock Company, occupies nearly an entire block. Toronto Warehouses—Dairy amount of eggs, butter, mutton, cheese and beef in cold storage on January 1, as compared with December 1, 1917, are shown in the monthly report of the acting commissioner of labor, re cost of living, Mr. W. F. O'Connor. On the other hand there were, on January 1, larger amounts of pork, bacon, fish, etc., in cold storage. The statement includes reports of companies holding about 99 per cent of the cold storage space available in Canada. "It is to be expected," says the report, "that the holdings on January 1 of oputer. unt of eggs, butter, mutton, cheese

the holdings on January 1 of butter, these and eggs particularly, should show a decrease. By the first of March the cold storage companies expect that these commodities will be almost cleared except for current trade." Bacon Increased. While the stock of eggs on head in a CUT IN PRICES FOR THE LOAVES

Bacon Increased.
While the stock of eggs on hand had declined during the month from 6,819,169 dozen to 4,144,490 dozen, butter from 15,414,154 pounds to 11,273,627 pounds, beef (fresh and pickled) from 48,093,680 to 43,335,952 pounds, there were increased during the same period in the quantity of become ham and smoked. Hanna Has No Intention of Making Bakers Reduce the Price.

Vast Stock at Toronto.

One-third of the cold storage beef, or over 14,000,000 pounds, nearly half the pork, or over 10,000,000 pounds, 45 per cent of the bacon and hams, 40 per cent of the mutton and lamb, are in Toronto warehouses, and the Province of the poultry and two-thirds of the cheese is held in Quebec, which province also holds 35 per cent of the butter. Eggs in storage are pretty evenly distributed through Canada.

The holdings of the firms reporting to to day, said he was not going to make any order to bakers to reduce the price of the back because of his recent order regarding the milling of a cheaper war flour.

Controller Hanna, in reply to questions today, said he was not going to make any order to bakers to reduce the price of the back because of his recent order regarding the milling of a cheaper war flour.

The bakers have been doing very well, and I am not going to make any order as to prices."

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Shell Plugging.

Under cross-examination the chief admitted he had heard of other cases of shell plugging. He was told that a machine was used for boring out flaws which were afterwards plugged, so they would pass inspection.

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RUSSIAN GOVT. FORCED TO FREE RUMANIAN MINISTER AND STAFF BY DIPLOMATS OF THE NEUTRALS

the Rumanian minister, and the other members of his staff, were set free by the Bolsheviki Government Tuesday afternoon, according to a

destroyers, the navy department announced today. The voyage was from a Pacific to an Atlantic port, and occupied 40% days, the average speed being 19.15 knots per hour. A new record also was set in the construction of the destroyer, only 51 weeks elapsing from the laying of her keel to the date of launching. Reuter dispatch from Petrograd. This action, M. Zalkind, assistant to the foreign minister, informs the Associated Press, was taken at a meeting of the council of people's commissaries and after the diplomatic corps had protested to Pre-

The diplomats went to the Smolny institute late this afternoon and

premier's personal quard of soldiers were met at the entrance by the workmen and sailors. They were escorted to the premier's private room. The conference lasted forty minutes and was carried on behind closed doors.

Premier Lenine is said to have explained to the diplomatic corps that he realized the imprisonment of M. Diamandi was a breach of International law, but declared it was designed as a protest against a similar breach on the part of Rumania In arresting and disarming Bolsheviki

GOVT. CRISIS AT BUDAPEST

Hungarian Cabinet Resigns Over Failure of Military Program.

London, Jan. 16 .- The resignation of the Hungarian cabinet on account of failure to obtain necessary support for the military program is reported in a Budapest dispatch to Copenhagen, forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph.

It is believed Emperor Charles will ask the Hungarian premier, Dr. Alexander Wekerle, to remain in office and reconstruct the cabinet.

The crisis was directly due to the refusal of Emperor Charles to have a separate Hungarian army.

EMPEROR REJECTS PLAN FOR HUNGARIAN ARMY

Amsterdam, Jan. 16. — Emperor Charles, according to a Vienna dispatch to the Kolnische Zeitung, has rejected the scheme to establish an independent army proposed by Dr. We-

was reported in an Amsterdam disto was reported in an Amsterdam dis-toh on January 8 that the Austrian nisterial Council opposed unanimous-the Hungarian Government's army forms. It was proposed to give the strian and Hungarian armies separ-

SAYS SAW HANSELMAN PLUGGING SHELLS A

Trial of Man Charged With Treason Is Opened.

Hamilton, Jan. 16.—The trial of Dr. E.
L. Hanselman, a Brantford chiropractor,
on a charge of impering with shells,
and a second count of practicing fraud
and deception on his majesty, in connection with the supplying of military
stores, began here before Chief Justice
Falconbridge today, W. S. Brewster of
Brantford represented the military department, with E. Munro Greer of Toronto, and A. J. Wilkes, crown attorney
of Brant, prosecutors.

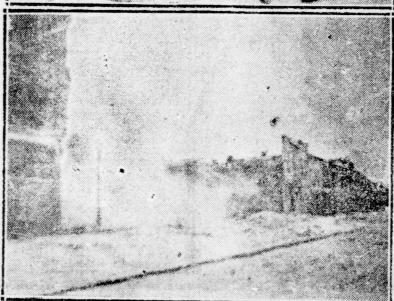
f Brant, prosecutors.

A Treason Charge. In his preiminary address to the jury.
Mr. Greer said that the first charge really constituted treason, and that such a charge in Germany would have been tried by a different kind of court. Address the jurges he said: "It will be hed by a different kind of court. Ad-iressing the jurors, he said: "It will be hown to you how the shells were yeakened by boring and plugging at helr base, and whether the prisoner was

Chief Slemin of Brantford told about cher siemm of Brantford told about questioning Hanselman as to his nationality. He did not consider him a fit subject for internment, and so informed him. He then warned Hanselman and proceeded to question him in regard to plugging shells in a munition plant. He claimed that the prisoner could give no satisfarcory explanation. Toronto, Jan. 16 .- Dominion Food He

FIRESWEPT LISTO WEL MAIN STREET





All that is left of business blocks along south side of Main · Sunday's fire, which did \$200,000 damage. The building in the foreground cut is Schinbein's Department Store. The upper picture shows all that is left in one section of the gutted area.

MAY HAVE TO BE CURTAILED TO SOLVE LABOR PROBLEM

in Conference With Federal Govt. Over Distribution of Labor for Entire Country.

ences on the labor situation in Canada were held here this morning. Thirty met the prime minister and members of

The question of the better distribution of labor, it is understood, was one of the main topics under discussion with the labor men, the aim being to secure the greatest possible output from essential industries. For this purpose, it may be necessary to curtail the operations of non-essential industries; and suggested measures with this end in view are regarded as of particular importance. In regard to farm labor, it is pointed out that 23,000 men apparently will be need
nounced today.

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that 23,000 men apparently will be needed for seeding. Of these, 17,000, it is estimated, will need to be withdrawn from non-essential work in the West or secured elsewhere. Prairie repre
war office tonight. In Lorraine a mot live up to the advance notices of the weather man. He said decidedly cold was the program. This threw hundreds into a panic. Those with a hundred or so coal in their cellars worried as much as

dead in bed at his home,

Union Leaders of Many Crafts POILUS UPSET GERMANS' DASH **ABOVE VERDUN**

of the leading labor men in the Dominion Attack in Heavy Force Along 200-Metre Front Proves

> Berlin, Jan. 16-Via London.-French troops, after several hours of artillery preparation, delivered an attack in the vicinity of Badonviller, in the Vosges region, and temporarily penetrated the German front trenches, army headquarters announced today.

Army of the East, January 14: Our He represented Canada at the Brussels exhibition, and was decorated by King Albert. He was elected to the Montreal board of control in 1915.

Controller Cote, who has been in falling health for some time, was found dead in bed at his home.

Army of the East, January 14: Our artillery was active on both banks of the Vardar. Allied aviators carried out a number of bombardments on improved roads in the valley of the Vardar and on enemy encampments in the region of Dopripolie."

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FORMER FRENCH PREMIER WAS PLOTTING WITH GERMAN AGENTS INTERCEPTED MESSAGES SHOW

RUSSIA SENDS ULTIMATUM

Petrograd, Jan. 15.—The Council of National Commissioners yesterday sent an ultimatum to Rumania demanding the release of the Bolsheviki arrested recently in that country, the punishment of officials who ordered the disarming of Russian troops, and a guarantee for the future. A reply was demanded within 24 hours, failing which, the ultimatum says, extrem measures ultimatum says, extreme measure will be taken.

COAL IS ON WAY, BUT SITUATION **GROWING WORSE**

Fuel Expected to Arrive Here This Afternoon for First Time Since Storm.

68 DESPERATE APPEALS

Utilities Commission Besieged for Fuel-25 Tons Given by Biscuit Firm as Relief.

This afternoon Utilities Commissioner T. McFarland notified Assistant General Manager A. O. Hunt, who is handling the fuel situation, that his firm, D. S. Perrin & Co., limited, would donate 25 tons of

limited, would donate 25 tons of soft coal to help tide over the suffering ones until coal arrived.

"We were just at our wit's end," said Mr. Hunt. "I had just received two most urgent appeals for help, and had nothing to promise when Mr. McFarland made his offer."

This coal will be distributed to the needy in small lots, similar to the allotments of the 25 tons donated by Beatty Bros. Monday. It nated by Beatty Bros. Monday. It will help out many families.
The Grand Trunk and M. C. R. both
ave coal on the way to London, but so
r none has reached the city. This is

the only relief that can be offered to the barren coal bins. This afternoon some coal will arrive. At noon an M. C. R. train was ready to leave St. Thomas for London. It will be the first since Friday. It has two cars of coal for London dealers. The Grand Trunk officials stated this morning that not a car of coal, and or soft head to the officials stated this morning that not car of coal, hard or soft, had so if reached the city since the snow blockal had been overcome.

It was reported yesterday that spicial coal trains had left Fort Erie as should reach London today. This after noon the chief dispatcher's office he stated, when asked of the whereabout of these trains, that they were not

Prominent Journalist and Member of Montreal Board of Control.

Montreal, Jan. 17.—Thos. Cote, a member of the board of control of Montreal and noted Pench-Canadian journalist, died this morning. He was born at Trois Pistoles, Quebec, September 22, 1869.

"Belgian communication: 'On the 14th the activity of the two artilleries revived near Ramscapelle and Dixnude and Dixnude and The enemy bombarded Adinstruction: 'On the 14th the activity of the two artilleries money taken from the army bank at Camp Funston by Capt. Lewis Whisler Camp Funston by Capt. Lewis Whisler last Friday night, after he had killed four employees and injured a fifth, said to have been more than \$62,000, was found today, hidden in the walls of Whisler's quarters in the barracks (Winnipeg four employees and injured a fifth, said to have been more than \$62,000, was found today, hidden in the walls of Whisler's quarters in the barracks (Kingston Citawa advanced posts and was regulated by

Mr. Cote was in turn editor of La advanced posts, and was repulsed by the garrison. Today there was slight activity by both artilleries on the Belgian front.

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Diplomatic Communications Made Public By U. S. Govt. Prove Caillaux Was Intriguing Against Allies Through Enemy Agents At Argentina and Using Bernstorff To Approach Berlin Foreign Office

Washington, Jan. 16 .- From its mysterious stock of intercepted diplomatic communications, the state department today published correspondence between Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador here, and the Berlin foreign office, showing that former Premier Caillaux of France was in communication with German agents in Argentina in 1915.

The first Bernstorff dispatch contained very damaging evidence as to Caillaux's references to the French Government, and warned German newspapers against praising him. Another gave notice of the ship on which Caillaux was sailing from Argentina, and planned its capture by submarines.

The capture of the ship was sought because her captain carried important papers. The German Government was asked to treat Caillaux with every courtesy and consideration if the ship were taken.

BERNSTORFF'S MESSAGE

Following is the text of the message sent by Bernstorff:
"Buenos Ayres telegraphed the following:
"Calllaux has left Buenos Ayres after a short stay, and is go
"Calllaux has left Buenos Ayres after a short stay, and is go direct to France, evidently on account of the (group undecipherable scandal which he regards as a personal attack upon himself. He speal contemptuously of the president and the rest of the French Go with the exception of Briand. He sees through the policy of sees in the war now a struggle for existence on the part of England Although he spoke much of the 'indiscretions and clumsy policy' of the Wilhelmstrasse, and professed to believe in German atrocities, he has i essentials hardly changed his political orientation. Caillaux welco indirect courtesies from us, but emphasized the extreme caution which h is obliged to show as the French Government, he said, had him watcher even here. He warns us against the excessive praise bestowed upon him by our papers, especially the Neue Freie Presse, and desired or the other hand that the Mediterranean and Morocco agreements shou be adversely criticized. Our praise injures his position in France. Call laux's reception here was cool. His report about Brazil had nothin new. On his return to France he will begin to reside in his own con new. On his return to France ne was stituency. He fears Paris and the fate of Jaures.
"BERNSTORFF."

Another message which Count Bernstorff had forwarded was from

"Tol. Rio de Janeiro, telegraphs steamer Araguay. left Buenos Ayres January 30. The captain is carrying important papers. Capture very desirable. Caillaux is on board. In case of capture Caillaux should in an unobtrusive way be treated with courtesy and consideration. Car you inform our cruisers? (Signature)

GERMAN PRESS WARNED. The instruction of the German censorship to the German press o June 16, 1917, follows: "For political reasons, it is urgently requested that nothing be written about the former French Prime Minister Caillaux, and that his name be not mentioned under any circumstances."

This correspondence, although no official announcement to that effect is available, is made public by arrangement with the French Government, which desired its exposure. Caillaux now is waiting trial in France for treason on revelations developed by the celebrated Bol.

DAIRYMEN LAY BLAME CAILLAUX GANG CELL-NEIGHBORS. FOR OLEO RULING AT

Stratford, Jan. 16.-Blame for taking At the request of M. Caillaux th down the bars for eleo was placed at director of the prison obtained permisthe door of the food controller by Presi- sion for the former premier to enjoy Western Ontario dairymen onrs.

Only patriotism had kept dairymen onrs.

Whole Gang in Cells.

THE WEATHER

Quebec Father Point . Weather Notes.

Paris, Jan. 16 .- Every detail of the

laux is being eagerly read by the pubic. "I am one of your new boarders, he began to say to the head warden on arriving at the prison, ut that official did not stop to listen, as the rules for bid conversation with prisoners. the coor of the lood controller by the deet Straiton, Guelph, in an address at the treatment allowed political prison, the opening of the convention of the Western Ontario dairymen here today.

Western Ontario dairymen here today.

Whole Gang in Cells.

M. Caillarx was placed in a section of the prison which is continually under the observation of a warder.

nearby cells are Bolo Pasha, Deput Louis Turmel, M. Duval and Jacque Louis Turmel M. Duval and Jacque M. Duval and Jacque Louis Turmel M. Duval and Jacque M. Duval and Jacque Louis Turmel M. Duval and Jacque M. Duval and M. from non-essential work in the West of secured elsewhere. Prairie representatives here are understood to be in the ordered sequence of a general mobilization of labor. Dural and stacked our positions in the Chaume wood on a front of 200 metres. On most of the attacking organizer of the Sheet Metal Workers' Union of Amerocouncil; J. H. Kennedy, international organizer of the Sheet Metal Workers' Union of Amerocouncil of the Garment Workers' Union of Amerocouncil of the Garment Workers' Union of Amerocouncel of the Garment W

Continues on Page Three. JAILED FOR IGNORING QUESTIONS OF OFFICERS

Mardis, who was arrested by police a few days ago under the service act, and was turned over