

HOPE FROM LONDON CONFERENCE

"INDUSTRIAL PARLIAMENT" MAY FIND SOLUTION

EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES IN CONFERENCE

LONDON, Feb. 28.—The feeling prevailed in official circles to-day that the creation of an "Industrial Parliament" containing representatives of capital and labor, together with the miners decision to postpone their strike until March 22, has temporarily averted the labor crisis. Nobody, however, was willing to predict that the situation has been eased up more than temporarily.

The final result of the move to reach an understanding on industrial problems depends, it was said, upon the confidence shown by the Laborites in the new "Industrial Parliament" and the ability of union leaders to prevent unauthorized strikes by the more radical elements.

The weakness of the situation, it was pointed out, was that the "Parliament" has no real power and can only advise the acceptance of its recommendation.

Situation in Central Germany is Worse Cabinet Will Take De- cided Measures.

ARMY OF GENERAL SECURITY FORMED

ZURICH, Feb. 28.—The German cabinet, following a three-hour session, decided to take the most energetic measures to suppress the revolution, according to dispatches from Berlin to-day.

It was also reported that an ultimatum was sent to the "illegal soviet government" at Munich.

The situation in Central Germany was said to be growing worse. A state of siege has been proclaimed at Aischaffenburg. The physicians in Leipzig were reported to have gone on strike. Government officials in Boeum, Herne, Gelsenkirch and Dortmund have formed an "army of general security," numbering 16,000, to oppose the Spartacists.

There were some reports, however, that the strike in the Ruhr district is disintegrating and that only 15,000 workmen are remaining idle.

Unconfirmed reports were received that Spartacists in Berlin staged demonstrations in Wilhelmstrasse before the Reichstag and other points on Tuesday evening, in which shots were exchanged. Several telephone lines were set to have been cut.

The soviet congress in Munich is understood to have decided to create a provisional central council, which will be instructed to form a ministry. The Landtag will be convoked later.

GOVERNMENT ISOLATED AT
WEIMAR

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—The German government was practically isolated in Weimar to-day. The only method of communication was by airplane.

SITUATION AT MUNICH IS GRAVE

PARIS, Feb. 28.—The situation at Munich is grave, according to the Berlin Vespische Zeitung. Spartacan forces are not only masters of all public buildings and transportation services in the city, but have also seized the presses on which the government bank notes are printed.

These presses, it is said by Berlin Lokal Anzeiger, are kept busy.

Foodstuffs are being rationed at Munich. The amounts issued to the bourgeoisie being only half of these given Spartacists.

GERMAN TROOPS OCCUPY HAMBURG

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 28.—German government troops yesterday occupied the town of Hamburg, in the Ruhr industrial region, after a fight in which

The School Board Strikes Estimates

Board Will Bear Superannuation Allowance

The Public School Board last evening struck the estimates for the year. The total expenditures for 1919 are estimated at \$86,593.04 and the receipts other than taxes \$2871.60. The difference \$83,721.44 is what will have to be raised through taxation. It amounts to 8 mills. The Board after going over the figures in detail finally came to the decision and will submit its requisition to the City Council.

The difference, that will have to be raised by taxation this year and that of last year is \$9050.39. In 1918 the amount that was raised by a 7-10 mill rate was \$74,871.05. The greater part of the difference of \$9050.39 is made up of salary items. The salary account for 1919 due to general increases demanded by the staff and also to the increased number of teachers as compared to last year is \$8040.

Several minor items make up the balance. The list of expenditures and receipts as estimated for the year follows:

Expenditures	Salaries
Salaries	\$58,640.00
Fuel Water Power etc.	5,000.00
Supplies	700.00
Repairs and improvements	4,650.00
Printing, Stationery Books etc.	3,000.00
Equipment, maps furniture etc.	1,500.00
Insurance	115.50
Sundries	652.77
Improving grounds	50.00
Debiture Payments	10,000.00
Inspection of Schools	925.07
School Nursing Dept.	1,350.00
	\$86,593.04

Receipts
Less cash on hand from 1918 \$431.60
Gov't Grants (estimated) \$1,850.00
Rents of Sewing Rooms 10,000.00
Rents of Inspector's office 150.00

To be Raised by City of
Kitchener \$83,721.44
(8 mills)

Considerable paring of the estimates was done.

Several desired improvements fell by the wayside. For example, a suggestion to secure a bell for Courtland Avenue and place it in the tower so that the call to school classes could be better made was not adopted. Other requests for rearrangements and alterations in seats in some of the schools, an old question, was again laid over at least this year.

Other business transacted included the following: the decision not to deduct teachers' superannuation allowance from their salaries but to pay it out of the Board's funds; to maintain the present system of the Board purchasing only scribbles for the pupils and to purchase a coupe car for the school nurse at a cost of \$1000. Hereafter the 21 per cent superannuation allowance has been deducted from the teachers' salaries as they were paid every month. The annual sum that the Board will now pay will be \$840.

The Board is devoting more and more attention to the work of the School nurse and in order to enable her to cover the city from day to day more rapidly they deem it necessary to provide her with a car.

France and Italy Press FOR SETTLEMENT OF INDEMNITIES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—French and Italian spokesmen are urging that German indemnities and territorial problems be given a more prominent place in the peace conference at once. It was said in diplomatic quarters today. In fact it was hinted that the countries are piqued at the subordination of these problems in favor of the league of nations plan.

U. S. Railways Are to be Presently Retained

UNTIL CONGRESS DECIDES
THEIR DISPOSITION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—There will be no "immediate or precipitate" return of the railroads to private ownership, Director General Hines announced today.

In a letter to the House and Senate committees, Hines declared there would be no relinquishment of the roads "until there has been an opportunity to see whether a permanent program of constructive legislation is likely to be soon considered."

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—American socialists sent several large floral wreaths to Premier Eisner's funeral, it was reported in dispatches received from Munich to-day.

Elora Board After Electric Railway

WANT A MEETING TO DIS-
CUSS QUESTION.

The Elora Board of Trade has requested the local Board to assist in calling a general meeting to discuss an electric railway connection between the two towns and also the question of the franchise of the B. and N. road. The Council of the Board last evening received the request and referred it to the transportation committee.

The Council will inform C. Foster of the American Civic Bureau that the week beginning Mar. 16th would be an agreeable time to visit the City with a view of paving the way to establish an organization here.

Pat the City on the regular C.P.R. schedule, eliminating the extra trouble of purchasing a ticket for Galt and vice versa the members said. This matter will be taken up by the transportation committee.

The Industrial Committee will take up the matter of advertising the city.

Fifteen new members for the Board were recommended.

Laid to Rest.

The funeral of Mr. Thos. Gillespie late of 101 King St. W. took place from his son's residence, 56 Weber St. W. to Mount Hope Cemetery, at 3 p.m. yesterday Rev. Mr. Bain of Trinity Methodist Church officiated.

The Pall Bearers, who were all fellow workmen with him at the D. Hibner's Furniture Co., Ltd., where he had worked for several years, were, E.W. Heit, H. Briggeman, C. Blahm, W. Sharlock, A. Castor and J. Schell.

The two surviving brothers of the deceased, Mr. Samuel Gillespie and Mr. John Gillespie and their wives, of Toronto were present.

He leaves his wife and 3 children, Mr. Samuel of London, Lottie (Mrs. Chester Goffroy of Toronto), Mr. Raymond M. of Kitchener.

Many friends were also in attendance from Toronto and elsewhere.



MAJOR J. D. ARMOUR, whose death is reported in London, England, from illness contracted while on active service in France. He was the eldest son of Douglas Armour, K.C., well-known lawyer of Vancouver, B.C.

Wilson Asked to Act in Marm Wage Dispute

LONGSHORESMEN DISSATIS- FIED WITH MACY AWARD

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Unless President Wilson intercedes, New York harbor will be tied up by a strike of marine workers to-morrow, according to Thomas L. Delahanty, president of the marine workers affiliation to-day.

Delahanty has sent a telegram to the President notifying him that the Macy wage award is unsatisfactory to the 16,000 boatmen involved.

Hungary Will Try Those Responsible for War

TWO PERSONS ALREADY NAMED FOR TRIAL

BUDAPEST, Feb. 28.—The Hungarian government planned to-day to start criminal proceedings against the officials responsible for the war.

The first to be tried, it was said, will be former Chancellor Berthold and Count Forgach. Berthold is understood to be living in isolation at Lake Thun, Switzerland.

Unrest in Spain Told

GENERAL STIKE IN BARCE- LONA

BARCELONA, Feb. 28.—The general strike to-day cut down the supply of water, light and power to the bare necessity to maintain existence. All the public service plants are guarded by troops.

SYNDICALISM RAMPANT IN SPAIN

MADRID, Feb. 28.—The cabinet resolved to-day to suspend contract guarantees throughout Spain as the result of the spread of syndicalism (belief in sympathetic strikes). The syndicalists are alleged to have captured practically the entire industrial organization of the country.

Russian Situation Delayed by Shooting

OF PREMIER CLEMENCEAU

PARIS, Feb. 28.—Foreign Minister Pichon announced to-day that the shooting of Premier Clemenceau deferred the decision on the Russian situation, which was under consideration when the premier was attacked last week.

He said there is reason to believe that an agreement on a general policy will be reached soon without great difficulty.

Regarding reparation, Pichon said that when it is known what amount Germany will be able to pay toward the total claims of the Allies, it will be easy to agree on the proportion due each.

The committee considering Greek territorial claims met yesterday. Representatives of the provisional government of Albania, the former provisional government of Epirus and of Thrace.

The committee of international labor legislation has decided to call the first meeting of the proposed International Labor Conference in October.

ITALY SENDS AN ASSUR- ANCE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—President Wilson to-day was, in a personal cable from Premier Orlando, assured of the whole-hearted support of Italy in the formation of a league of nations.

Ottawa county Quebec has been changed to Hull county.

BOYS AT FREEPORT WERE KIND HOSTS

Euchre Party Draws Large Attendance.

Not for some time has such a pleasant evening been spent by the boys at Freeport as was the case last night the occasion being a Military Euchre with the soldiers acting as hosts to their Kitchener friends. The evening was in the nature of an appreciative testimonial by the men themselves to the guests who have been responsible for many improvements and donations to the institution such as the Vocational Building, an increased water supply, gifts of easy chairs and edibles.

The guests numbered about 40 and this with the patients who participated in the party a large and representative one as representative of all the patriotic societies of Kitchener and Waterloo were present. The Vocational Building was very beautifully decorated with an abundance of flags of the allied nations, bunting patriotic pictures and Japanese lanterns which called forth delighted expressions of admiration for the decorative scheme designed and carried out by the veterans.

After a pleasant evening's play Miss Jean Reynolds carried off a beautiful hand carved and weaved tray. Mrs. Hodgins was second winning a pretty centre piece worked by a bed patient; Miss Graham took third prize which was a cake basket made by the veterans, and Miss McTeachner won a box of note paper for winning fourth prize. For the gentlemen the winner were Messrs. Boissoneau, Gunn, McGimie and Ritchie. Miss Verma Gies of Waterloo and Mrs. Suser were each the recipient of an amusing toy for their euchre prowess as they managed to win the fewest games of all.

Local Boy Killed In Action Oct. 2nd

Pre. William Harnack

Word was received yesterday by Miss H. Harnack of 104 Weber street East that her brother Pre. William Harnack had been killed in action on October 2nd 1918.

Pre. Harnack was the son of Chas Harnack left Kitchener for Cleveland, Montana, and resided there with his wife until August last year, when he went overseas with the American army. This is the first intimation his people have had of his death.

Common People of U. S. Supporting League

Senator Lodge Republi- can Opposes it.

GOOD REPORTS ARE COMING
IN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—President Wilson's closest advisers to-day declared the country was showing an increasing disposition to strongly support the league of nations. This claim was based on reports received from all parts of the United States.

The attitude of the plain people toward the league is considered most vital. Supporters and opponents of the plan attach the greatest importance to the reports which are coming in by wire and mail.

ONE SENATOR AGAINST LEAGUE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, solemnly warned the American people to-day to carefully weigh the constitution of the league of nations, as presented to the peace conference at Paris and to insist upon its fundamental revision.

Speaking in the senate, this Republican floor leader declared his conviction that instead of safeguarding the peace of the world, the league as now planned would engender misunderstandings and strife.

Delivering his first public utterance on the subject since the constitution became public, the Massachusetts senator vigorously opposed the plan and made specific recommendations for its amendment.

He declared that as now drafted, the constitution would contravene the Monroe doctrine, strike at American sovereignty, involve America in all foreign disputes, substitute internationalism for nationalism, and be of benefit principally to Europe.

Senator Lodge who is expected to be chairman of the powerful Foreign Relations Committee in the next senate, which will set on the peace treaty and any plan for a league of nations, was given close attention by senators and crowded galleries.

Board Will Encourage The Live Stock Industry in County

Agriculture Organization Will Cooperate With the U. F. O. at Joint Conference.

At the resumed sitting of the Board of Agriculture yesterday afternoon endorsement to the resolutions submitted at the morning session was given. These resolutions follow:

"That the Board of agriculture of the County of Waterloo strongly endorses the proposed legislation of the Hon. Dr. Cody, Minister of Education in regard to Medical Inspection of the rural Schools, and beg to assure him that this Board will be pleased to cooperate with his department in rendering any assistance possible."

"That this Board of Agriculture respectfully urge the Federal and Provincial Governments to increase the grants to agricultural societies for the purpose of increasing prizes to be awarded at our fall fairs for pure bred live stock."

Encourage Live Stock Line

Mr. J. S. Knapp, the District Representative of Agriculture, brought up the question of improving the live stock industry in this county. He urged the Board to use their influence and give advice to breeders. The goal should be to make the county the best live stock market in Canada. It was essential that buying we made of the county's own breeders. He suggested a plan to awaken the interest of boys and girls in the raising of good live stock. Live stock clubs among the young people in the county were urged upon the meeting. He suggested that parents purchase good pure bred stock for their children.

The scheme was briefly discussed and adopted with the elimination of grade stock.

A.U.F.O. Representative Speaks

Mr. J. G. Hurst was present and in speaking presented the cause of the U.F.O. of which he is a member. He said the idea of the organization was to make one solid Canada, to eliminate race and creed bitterness. They believed in the greatest good to the greatest number. The cost of living must go down; but not only in food stuffs but in other lines also. Mr. Hurst asked for an understanding between the Board and the U.F.O. on a cooperative basis. He suggested that they hold a joint meeting when the annual meetings of the two are held.

Mr. G. Barber, of Crosshill, thought that by joining together at a meeting as suggested any possible friction

Presented With Honor Flag Today

Margaret Avenue School are Proud Winners.

An interesting event took place this morning at the Margaret Avenue school, when the Principal Teachers, and Pupils were presented with a handsome British flag by Mrs. Geo. Lang, in honor of the children of this school having collected the most per capita during the recent Salvation Army Campaign.

Speeches were delivered by the Rev. H.M. Lang-Ford, Rev. J.H. McBain and Captain Kimmons of the Salvation Army, all of which proved highly interesting and instructive to the Pupils.

The following address was read by Miss L.M. Bruce after the presentation was made.

To The Principal, Teachers, and Pupils

Margaret Avenue School, Kitchener, Ont.

During the past month there has been a Dominion-wide Campaign by the Salvation Army for its work among the Canadian Soldiers Here and "Over There." They have set themselves a big task in Reconstruction—"To help the Returning Soldier and his family adjust themselves to the routine of civil life."

The Canadian people can never forget the noble work done by the Salvation Army at the front. Its services to our defenders and their dependants will not end with the fighting. It has its Homes in Canada for the children who have been made orphans by the war and for the women whom the war has thrown on the hands of this organization. The servant of all, serving with that mother-love the sinful, sorrowing and afflicted of every class and creed; and not merely serving, but with infinite care piecing together the remnants of life shattered units, and, by the grace of God, making them anew.

On behalf of the Princess of Wales Chapter, I.O.D.E. I desire to acknowledge very specially the loyal co-operation of the pupils and Teachers of the public and Separate Schools in Kitchener for their contributions to this worthy work, and to offer our hearty congratulations to the Margaret Avenue school for raising the largest sum per capita, thus winning the handsome prize of a British Flag, presented by Mrs. Geo. C.H. Lang, and we trust that this school may continue to do its part not only as a teaching institution, but also in its patriotic fervor—Seeking to build this new Nation on a loyal foundation, ever remembering that it is "righteousness alone which exalteth a Nation." May we always endeavor to promote unity between the Mother and the Sister Colonies and ourselves; to promote loyalty to the King and to forward every good work for the betterment of our Country and people.

On behalf of the Daughters of the Empire, Regent, Princess of Wales Chapter, I.O.D.E.

L.M. Bruce.

Aquitania at New York

BRINGS IN 5,893 AMERICAN SOLDIERS

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The British liner Aquitania, bringing 5,893 American soldiers and with a distinguished passenger list, including Lord Reading, British Ambassador to the United States, and J.P. Morgan, arrived here today from Liverpool, by way of Brest.

Bolsheviks Failed to Live up to Terms

REGARDING CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES

PARIS, Feb. 28.—Andre Tardieu, one of the French delegates to the Peace conference, says that the Bolsheviks failed to comply with the conditions laid down by the Entente as to the suspension of hostilities and that the Allies have in view new methods of restoring order in Russia, and are examining available means to carry out this purpose.

James Wilson of Hanover has been appointed Sheriff for the County of Grey.