

## GERMANS WARNED OUT OF SILESIA, AS POLES ATTACK

French Officers are Fired on by Insurgents—Casualties are Heavy

### BERLIN WILL "SIGN UP"

New Cabinet to Be Formed Today Headed by Majority Socialist

BERLIN, May 10.—Dr. Wirth, formerly Minister of Finance in Chancellor Papenbach's cabinet, today agreed to attempt to form a new cabinet.

BERLIN, May 10.—The latest development in the German ministerial crisis, according to the almost unanimous trend of newspaper reports is that President Ebert will today ask Paul Loebe, majority socialist president of the Reichstag, to form a new ministry. Germany is expected to accept an ultimatum on this point.

Paris, May 10.—Germany has been warned to keep troops out of Silesia. Rebel Poles Fight on.

Oppeln, Upper Silesia, May 10.—Insurgent Polish forces have crossed the Oder, and captured the town of Koel, after hard fighting. The population is fleeing in panic.

A French control officer took refuge in the Koel barracks, and the Poles opened fire on him there, according to inter-allied commission reports.

Numerous casualties are reported to have occurred at Krandrin railway station, when the Poles drove on the Germans after three days of continuous fighting.

Paris, May 10.—The fact that French occupation of all Germany would be welcomed at any time was revealed in a conversation between Herr Krupp von Bohlen, the steel magnate and a high Swedish personality whose name is withheld but is guaranteed as to its authenticity in the last issue of Le Cri de Paris. The Scandinavian is said to be an old friend of Herr Krupp, and naturally the conversation turned to reparations.

"There is not," said Herr Krupp, "one man in all Germany who has any intention of paying the indemnity demanded by France and the Allies, whatever it may be. We were thoroughly prepared, even before the London Conference, for the French policy of gradual extension of the occupation."

"We are even prepared now to let them occupy Berlin. We should prefer that they do it. We consider in effect that it would have been a good thing for us if they had done it during the first six months after our military defeat."

The Scandinavian, "Why?" "Because we believe the French soon would become tired. At the end of six months they would have judged occupation of Berlin impossible. They would not have found functionaries to take the high command under the constant menace of assassination."

Le Cri de Paris adds that is significant of the state of mind ruling today in Germany, but asks "Will Krupp modify his opinion when he sees the French enter his factories?"

### FRENCH CLASS OF '19

UNDER ARMS TILL JULY. Paris, May 10.—The army contingent of 1919, called to the colors in connection with the preparations for the possible occupation of the Ruhr Valley, will, in no case, be sent home before July, it was said today in official circles. Even if the Germans accept the Allied ultimatum, the troops mobilized for the occupation will be held in readiness for action in case Bavaria does not disarm before June 30, the time limit fixed by the Allies for completion of the disarming process, it was stated.

The contingent of 1921 will, by that time, have been sufficiently trained to take the place of the older class, it is considered, and the 1919 class will then probably be demobilized.

### FIRST CLASH BETWEEN GERMAN AND FRENCH

Duesseldorf, May 10.—The first incident between civilians and troops of the French army of occupation occurred when an automobile returning from Cologne at rapid speed with several passengers in high spirits, ran past the military outposts of Duesseldorf.

One of the occupants of the machine fired three revolver shots, one bullet severing the finger of a French sentry. The trooper who lost the digit retained his presence of mind and telephoned the number of the car ahead to the authorities at Duesseldorf. On entering the city the automobile was stopped, and its occupants arrested. They will be court-martialed.

## 34TH BATTERY TO TRAIN HERE IN CAMP FROM JULY 20 TO 25

The 34th Battery will go into Camp at Belleville on June 20th for training and will stay under arms until the 25th of that month. This arrangement was approved here last night by Brig.-Gen. King, C. M. G., D. S. O.

The Battery will be camped on property owned by Col. Ponton, just west of the Fair grounds. A camp has been held there before.

On July 3rd the gun crews—8 men each—will go to Petawawa for competitive firing practice.

The Battery is commanded by Major R. J. E. Graham. The other two batteries of the 9th Brigade, C. F. A., commanded by Lt.-Col. Rierdon, that is the Gananoque and Kingston Batteries, will train at Barriefield Camp, Kingston.

From now until camp time parades of the 34th Battery will be held Monday nights. Only those attending parades regularly will be taken into camp.

Horses—25 are needed—will be paid for at \$2.00 a day per horse.

## PURCHASE HERCHMER PROPERTY AS HOME FOR AGED POOR HERE

Fine House and Grounds on Dundas Street and John St. Purchased for \$7,500.—Charitable Institution of Belleville Now Centralized on Dundas Street.

A new home for Belleville's aged indigent is certain, the Herchmer property on Dundas street having today been secured by the Women's Christian Association of Belleville for the sum of \$7,500.

The W.C.A. now proposes to sell the old building on West Moira street and hopes to realize a fair amount for this building. With the aid of contributions and money from other sources, the association expects to finance the deal.

The Herchmer residence is a large building and one of the most commanding residences in Belleville. It dominates the crest of the slope of Dundas street hill. It is on the corner of John street and is capable of extension in both easterly and southerly directions.

The city council appointed a special committee to go over the property and consider the advisability of its purchase as the W.C.A. requested a grant of \$500.00 annually. The committee made an alternative proposal of refitting the isolation hospital, but the W.C.A. wished to centralize its activities and get the charitable institutions into a smaller area. Accordingly the association went on with the deal for the Herchmer residence and land. This purchase puts the Hospital, the Home, the County Refuge and the Children's Shelter all on Dundas St.

The W.C.A. is launching a campaign through the press, with the object of raising about \$1,500 towards the purchase of a new home for the aged of the city. Already the society has about four hundred dollars in subscriptions. Donations for this purpose will be gratefully received.

## TRY TO REVIVE ACQUATICS HERE

An aquatic club is in prospect for the coming season in Belleville. Years ago this city was on the world map as far as aquatics were concerned, when Belleville yachts raced against the fleetest keels in North American contests. Those were the days of regattas. Now an effort is being made to revive the interest in water sports and Mr. Charles A. Keeber, of the "Y," has called for Friday evening at the City Hall, a meeting of all boat owners.

Mr. Keeber may also take up the question of the establishment of a life saving crew here.

## EDDIE SCOTT GETS REVENGE

Regarding the Hillcrest victory the Peterboro Examiner says:

Going in mid-season form the Hillcrests of Toronto had little difficulty in beating the Peterboro Central League team at Riverside Park on Saturday by 17 runs to 2. The hand-picked aggregation piloted by manager Mips Egan proved one of the sweetest looking amateur ball clubs that local fans have seen.

Camden Ball Scott held the home crew to five scattered singles, one of which was made by Manager Jake Solomon as a pinch hitter in the ninth and would have had a shut out had it not been for a wild throw by Batstone. He was given great support by his team mates.

On the other hand the Petes pitching was wobbly. Lefty McElroy who opened on the rubber for the home crew had not had enough practice to get into shape and his lack of control kept him in constant trouble. He was not hit hard except in one inning and when he gets the plate located he will be an awkward proposition for any man's team to encounter. McElroy showed his gameness by striking out in succession Samuels, Batstone and Donach.

## LOOKING OVER THE MAJORS

NEW YORK, May 10.—After close to four weeks on the east and west coast, the major league clubs will start their first inter-sectional bill of the season tomorrow.

The west clubs of the National League come east and the eastern American League clubs go west. While the pennant races will not be decided in these inter-sectional skirmishes, a good line may be obtained on where the pennants are going to roost next October.

## CHILDREN CLAIM SHARE OF ESTATE

Osgoode Hall Confirms Distribution of Work by Col. Lazier Here

### SOLICITORS GET \$1,000

Mr. Justice Middleton Hears Plea Made by Mr. W. C. Mikel, K. C.

W. C. Mikel, K.C., on behalf of executors of the estate of the late W. C. West, before Mr. Justice Middleton at Osgoode Hall, moved for an order for distribution of \$9563.89 in court, balance of an estate of \$27,872.96 administered in the office of S. S. Lazier, Esq., master at Belleville. The deceased made a will September 8th, 1914 by which after bequeathing most of the estate to the family of his brother, the late Jeremiah West, including a bequest to the Methodist Church at Thomasburg, he devised the farm to his brother Jeremiah West and bequeathed him the residue of the estate. The brother, Jeremiah West, however, died before the testator. The children of a deceased sister of the testator and of another deceased brother, about eighteen in all, claimed the devise and bequest to the late Jeremiah West, alleging that the late W. C. West died intestate as to these gifts. By order of His Honor Judge Willis, made October 31st, 1918, the estate was administered in the office of the Master at Belleville who made his final report March 14, 1921.

Mr. Justice Middleton made an order confirming the Master's report and directing distribution of the estate under the fourth schedule of the report and fixing the solicitors' costs of administration at \$1000.

Porter, Butler & Payne for children of late John West; M. Wright for children of late Margaret Wilson; Wm. Carnew for children of late Jeremiah West.

## Penny Bank Well Patronized by Kiddies

Mr. H. K. Vipond, of Toronto, representing the Penny Bank of Canada was in Belleville today to speak to the school children here on behalf of the institution. Belleville children have 10% accounts and have \$5,500 in the bank as compared with \$4,700 in Sept. last. Mr. Vipond will speak to the Rotary Club some time soon on the Penny Bank idea and show its good points to them.

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