

LENINE'S REASON FOR FOOD SHORTAGE IN PETROGRAD

Says Refusal of Ukrainian Peasants to Deliver Wheat to Bolsheviki is the Cause of Troubles.

Washington, April 8.—Refusal of Ukrainian peasants to deliver wheat to the Bolsheviki, together with the disorganization of the railway system in Russia, was blamed by Vladimir Lenin, in a recent speech in Petrograd, for the desperate food situation in the former capital of the Russian empire. Swedish press reports, transmitted to the state department today giving a summary of Lenin's speech, quote the Bolsheviki premier as telling his Petrograd audience that he had implored the Ukrainian Soviet to send fifty million pounds of wheat to avert famine in Petrograd and Moscow, communist forces in the Ukraine were too insufficiently organized to take the wheat forcibly from the peasants. Lenin is further quoted as saying that half of that amount of wheat would be of great assistance in case it was impossible to get more, but that it seemed doubtful if they would be able to get even twenty-five million pounds. He declared that the peasants were mere playthings in the hands of the opponents of the Soviet government, and that those enemies were trying to starve the Bolsheviki.

POSTAL CLERKS IN CONFERENCE

Meet Members of the Cabinet to Discuss Better Pay and Better Hours of Work.

Ottawa, April 8.—Conferences between postal employees and members of the government are in progress today, and will be continued tomorrow. This morning's conference was between representatives from Winnipeg, or western letter carriers, railway mail clerks and post office clerks. They were received by Senator Blomfield, Postmaster-General Robertson and Hon. N. W. Rowell, president of the privy council, and Dr. Coulter, deputy postmaster-general. The claims uncovered a wide field and include generally questions of better pay and working conditions. The conferences are proceeding in private. Tomorrow representatives from Toronto, Hamilton and other points are to meet the government.

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THE COMMUNISTS FAILED TO SCARE THE ALLIES

Movement, Engineered by Karolyi, Has Reacted and Scared Out Those Who Planned it.

Budapest, Monday, April 7.—(By The Associated Press)—It is considered certain here that the communist movement was engineered by Count Michael Karolyi, the former president, to scare the Allies by a spectre of Bolshevism and thereby draw attention to the situation in Hungary. It was a measure of despair, the results of which have scared out those who planned the move as it has given an opportunity for Bela Kun, the foreign minister, to attempt to become a dictator of the Trotsky type. The communists are opposed by the socialists who are attempting to form a moderate socialist government.

All who dare, from waiters to manufacturers, inform the correspondent that none but a few mad men in Budapest want nationalization of property and other similar communist schemes. Bela Kun in speeches yesterday and today attempted to make the people believe that the visit here of General Smuts, the Allied commissioner to Hungary, was the recognition of the aims of the communist government. It is reported in some quarters that General Smuts came here with authority to adjust new boundary lines for Hungary under the armistice, but that he left here for Paris by way of Prague without doing so.

ALL EXCITED OVER LIQUOR QUESTION

Special Election to be Held at Wellington, N. Z., to Settle the Liquor Status.

Wellington, N. Z., April 8.—Much excitement is preceding the special election to be held on Thursday, April 10th, to decide upon the continuance of the liquor license system or prohibition with compensation to liquor interests. Both sides express confidence in the result.

If prohibition is not carried future polls will be held for decision of the triple issue of continuance of licensing prohibition without compensation or state purchase and control, an absolute majority of the votes cast being necessary to carry any of the propositions.

MERCHANT KING DIES SUDDENLY

Frank W. Woolworth Passed Away at His Long Island Home Yesterday.

New York, April 8.—Frank W. Woolworth, founder and proprietor of the chain of five and ten cent stores in the United States, Canada and England, whose death occurred suddenly today at Glen Cove, Long Island, suffered a nervous breakdown about six years ago and has been in failing health since that time. He had been able to take an active interest in his business affairs, however, until last Friday, when he went to his country home on the advice of his physicians. He developed a cold on the trip and gradually grew weaker. His doctors gave nervous exhaustion and septic poisoning as the cause of his death.

PROPERTY MISSING AFTER KINMEL RIOT

Several Persons Fined in London Court for Swiping Tea, Meat, Bread and Clothing.

London, April 8.—(Canadian Associated Press)—A lot of Canadian government property was missing after the Kinmel Park outbreak and several persons were fined yesterday at the local sessions of being in possession of it. The goods included tea, meat, bread and clothing. The lawyer who appeared for the accused said that it was impossible for him to resist the temptation to sample the things which were thrown about during the riots and when tons of tobacco and cigarettes were given away by the soldiers.

MOTHER PLEADS FOR HER SON

Cottin's Mother Intercedes in His Behalf With President Poincare.

Paris, April 8.—Mrs. Cottin, mother of Emile Cottin, who was sentenced to death several weeks ago for his attack on Premier Clemenceau in February, today appealed personally to President Poincare to exercise clemency in her son's case. The mother was accompanied to the president's residence by her son's lawyer.

STATE OF VICTORIA MOVES RAPIDLY

Has Expended Over Five Millions in Land for Returned Soldiers.

Melbourne, April 8.—The State of Victoria, of the Commonwealth of Australia, has expended up to date more than \$5,200,000 in the purchase of land for the settlement of repatriated soldiers, it was announced today. A total of 37,600 acres has been purchased.

F. A. DYKEMAN & CO. Easter Exposition

Giving formal display to the delightful new styles for Spring and Easter. Commencing Wednesday, April 9th, and Thursday, 10th, and continuing on till Easter.

An exposition of lovely modes in which Paris and New York unfold their choicest and most fascinating secrets fully and freely to you.

Presenting with metropolitan eclat and profusion Fashion's latest approvals in SUITS, FROCKS, COATS, LINGERIE, SKIRTS, BLOUSES, NECKWEAR, GLOVES AND HOSIERY.

SUITS COATS FROCKS

which form a vitally important item in her wardrobe—Dame Fashion has been lavish in her variety. There are youthful little box Coats, or smart Coats with "hoesteering" belts. Fashionably narrow skirts are shirred at the waist, and the majority of the Suits introduce a delightful and effective contrast with the very new waistcoats. Tricotage, Wool Poplins, Fine Serges, and Gabardines, are the fabrics in highest favor, while Navy Blue holds undisputed sway as the favorite color, with Dust, Grey, Caster, Taupe, Fox, to offer variety. Price \$25.00 to \$75.00.

the SPRING COATS which do service with everything from trim Serge Dresses to sheerest summer frocks. Buttons form the chief trimming, as well as accentuating the long, graceful lines. Such delightful materials as Velours, Tricotines, Bunny Cloth, Evora Cloth, Poirer Twill, and Whiteys are employed in their development, and the colors are again Rookie, Dust, Stone, Caster, and Blue. A particularly striking feature, and by no means a small one, are the over-collars on these Coats. Colors such as Dust, Victory Red, French Blue, in plain checks and spots are exceptionally rich, in such silks as Kuma-Kuma, Willow - Faille, Dew-Kist. Excellent values at \$25.00 to \$55.00.

Blue Serge, and Serges and Satin developed in straight lines, are the main features of the Spring Street Frocks. Should it sound as though there were a sameness, such thoughts are dispelled by the interesting trimmings which give variety, such as exquisite embroidery, in large and effective designs, done in Soutache Braids, yards and yards of this beautiful embroidery work finishing off the panels with rich fringe. Buttons are used on the more tailored models. Then, too, there are the Georgette Frocks with their delightful embroideries and irresistible charm in both light and dark colors. \$22.50 to \$65.00.

You Will Attend, Of Course

THE STORE HAS BLOSSOMED INTO SPRING AND EASTER DECORATIONS.

What a difference between door closing yesterday and door opening this morning. To early shoppers it would seem as though Magi and their Aides have been at work practising spells.

The store will be laughing with the very joyousness of Spring and Easter. Glorified, with lavish decorations of beautiful Spring flowers, while here and there the music of feathered songsters adds charm and pleasure to the scene. This transformation is merely an emphasis that Spring shopping season is here, and also of the fact that in these Dykeman fashion displays are presented lovely and exclusive styles in Suits, Gowns, Coats, and fine Dress accessories that are worthy of the smart shops of New York. The Spring and Easter shopping season is here, and the store splendidly ready, when you're ready, to give service not to be matched outside the largest cities.



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Your Raincoat is here

APRIL

Raincoats in the reigning style and the rays of the sun will put no damper on their usefulness. Umbrellas are good as far as they go but they often go too far—when loaned.

Raincoats from \$8.50 to \$25.

New as well as conservative models.

Gilmour's, 68 King St.

10% Off Soldiers' First Outfit.

THE WEATHER

Forecasts. Maritime — Moderate northerly winds, fine and cool. New England—Partly cloudy Wednesday and Thursday; gentle to moderate variable winds. Toronto, April 8.—The barometer has remained high north of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence, while the western storm has moved northward to Minnesota with decreasing energy. Rain has been almost general today in Ontario and light snow has fallen in Manitoba, while in other parts of the Dominion the weather has been fair.

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