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ES SURE TO REJECT PEACE

CARVELL CALLS FOR 500 MILLIONS FOR WAR ENDS NEXT YEAR; CAN'T GET IT ABROAD

Unionist Minister Tells Us To Save and Invest In Govt. Bonds-Promises Something Startling and Drastic In Legislation Every Week

St. John, N. B., Dec. 28.-In the next fiscal year, \$500,000,000 must be raised by Canada for war purposes, in addition to the \$150,000,000 or \$175,000,000 necessary to carry on the ordinary business of the country, Hon. F. B. Carvell, minister of public works, announced at a reception tendered him here last night.

> Protection Where Maximum Figure Exceeded.

Become One for Winning

of the War.

the approximately 250,000 miles of

for the winning of the war. Under President Wilson's decision th

great event, regarded by many as the opening of a new epoch in Government operation and control of public utilities, passed by without any formal cere-

GOVT. MAY TAKE OVER

MUCH MORE TRACKAGE

Citizen says: While the probability

of nationalizing the railways of

Canada along the United States

plan is very remote, it is quite

likely that about fifteen hundred

miles of trackage will be added

next year to what already is under

the Canadian Northern was to

come down, it was expected that

whatever was done in regard to

that company would also be ap-

When the legislation respecting

Government ownership.

American railway systems silently merged into one great continental chain

Can't Borrow It Abroad,
Mr. Carvell said Great Britain was
persistently cailing for munitions and
foodstuffs, and Canada must answer
the call. But she must do her own
financing, for not a dollar could be borfinancing, for not a gollar could be borrowed in Great Britain or the United States.

The question, said the minister, all resolved itself into this: "The Union Government's duty was to see that the resources of the country were conserved, that the people save money and thereby have it to invest in Government bonds for the carrying on of the war. If the people's savings and profits were not to be available Canada could not carry on as she had done in Hanna Tells Brantford Only

bould not carry on as she had done in he past. That was the real reason for he formation of the Union Govern-ment, and there must be government along business lines.

Speaking of the prohibition order-in-council, Mr. Carvell said his hearers need not be surprised about once a week to learn of something just as drastic

OF DRAFT ARMY AMERICAN ROADS

Govt. Issues Instructions For Dealing With "Absentee" Cases.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—With the calling up of the first draft next week, strong measures will be taken against men who have failed to register under the military service act. Announcement of a ward "to any civil police or peace reward "to any civil police of peace of-deer for the apprehension and delivery into military custody of a deserter or absentee without leave" is the forerun-ner of further steps to insure that all members of class one comply with the

Who Are Deserters? Instructions for dealing with deserters and absentees without leave have bee and absentees without leave have been issued and the general policy determined. Generally speaking, there are five different groups of men who, from a military point of view, who may be dealt with as absentees without leave. The groups and the penalties to which the men in each case are liable are as follows:

follows:

(1) Men who have failed to comply with the proclamation calling out class one—liable for any term of imprisonent not exceeding five years, with hard (2) Men who, having reported or claimed exemption under the military service act, have failed to attend for medical examination when ordered to do so—punishable by civil magistrates by a fine not exceeding \$200 and not less than \$25 and to not more than three months' imprisonment. If not fined, punishable by military law as absentees without leave or deserters.

Failing To Report.

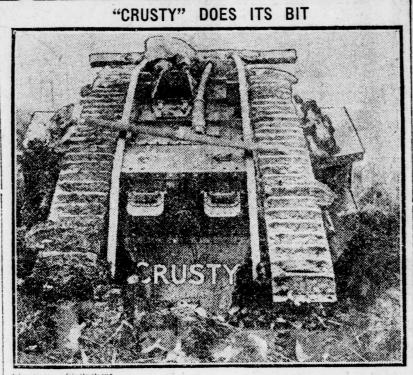
(3) Men, who having been ordered to report for duty, fail to do so—punishable in the same way as absentees of the following group, group four, if, before they were required to report for duty, they were taken on the strength of the C. E. F. otherwise, punishable by military law. tary law.

(4) Men, who having been taken on the strength of a unit of the C. E. F. or of the active militia either as volunteers or as drafted men and either before or after the issue of the proclamation under the military service act or the passage of that act, are now, or hereafter become, absentees without leave—punishable by civil magistrates by two years' imprisonment with the consent of the general officer commanding the district in which the presecution is brought, rict in which the presecution is brought (5) Men, who having been granted leave of absence without pay, cease or fall to comply with the conditions upon which their leave was granted—punishable in the same way as men in group Men in all the five groups mentioned,

it is pointed out, are alike in that they are all soldiers absent without leave and subject to milk: • as well as civil arrest for their absence. CHINESE NOW CONTROL AT HARBIN, MANCHURIA

Peking, Dec. 28.—The Chif'se commander-in-chief at Harbin, Manchuria, on December 25 presented at the Bolsheviki headquarters the demand that the two reserve Ryssian battalions, which were under its control leave Harbin. The Bolsheviki authorities agreed but during the night issued orders to resist.

On the morning of December 25 the 618th Regiment opened fire on the Chinese, who thereupon replied killing the colonel and a number of men. The regiment then surendered. The 559th Regiment also surrendered and gave up its arms.



"Crusty." or as it is known in the war office record No. 8, is one of the "big brother" tanks. It was in the front rank of the squadron that charged on the German positions in the great drive and is here shown lying in soft ground after the first wave of the fighting forces had passed beyond it. The traveling links are loaded with soft earth, and show the strenuous time which

Brantford, Dec. 28.—The food controller protects only the people in case of maximum prices being exceeded and does not set a fair price for any food commodity. Such is the answer this city has received in response to an appeal to Food Controller Hanna to put an end to a "bread war" here by setting a fair price which would protect the small dealers against being squeezed out by the larger concerns. This bread war raged here for two weeks following a cut in bread to six cents a loaf by a firm with outside capital. The other bakers, in self-protection, decided to keep the price of bread at ten cents, after the war had continued for a week. The one firm since that time had advanced its price to eight cents, at which price it is now selling bread.

The municipal election returns on Tuesday night next will be later coming in than for some years past. The reason for this is that there will be so many ballots to count after the polls close. In other words, the deputy returning officers will be obliged to count the vote for 38 different men or purposes. In Ward 2, 37, and in Ward 4, 33. In each poll in Ward 2, 37, and in Ward 4, 33. If on this basis are estimate, Based O n 1917 Figures, Shows How Deputies Will Earn Mone y in Counting 12 Ballots

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That City Clerk Baker expects a rather bulky vote is evidenced by the That City Clerk Baker expects a rather bulky vote is evidenced by the fact that he is giving the deputies in charge of the polls two hoxes, a large and small one. He believes that the two will be necessary to hold the ballots. In three wards the electors will be called upon to mark twelve ballots, and in Ward 4, eleven. There will be no aldermanic ballots to mark in the latter ward, as the old aldermen were returned unopposed.

This means that in three wards the electors will have to make 23 marks on ballots, and in Ward 4 twenty. These are made up as follows:

Seven bylaws to be marked for or against.

Maryor, three candidates to choose turning officers will have a count something like this:

Ward 1, with 1.594 votes cast for mayor last year and 23 votes to be cast by each voter, would give a total of 36,662 votes to be counted.

Ward 2, 1,232 voters last year, or a total of 49,243 votes this year.

Ward 3, 2,141 voters, or a total of 49,243 votes this year.

Ward 4, 2,174 voters, or a total of 43,480 marks this year.

These figures are just an estimate, and are compiled on the assumption that there will be no plumping and that all ling of Union leaders met last night MERGED AT NOON 250,000 Miles of Railroad Washington, Dec. 28 .- At noon today

against.

Mayor, three candidates to choose from.

Utilities, two to be named out of three contestants.

Controllers, four to be named out of five running.

and are compiled on the assumption that there will be no plumping and that all electors will exercise their franchise to the fullest extent. Of course, the mayoralty vote will include separate school supporters, and they will have no vote for the board of education.

JACOB NOMINATED.

Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—Robert Jacob,

WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE SOMERVILLE FOR MAYOR

C. R. Somerville, mayoralty candidate, has announced his platform

MY PLATFORM

To intelligently direct the tremendously important work of civic financing. "Muddling" has cost London taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars.

To exercise rigid economy and to eliminate all needless expenditures during the war.

To place London on a sound footing, and to control the tax rate that London may be ready to strike out for industrial expansion after the war.

To efect a co-ordination of all civic departments. This means efficiency. All civic business is your business. Lack of harmony between departments has wasted your money.

LLOYD GEORGE

No Statement on Peace Terms Could Be Made By Britain Alone.

"FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM"

Premier's Letter to Labor Is Considered Rejection of

sent today to the Labor con-

regarded as the British reply to the German peace offer.

The municipal election returns on, Board of education six to be named tain's allies. The question of issuing a fresh joint declaration, he added, the Entente Allied Governments.

WINNIPEG UNIONISTS AIM AT PERMANENCY LENINE IS DRAFTING

REGINA'S POLL.

Regina Dec. 28.—Official returns for Regina constituency were made yesterday by J. W. Smith, returning officer, of 10,152 votes polled. Dr. Cowan, Unionist, had 7,674, just 5,196 more than A. MacBeth, Liberal Labor. who loses his deposit.

An armistice is replied to have been reached between the Bolsheviki forces and the troops of Gen. Kaledines at Rostov, with a neutral zone between the opposing lines.

ANOTHER CANADIAN FLIER KILLED AT TEXAS CAMP

MONTREAL CLASS A MEN

Montreal Dec. 28 .- Not wishing to wait until the expiration of the time allowed under the military service act,

NO PEACE IS POSSIBLE WHILE FOE HAS ALSACE-LORRAINE, FRANCE'S ANSWER TO KAISER

ANDRASSY BRAGS

Zurich, Dec. 28.—Count Julius Andrassy, ex-premier of Hun-gary, writing on the peace ques-tion, says:

"From the moment we were

free in the east the whole sit-uation fundamentally changed, and the Central Powers now also will gain supremacy in the

"It is no longer possible for America to give us the finish-ing stroke. She must save the Entente."

ALL GRAIN AT

CHICAGO CITY

Industrial Workers Planned

Destruction of Elevators During the Holiday.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 28 .- Some of the esults of the recent raid on headquar

ters of the Industrial Workers of the

officials today. Among the tons of lit-

erature seized were 50,000 copies of

"Sabotage," a book by Elizabeth Gurley

ment for conspiracy against the Government.
The Michigan Central Railroad today ent warnings to all points on its lines giving notice of an alleged I. W. W. plot o destroy grain elevators during the holidays. As a result, special police have

been detailed to guard every grain ele-

Men Walk Out Over Imprison-

ment of Thirty Fellow-

Workers.

THIRTY TARS PERISH

WHEN NORSE SHIPS

Norwegian Foreign Office Re-

cords Loss of Five More Ships.

ARE SUNK BY SUBS

TIED UP BY STRIKE

HAMILTON, OHIO, IS

PLOT TO BURN

west.

IN WAR AIMS DISHONEST TRICK, POMPOUS FRAUD, MISERABLE TRAVESTY, COMMENTS U. S. PRESS ON THE KAISER'S TERMS

May Deceive Germans and Russians, But Not Allies, Is View.

New York, Dec. 28.—The following edi-torial comment appears in the New York newspapers this morning on the Teuton-Russian peace negotiations and pro-Peace Offer.

London, December 28.—

"Achievement of the purposes for which the Allies are fighting is essential to the future freedom and peace of mankind," said Premier Lloyd George in a letter which he

opportunity to transfer troops from the Russian to the French and Italian fronts rence.

The only peace that can come out of Brest-Litovsk is the separate peace between Teutonism and Bolshevikism which would put the Russian neck under the Prussian heel forever." Inadmissible.

The Tribune comments as follows:
"The peace terms proposed by Count
Czernin at the congress of Brest-Litovsk
are inadmissible, because they make no London, Dec. 28.—Premier Lloyd George, in a letter which he has sent to the Labor conference, said that a statement on war aims could only be made in agreement with Great Britain's allies. The question of issuing a fresh joint declaration, he added,

a fresh joint declaration, he added, was being constantly kept in view by the Entente Allied Governments.

WINDER INIONISTS

present gesture is plain. German is not proposing peace because she expects it, she is not making an offer in good faith. How could the German Government act in good faith? She is proposing terms known by her to be impossible, Continued on Page Eleven. World here were made known by federal

NEW PEACE PROPOSAL FOR ENTENTE ALLIES

Central Powers Have Agreed to a Ten Days' Armistice.

lish the Union party here. A gathering of Union leaders met last night and appointed a permanent committee for Centre Winnipeg.

JACOB NOMINATED.

Winnipeg. Dec. 28.—Robert Jacob, barrister, last night was unanimously nominated as Union candidate for North Winnipeg, to fill the vacancy in the Provincial Legislature caused by the resignation of R. A. Rigg (Labor), who contested this constituency in the recent Federal election, and was defeated. The nominating convention was composed of delegates representing the Liberals. Conservatives. next of kin, Great War Veterans and Returned Soldiers' Association.

PEGINA'S POLL reached between the Bolsheviki forces and the troops of Gen. Kaledines at Rostov, with a neutral zone between

Hamilton, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Four thousand union workmen refused to go to work today, and as a result a general strike of union men has resulted from the imprisonment yesterday of thirty union leaders, who were charged with rioting in the recent disorders here. While it was at first thought the strike today was to be only of one day's duration as a protest against the imprisonment of their fellow-workers, it early became known that the strike leaders had decided the strike would last until the men are released from fall.

Practically every factory in the city is either closed down completely or seriously affected by the strike. FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 27 .-REPORTING FOR DUTY Gordon Mott of the Royal Flying Corps of Canada was killed at Benbrook field in a fall this morning.

WILSON 61 TODAY. ailowed under the military service act, quite a number of men reported for duty today and were taken on the strength of the 1st Quebec Regiment.

NOTED SPECIALIST DEAD.

Baltimore, Dec. 28.—Dr. Charles W. Mitchel, noted specialist in children's diseases, died today of pneumonia. He was born in Baltimore 59 years ago.

WILSON 61 TODAY.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Coincident with the taking over of the American railroads for the duration of the war, President Wilson today is celebrating his 61st birthday. No special ceremony is planned at the White House as the war-time rush of work makes impossible any deviation in the president's daily routine.

Involved, Declares Foreign Minister Pinchon - Reasserts Intention of All the Allies to Stick Together.

Paris, Thursday, Dec. 27 (delay ed).—France will not accept a peabased on conditions before the Foreign Minister Pichon declar replying in the Chamber of Ditoday to the peace terms of tral powers outlined to Rusasserted that Germany was confined to involve France and the confined to the peace terms of tral powers outlined to Rusasserted that Germany was confined to involve France and the peace terms of the pe

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The foreign minister said Germany was seeking to protract the negotiations with the Russians, reestablishing commercial relations in the meantime, believing that in this way the Bolsheviki might be checkmated later. Referring to the terms which the central powers offered to the Russians, as published today, he said:

"Germany is trying to involve us in her Maximalist negotiations. After suffering as we have, we cannot accept peace based on the status quo. By agreeing with our allies, we are ready to discuss direct propositions regarding peace, but this is indirect.

Lose and Gain Ally.

"Russia can treat for a separate peace with our enemies or not. In either case, the war for us will continue. An ally has falled us, an continue. An ally has failed us, an ally who in preceding years carried off great victories. It is a great success for our enemy, but another ally has come; from the other end of the world a democracy has risen against Germany's appetite for conquest.

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"At the conference in Parls a program was drawn up, and in consequence unity of action on the part of the Allies will make itself felt, even to Macedonia. Germany and her allies have undertaken the impossible task of conquering the world. The world will conquer them "In this war France will have played a great role, for, as Roosevelt has said, she will have saved humanity."

M. Pichon declared that the secret treaties published by the Bolsheviki had not compromised France. He had not compromised France. He said the German diplomats who were

pretending to show indignation were
the very men who sought to negotiate a secret treaty with the old
regime in Russia, who altempted to
draw Mexico into war against the
United States, and organized plots
in Argentina.

Alsace-Lorraine.

After referring to the German
declaration that Alsace and Lorraine
would never be surrendered, M.
Pichon said:

"The question of Alsace-Lorraine
does not affect France alone. It is
a world question. It is not a territorial problem, but a moral problem.
On its solution depends whether or
not the world shall have a durable
peace." This statement was greeted with applause. peace." This statement was greeted with applause.

The occupation of Jerusalem, M. Pichon said, was a victory for the civilized world. He added that the

TROOPS OF GERMANS CAUGHT UNDER FIRE OF THE FRENCH GUNS

city would be given an internationa

Concentration of Force Dispersed by Petain's Batteries.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The French war of-ice issued the following official statefice issued the following official statement last night:

"In the Argonne we repulsed an enemy surprise attack.

"On the right bank of the Meuse the activity of the artillery on both sides continued very lively in the region of Caurieres Wood and Bezonvaux. Northeast of Bezonvaux our batteries caught under their fire an enemy troop concentration which was dispersed with losses "Beiglan communication: During th Belgian communication: "Belgian communication: 'During last 48 hours there has been little a ity on the Belgian front, During night of December 26-27 the art fighting was rather intense in the mude sector."

"Army of the East, Dec. 26.—No of importance occurred. The weather continues."

THE WEATHER

London, Dec. 28.—Thirty Norweglan sallors are believed to have been killed in the sinking of five Norweglan stamers by German submarines, according to a statement issued by the Norweglan foreign office, and forwarded by the Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company. The steamers sunk were the Regin, of 1.845 tons; Start, of 729 tons; Ragna of 1.747 tons; the Noirdpol of 1.800 tons, and Spro. TOMORROW—EXTREMELY COLD.

local snow BY BOLSHEVIKI RULERS | nurines, but generally cold tonight and on Saturda Temperatures.

Petrograd, Thursday, Dec. 27.—Soldiers, acting under the orders of Finance Commissioner Menshinsky, today surrounded and seized all private banks in Petrograd, including the branch of the National City Bank of New York. The manager, Ri R. Stevens, was arrested and detained for a short time.

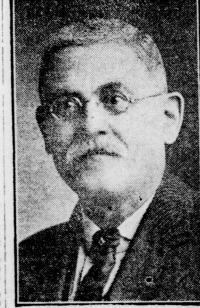
Many bank directors were arrested. Several surrendered the keys to the bank vaults, but Stevens refused. The following were the lowest temperatures during

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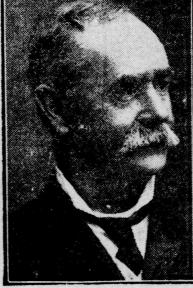
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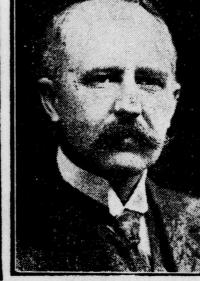
plied to the Grand Trunk Pacific. WHICH OF THESE WILL BE UNLUCKY ON JANUARY 1?

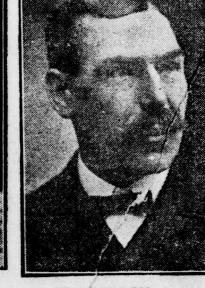












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