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HAS DEMOBILIZATION BEEN TOO RAPID?

Situation in Europe Said to be Such as to Threaten New Outbreak, That Appearance of Peace Has Been Mistaken for Reality. Scheme of Demobilization Must be Revised.

(Special to The Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The Central News declares that as a result of the Allied discussions in Paris the whole aspect of demobilization has undergone a sudden and vital change. This is being shown in the drastic conditions demanded of Germany for a renewal of the armistice. On authority of an unimpeachable character, says the Central News, it can be stated that a situation exists in Europe that may break out again at any moment. The Allied War Council has arrived at a decision which means that the

British people have mistaken the appearance of peace for reality. This decision means that the new British ministry must revise the whole scheme of army demobilization. The decision is that Great Britain in proportion to its military strength must maintain an army of occupation on the Rhine front for many months. The rapid increase in demobilization recently announced were continued there would in a few months be no army in France to undertake the obligations which by common decision of the Allies have been placed upon British shoulders.

SOLDIERS REPORTED DEAD TURN UP ALIVE

Some of Their Wives Have Re-married and Legislation Will be Required to Straighten Out Entanglements.

(Special to The Guardian.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 16.—Fifteen hundred Canadian soldiers who were reported as missing and presumably dead have been located in Germany, says the Ottawa Journal, since the armistice was signed. Reports have

been received at Ottawa already of a number of cases where wives of these soldiers who were reported missing and later dead have re-married. It is possible that legislation may have to be introduced to straighten out these tangles.

Derbyshire Town Grateful to Canada

(Special to The Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 16.—A movement is afoot in Buxton, the beautiful little Derbyshire town where so many Canadians wounded and incapacitated have been cared for, to give public expression to the feeling that we are grateful for the excellent behaviour and management of the troops. Public reference is made to the manner in which Canadian officers have endeavored to interest the inhabitants in the troops by sports and hospitality.

Riga Now in Hands Of Russian Red Army

(Special to The Guardian.)

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—Riga is now completely in the hands of the Russian Red Army, according to a Mitau despatch to the Vossische Zeitung. Bolshevik forces have advanced from Drinsk and occupied the station at Neugut, 31 miles from Mitau. Mitau is overflowing with refugees. German soldiers, the last persons leaving Riga, report that the city is burning in several places and that the Russians and Letts are murdering and plundering.

Troopship Through Panama En Route to Vancouver

(Special to The Guardian.)

PANAMA, Jan. 16.—The British troopship Empress of Asia passed through the Panama Canal today on its way from England to Vancouver with 1400 discharged soldiers on board.

CONDENSED SPECIALS

TO DAIRYMEN—SANITARY BUTTER paper, printed. "Fresh Dairy Butter"—36c per 100. Per post 40c. Guardian Office. 9205-6-24Mtf.

WANTED SECOND CLASS TEACHER (Protestant), for Upton school No. 67. Supplement \$60. Summer holidays. A. S. Morson, Secretary. Bridgetown, P. O.

Another German Sub Surrendered

(Special to The Guardian.)

PARIS, Jan. 16.—The German submarine U 129, has arrived at Brest, a fortnight later than other U boats turned over to France. She is the largest world's submarine being 342 feet long and having a displacement of 2,800 tons. She made only one cruise before the armistice was signed.

Canada's Big Showing At Famous Lyons Fair

(Special to The Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Canada will be well advertised at the famous Lyons fair in France in March. The Canadian Government has taken fifty booths in addition to the railway exhibit. Fifty three Canadian industrial concerns have signified their intention of exhibiting. Nearly every great Canadian industry except flour will be represented. None of the big flour companies are advertising their product.

Liebknicht Not Dead But Taken Prisoner

(Special to The Guardian.)

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—Dr. Karl Liebknicht the Spartacan leader has been captured. It was learned late tonight by officers and men of the division of Mounted Rifle Guards who arrived in Berlin today. The Spartacan leader is said to have been seized and taken to the fashionable Hotel Eden in the western part of Berlin. Private telephone communication with the Hotel was cut off abruptly soon after it was reported that he had been taken there.

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

Toronto, Jan. 17. Cold with snow. Tide will be high this morning at 11.52 and tomorrow at 12.32; it will be high tonight at 11.19 and tomorrow at 12.

First quarter of the moon was on Thursday, January 9th. Full moon Thursday, January 16th.

PREMIER ARSENAULT DEALS WITH IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

Farmers at Big Meeting Heard with Pleasure That Means are to be Taken to Improve Roads, Supply Further the Demands for Fertilizer and Carrying Out of Under-Drainage. Splendid Addresses Given Touching on Reconstruction and Other Important Matters.

The joint meeting of the Farmer's Institutes and Egg Circles held in Prince of Wales College Hall on Wednesday evening was largely attended. Hon. M. McKinnon, who presided, gave an excellent address the keynote of which was "co-operation and contained much that was encouraging to the farmers.

At the close of his remarks he called on Corporal P. A. Hughes of the Returned Soldiers Commission, who spoke on reconstruction, and the duty devolving on the people in regard to the rebuilding of the country and re-establishing the returned soldier in civil life.

Corp. Hughes said that the Department of Civil Re-establishment, Ottawa, and the Department of Labour are doing their utmost to grapple with the conditions. Within the next ten months some three thousand soldiers will be coming to this Province. It should be the aim of our people that these men be returned here as citizens and not have to leave their native Province and seek homes in the West. This Island maintaining today a population of some 90,000 people could be the home of 500,000.

Corp. Hughes then referred to the movement inaugurated to start new industries and the organizing of the citizens Industrial Committee. The Government is going to lend assistance where most needed towards re-establishing the soldier in "civil life" and the speaker asked that the farmers combine with the commission whose great ideal is to help the whole Province. Each and every man should be a booster for P. E. Island so that the boys returning from overseas may have a home that they will be proud to live in.

Premier Arsenault, speaking on reconstruction and development for the future said that today the local Government is faced with four problems (1) Education; (2) Fertilizer for the farms of the Province; (3) Good Roads and (4) the question of Under-drainage in order that a large section of the land may raise more crops and produce more food.

Regarding education he said that the time has passed when good service can be expected for little money. Men working at the host menial labor are commanding \$3.00 and \$4.00 a day. There are people who expect teachers to work at salaries insufficient to clothe and feed them. We had lost perhaps one hundred teachers to the West this summer. New Brunswick and Nova Scotia have the same trouble. The P. E. I. Governments have done their duty in the matter already paying more per capita than any other Province. It is up to the people themselves to make up their minds to pay more than they have been, now that they know how matters stand. He believed that the people realizing the seriousness of the situation would meet it in the right way.

In reference to fertilizer he said some attempt had been made to provide good fertilizer from St. Peter's Bay and that some 4000 cars of mud had been taken from there, but that the demand is greatly in excess of the production. The trouble is lack of transportation only one-third of the mud having been taken out than could otherwise have been. From 30 to 50 cars a day more are needed. Steps have been taken to meet the situation and he believed the people were willing to back up the expenditure necessary to this end.

In reference to roads the Premier said that the road question is one which is occupying attention in many parts of the world. Two thousand years ago the Romans were building better roads than many today. The roads they built in England, with repairs from time to time are as good as ever. While such roads as these cannot be built here owing to lack of material, roads can be built that would

be infinitely superior to those we have. The want of money and shortage of labor are also factors which have retarded the making of good roads in this Province. At the recent conference of premiers a man was appointed to look into this matter of good roads and at the next session of Parliament he was pleased to say a sum will be appropriated for each of the Provinces. This amount in itself would not be very great but supplemented by that derived from auto licenses would mean considerable in other Provinces the annual revenue from auto license is being funded solely for road making and this would be done in the spring when the farmers are all busy and the horses cannot be taken off seeding lies in tractors. The Government now has three Cleveland tractors purchased late in the fall which will be put on the road early in the spring with the road machine and split log drag when as much will be done in a day as with three road machines and three horses. A road patrol with motor trucks will be established to see where repairs are most needed.

As to the tilage question the Premier said that a machine is now here by means of which a great deal more can be done than has been. If the demand holds there will be a plant for all the tiles necessary.

In this way our large areas of non-productive land can be made productive by a system of underdrainage.

In conclusion the Premier appealed to all to help the different organizations working to keep our returned men at home. A Returned Soldier's Commission is being formed and he hoped all would lend their aid to assist the movement bearing in mind that we owe our liberty to those men who kept the Germans from breaking through.

Mr. J. E. Sinclair expressed his appreciation at seeing so many present at the convention. He endorsed the sentiments expressed by the Premier regarding the returned soldiers and said the co-operation of the farmers was necessary for placing them back in civil life. Mr. Sinclair said there was a great field here in the poultry industry and allied to that there might be a great industry in canning poultry. Not only poultry could be canned but other products of the farm—there could be canning of fruits, jams, and pickles for all of which there is an unlimited market. The solution of the question rested with the people in co-operation and they must stand by those who put their money into such an industry. The first duty is to get returned soldiers properly placed.

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CENTRAL FARMERS' INSTITUTE MEETINGS

President J. M. Laird Appeals for More Co-operation Important Resolutions Passed.

The Central Farmers Institute opened in Prince of Wales College yesterday afternoon, there being a large attendance.

The President, Mr. J. M. Laird of Kelvin Grove delivering his address said:

The year that has just closed is one that will go down in history as the year which marked the destiny of Canada and the British Empire. For over four years our Empire has been submerged in the most brutal war the world has ever known. The atrocities of the German army, combined with their submarine warfare, all prompted by the Kaiser, and his colleagues has been a very strong incentive to the British army and navy, and the British people at home to honor and revere the principles of true manhood in the discharge of their duties in the great struggle for freedom and for righteousness.

Prince Edward Island has played her part nobly in furnishing both men and money. The sacrifice which a great many of our people have been called upon to bear has been painful, but they have the consolation to cherish that their sacrifice was made in a conflict on the result of which depended the destiny of our Empire. The Victory Loan subscriptions have also been most creditable, and the noble work of the Red Cross and Patriotic Funds, etc., should not go without our most sincere approval.

"We trust that the upheaval in Russia and Germany at the present time will not result in anything serious, but that the nations of the world may establish a peace which will bind them together into a true brotherhood which will endure for all time.

"As farmers we have suffered a great deal in shortage of labor. The best and most efficient of our farm laborers have either volunteered or have been drafted leaving the farmers very seriously handicapped, and lessening production to a very large extent. However as soon as our army is demobilized, and transportation is readjusted, the farmer will be placed on new footing, and with the

proper co-operation and a complete organization should find a ready market for all farm products, especially live stock and live stock products.

"The Executive of the Central Institute have been handicapped on account of not having the necessary funds at their disposal to defray the expense of meeting, consequently it was almost impossible to get a full meeting. Late in the summer the Executive decided to ask each subordinate institute for a fee of ten cents per institute member. Some responded and some did not, but unless financial aid is forthcoming the Central Institute will not be the benefit to the country that it should be.

"The time has come, when we as farmers have new difficulties facing us, new problems to solve, and the only efficient way to accomplish anything is to stand together, and demand our rights as the United Farmers of Ontario are doing. The returned soldiers is making his demand and all honor to him; the laborer is making his demand, and unless we as farmers stand up for our rights and do it right now, we will never rise to the higher plane in the development of our country which is justly ours.

"The Department of Agriculture has done much for the Live Stock Industry of our province, especially for the sheep industries. Last year some four carloads of pure-bred sheep were imported, which will be of inestimable value in the building up of pure-bred and grade flocks.

"The Canadian Wool Growers, Ltd., is an organization well worthy of mention at this time; every farmer knows the value of selling his wool according to the grade, and as the results for last year are already made public and will be discussed at a later meeting of this convention, I need only mention it in passing, and put in a good word as one who patronized the Association with good results. Another organization that we must not pass by is the Canadian Farm-

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NEW ARMISTICE TERMS TO BE PRESENTED

Provide for Retribution and Restitution. All Machinery and Goods Stolen Must be Restored. German Gold Must be Given Up.

(Special to The Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The new armistice terms to be presented to Germany by Marshal Foch are unofficially stated here to include the following:

First, retribution upon the Germans for the murder and ill-treatment of all Allied prisoners.

Second, the machinery and goods stolen by Germany from France and Belgium to be at once given up; it is pointed out that France alone has 500,000 men who will be out of work until this machinery is returned.

Third, German gold amounting to more than £100,000,000 to be moved from Berlin to a safe place, probably Frankfurt, and protected from Bolshevism in Germany enroute. Certain other property to be surrendered.

Fourth, Germany to give over her shipping of which she is believed to have 4,000,000 tons to carry food supplies to countries in Europe in need of them.

Fifth, any U. boats on the stocks pointed out that France alone has 500,000 men who will be out of work until this machinery is returned.

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT AND LIQUOR BUSINESS

Licensed Vendors will be Abolished. Government will Take Over the Business Eliminating Private Gain and Providing Pure Liquor.

(Special to The Guardian.)

TORONTO, Jan. 16.—Licensed Vendors of liquor in Ontario are to be abolished at the coming session of the legislature. Instead of the seven agencies in operation throughout the Province for the sale of liquor the Government has decided to take over the business itself in hopes that by so doing the abuses which made the existing system unsatisfactory will be done away with. Under the new plan

customers will be ensured or a supply of pure liquor and private gain will be eliminated.

Announcement of this radical change in the Temperance Act was made yesterday by Sir Wm. Hearns. At the same time he made it clear that it is not the Government's intention to take a vote on the Ontario Temperance Act in June of this year as provided in the Act. Instead the vote will be taken as soon as practicable after the return of the soldiers.

MAGNIFICENT START FOR S. A. DRIVE

Preliminary Canvas in the City Nets \$1,375 and Enthusiastic Welcome Promised Canvassers.

Mr. S. A. McLeod, chairman of the Special Contributions Committee for the Salvation Army Drive, informed the Rotarians at the luncheon yesterday that he and Mr. L. E. Prowse and Mr. H. V. Buntain had been out for three hours that forenoon and had met with the most cordial reception everywhere they went. As the result of their brief canvass they had received in cash \$1,375 and promises besides. Committees going out, he assured the Rotarians, were certain of a hearty reception and generous support. President Van Buskirk said he had seen Adjutant Hurd who had assured him that the organization for the district was almost completed and the prospects most encouraging. He himself had challenged St. John Rotarians to a friendly rivalry to see which would exceed their objective by the greatest percentage and he felt confident that Charlottetown would be the winner.

Prime Minister And S. A. Drive

Very glad to send my best wishes for every success in the endeavour of the Salvation Army to raise a Million dollars for its Canadian home and overseas work.

"The effort of the Salvation Army in aid of the National purpose is worthy of the highest appreciation."

Von Hindenburg Will Head German Troops

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 16.—Field Marshal Von Hindenburg will soon take command of the German troops opposing Polish forces in eastern Germany, according to advices received from Bromberg, quoting newspapers printed in the province of Posen.

Premier Lloyd George Fought for Dominions

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, Jan. 16.—A telegram from Paris states that Premier Lloyd George brilliantly fought the case for separate representation for the Dominions, India and the native states. He urged that the principal basis of representation should be actual war efforts of the countries affected and that some ratio in connection therewith should be observed.

Italian Cabinet Has Resigned

(Special to The Guardian.) ROME, Jan. 16.—The entire Italian cabinet has resigned. Premier Orlando was at work today on the formation of a new cabinet.

Scotian With Troops Arrives in St. John

(Special to The Guardian.) ST. JOHN, Jan. 16.—The Royal Mail steamer Scotia docked here at five o'clock Wednesday afternoon after being daily expected since Sunday. She is thirteen days out of Liverpool. Capt. W. H. Hanes, with 39 officers, 11 N. C. O's and 15 men. There are also on board 271 civilians of whom 33 are children. The officer in charge of the troops is Major Henry A. Wise, with Capt. L. D. Shaw as paymaster, and Major F. G. Logie as Medical officer.

Among the Island men on board Private Fred G. Bennett, 231, Alberton; William R. Dennis, 105th Charlottetown; Robt. Gass, First Depot Batt. Charlottetown; Harry Manderson, Malpeque; John McFarlane, Charlottetown; William McLellan, 55, Charlottetown; Reginald S. Rogers, 56th Garrison Artillery, Alberton; William Vessey, 60th York. These men left yesterday afternoon for Halifax where they will receive their discharge. They report a good trip over, no complaints and noncommissioned officers presented ships staff with testimonial address.