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OMINOUS SILENCE CLOSES ROUND BERLIN

Telegraph and Telephone Communication Cut Off Just as Battle was Brewing, Soldiers Posted with Machine Guns and the Streets Strewn with Dead in Hands of Mob.

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Telegraphic and cable wires connecting Berlin with the world outside were silent last night and early this afternoon. That silence is unbroken. No direct communication comes from the trouble-threatened German captal.Since early in the afternoon the day's doings were ominous; a battle was brewing, soldiers had been posted on buildings in the Wilhelmstrasse with machine guns and grenades ready for "Business"; the streets, already raked with fire and strewn with dead, were in the hands of storming mobs with their wild cries of "Nieder Nieder." Then came silence, the cables ceased to talk, communication was shut off, the Telegraph Offices may be in the hands of the mob or under censor. Berlin may have cried Kamerad to Bolshevism or be in the throes of deadly civil conflict. The menace that threatened civilzaton destroys itself.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT OVERTHROWN. REBELS HOLD PRINCIPAL POINTS.

(Special to The Guardian)

PARIS, Jan., 9.—The Ebert Sceidemann government in Germany has been overturned, the extremists having gained the upper hand in Berlin, after sanguinary fighting. According to the latest German advices received here a new revolutionary government has been proclaimed composed of Independent Socialists. A part of the government troops are reported to have gone ever to the rebels and the Spartacans now hold the principal points in Berlin.

BRITAIN'S PURCHASES FROM NEW ZEALAND

During the War the Imperial Government Purchased 78,000,000 Pounds Sterling Worth of Produce from New Zealand.

(Special to The Guardian)

WELLINGTON, N. Z. Jan. 9.—Total payments made by the Imperial Government for New Zealand produce during the war amount to 78,000,000 pounds Sterling. The chief items were butter, 4,000,000 pounds; cheese, 10,000,000 pounds; wool, 27,000,000 pounds; frozen meat 31,000,000 pounds. A large amount of purchased produce still awaits shipment.

HIGH COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE TO BE VACANT

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, Jan., 9.—It is widely rumoured that a change is imminent in the High Commissionership. It is understood that Sir George Perley returns to Canada in April, whether permanently or temporarily is not yet known. Sir George Foster declined the position owing to the heavy personal expense entailed. The name of Lord Beaverbrook is more frequently mentioned in Canadian circles here though some still have the belief that Lloyd George may seek Lord Beaverbrook's aid in some British ministerial position which will not involve heavy administration duties.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BIBLE SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Canadian Bible Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society was held last evening in St. James Church, and was well attended.

Mr. W. S. Louson, the President, presided.

The reports of the committee and Treasurer were presented and on motion adopted.

The committee's report shows that the P. E. Island Auxiliaries had a most successful year. The total contributions received from branches amounted to $3,738.29 being $1,171.50 above that of last year, which to that date had been the most successful year in the history of the Auxiliary.

There has been a regular increase in the free gifts given by this Auxiliary to the head office in Toronto of carrying on the general work of the Society. In the year 1914, $1600 was the free gift while this year it is $2,500.

Reference was also made to the work of the Society is connection with the great world war there having been upwards of eight million copies of the Khaki Testaments distributed among the contestants. Of these the Canadian Society distributed nearly half a million and in our province during the past year 750 copies have been given to our own soldier lads.

Mr. W. S. Louson the President in his address referred to the honor of being associated with an organization that had been of such great service, not only through the greatest war of all time but reaching out world wide in all directions, and distributing the word of God in over five hundred different languages. Mr. Louson expressed heartfelt thanks to all the branches, to subscribers and to fellow workers, of the Prince Edward Island Auxiliary for helping in making the year just closed the best on record.

The history of the British and Foreign Bible Society is one to be proud of during the late war.

Since 1914 the Bible Society has been distributing over seven thousand volumes every working day, year in and out, to the fighting men, the sick and wounded, prisoners of war, exiles, and refugees, printed in over twenty-five different languages. Thousands of additional copies are being asked for daily at the headquarters of British and Foreign Bible Society and its main brnaches, in all civilized countries of the world, besides the great distribution in heathen countris.

In his remarks the president referred to many courtesies, and of the

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS MEETINGS, ETC

**DERRY L.O.L. will meet on Monday Jan. 13th, 1919 instead of Wednesday, at 7.30 p. m. Arch Degree.
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Britain Will Purchase Canada's Wheat Crop

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, Jan. 9.—With the arrival of R. Magill of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange and J. A. Maharg, President of the Western Grain Growers, Canada's Trade Commssion will negotiate with the British Government for the purchase of this year's wheat crop and other Canadian Agricultural products. It is quite possible that wheat prices will be fixed for this year's crop but at a considerable reduction to the prices paid for the last two years.

Col. Roosevelt's Estate Half to Million Dollars

(Special to The Guardian)

OYSTER BAY,Jan.9—The will of Col. Roosevelt will be filed at Minola in the near future it was said tonight by a friend of the family. The will is said to be very brief. Col. Roosevelt's fortune has been estimated at between $500,000 and one million but little is definitely known on the subject. The Sagamore Hill estate is said to be worth about $150,000 according to present values of similar properties. Since he left the presidency Colonel Roosevelt's earnings with his pen have been very large.

Death of Mr. Hubert Howatt, M.L.A.

It is with a deep sense of repuest that the Guardian today is called on to record the death of Mr. William Hubert Howatt, M. L. A., St. Eleanors, which occurred at his home there at an early hour yesterday morning. For many years Mr. Howatt had been a sufferer from asthma and it appears that it was during an attack of this distressing malady the lodge-room buildings of these soc- esteemed member of the Masonic, Pythian, and. I. O. O. F. fraternities and the flags are flying half-mast over that he passed away. Deceased was an ielles in Summerside out of respect to his memory. Mr. Howatt, who was but 51 years of age, was the son of the late Mr. Nelson Howatt of Sherbrooke and a grandson of the late Mr. Cornelius Howatt for several sessions speaker of the Legislative Assembly. His mother before her marriage was Miss Catherine Platts. The late Mr. Howatt was a man of excellent qualities and was held in high esteem by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He was always active in any movement appertaining to the progress of the community. As a farmer he was decidedly successful, as well as in other enerprises. His farm at St. Eleanors was one of the finest in the district. Since 1910 he took an active interest in the fox raising industry and was prosident of the Willow Hill Company. He was sessional clerk in the House of Commons from 1905 to 1911 and at the last general election in 1915 he was elected to represent the liberal interests in the 5th District of Prince County in the Provincial Legislature.

He leaves to mourn, besides a large circle of friends, a widow, (formerly Miss Mahala Bell of Bloomfield) one daughter, Mrs Frank Hall of Camrose, Alberta and one son, Wilfred, attending Prince of Wales College in Charlottetown. Another son Pope, yielded up his life for his country in France a few months ago. To the bereaved family sincere and heartfelt sympathy will be extended. The funeral takes place tomorrow (Saturday at 1 p.m. to The Peoples Cemetery, Summerside.

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

Tide will be high this afternoon at 4.46 and tomorrow at 5.37; tomorrow morning at 6.03 and Sunday at 7.18.

New moon on Tuesday, January 2nd.

First quarter of moon Tuesday Jan. 9th.

Lord Robert Cecil Next U.S. Ambassador

(Special to The Guardian)

PARIS, Jan., 9.—The Earl of Reading will not return to Washington as British high commissioner and special ambassador to the United States, according to a London despatch to the Echo de Paris. It is said that Lord Robert Cecil, former Assistant Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs will suceed him.

Ontario Liberals Prepare to Organize

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TORONTO, Jan. 9.—Sir Wilfred Laurier has signified his intention to be present at a convention of liberals from Ontario which will be held in Toronto 21st inst., according to the plan laid out for a series of organization meetings and concurred in by the liberal chief some months ago.

Montreal Bachelors Resist Taxation

(Special to The Guardian)

MONTREAL, QUE., Jan. 9.—More than three hundred bachelors who are determined to resist payment of the ten dollars tax levied by Montreal and are pledged to support one of their number against whom action has been entered by the city in the ccurts as a test case, assembled at the Edinburgh Cafe last night to effect an orginization to be known as the bachelors defence committee.

Dardanelles Forts To Be Destroyed?

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, Jan., 9.—Great Britain, it was learned today, has informed Turkey that the Dardanelles forts will be destroyed unless the Turks in Medina surrender immediately. Medina is in Arabia Northwest of Mecca.

THE NEED OF NEW INDUSTRIES

Mr. J. E. B. McCready Addresses the Rotary Club on this Important Subject.

Charlottetown Rotary Club luncheon in the Davies Hotel was largely attended yesterday, the speaker being Mr. J. E. B. McCready and his subject "Our Need of Industry". Treasurer C. H. Black presided and tht other guests present were Capt. Stanley Bagnall, Mr. John H. Malcolm, new manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Mr. Bert Cantwell, Mr. F. T. Watkis, Mr. W. A. Pierce, Halifax and Mr. Walter G. Roddis, Halifax. Mr. Cantwell contributed a much appreciated cornet solo accompanied on the piano by Mr. Watkis.

Mr. McCready in prefacing his valuable address on the urgent need of new industry, said that Prince Edward Island was collectively more prosperous today than ever it was before—there were more money and more valuable crops than in the previous history of the Island.But we were lopsided, we had not done so well as we ought to have done in other respects. Our population instead if increasing with our wealth was steadily decreasing as the last census showed and the war and emigration during recent years has added to our loss. There was therefore no subject of greater importance than the discussion of ways and means of keeping the population we have and adding to it, since by getting back some of those who had emigrated or new blood. In other words how were we to keep the people we have got and replace those who had gone abroad? These people had gone away for the most part because we had not profitable employment for them at home. Our two main industries, farming and fishing provid-

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Germany Paying Up Occupation Expenses

(Special to The Guardian)

COBLENTZ, Jan., 9.—Ten million marks arrived here from Berlin today by special train, this sum being the first payment by the German government of the 25,000,000 marks due in January for the expenses of the American army of occupation. The arrival of today's shipment makes a total of 64,000,000 marks which has been turned over to the American authorities for the current expense of the occupying forces.

Canadian Ordnance Purchased by British

(Special to the Guardian)

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Canadian ordnance stores on this side have been sold to the Imperial authorities under an arrangement insuring that the Canadian Government should receive 100 per cent on all new equipment.

Another Evidence Of German Treachery

(Special to the Guardian)

PARIS, Jan. 9.—At the last meeting of the armistice commission Marshal Foch called attention to the actions of the Germans who, he said, while evaculating Poland and the Baltic provinces, left their arms with the Bolsheviki thus violating the conditions of the armistice. Marshal Foch added that Germany would be held accountable for the damage done by these members of the Bolsheviki faction.

$400,000 Fire In City of Halifax

HALIFAX, Jan. 8.—The largest and most disastrous fire in Halifax during the past few years, completely gutting the Roy Building and causing damage estimated at over four thousand dollars, broke out in the basement of Winter Brothers store, Tuesday morning and burned fiercely until midnight in spite of the tremendous efforts of the Fire Department, ably assistd by a contingent of sailors, to stem the conflagration. They, however, were successful in preventing its spread to the adjacent buildings to the south, and the Mahon Building to the north.

The fire was discovered in the northwest corner of the basement under Winter Brothers' shop. The firemen arrived within a few minutes, but by that time, it had worked its way into the walls and beween the floors of the building, and it was impossible to ascertain just where it was Chemical and water streams were poured into the building but they proved futile. The fire continued to gain headway and the smoke increased in density, poured from windows on all sides, enveloping the down-town district in thick clouds, and making it impossible for the firemen to gain entrance to the edifice. Before twelve-thirty the flames swept south through the basement asd into Fifteen Cent Store. The warehouse on Granville Street, occupied by the Imperial Tobacco Company was also threatened, and the merchandise stored there was removed.

By half-past one the Roy Building was practically gutted, and the unrescued stocks of goods stored in it were either completely destroyed or irretrievably damaged by smoke and water.

In addition to the loss of the building, insured at $60,000, but which could not be replaced for $100,000, the loss in merchandise will be very heavy, especially for Winter Brothers' who had a large stock in hand in both of their stores, and who will save practically nothing. The insurance, however, will probably cover the loss. The Fifteen Cent Store, although it managed to take a great deal from the building, will also lose heavily. The only things saved from the offices occupying the second floors were documents from the vault situated near the stairway. There were a number of bachelor apartments on the the third floor and from these nothing was saved.

REPATRIATION COMMITTEE APPOINTS PRESIDENT

Co-operation of Every Municipality, Urban and Rural, in Canada is Being Secured to Insure Care of Dependents and Welcome Home.

(Special to The Guardian)

OTTAWA, Jan. 9.—The repatriation committee is including in its work the securing of the co-operation of every municipal council, rural and urban, throughout the Dominion and has appointed Mr. Harry Bragg, Provincial President, to carry out this work under its direction. Mr. Bragg is well known to Canadian Municipalities. The first duty of the Municipal representative of the repatriation committee will be to ascertain what arrangements are made for the reception of returned soldiers and their families in every municipality in Canada, urban and rural, from which one or more soldiers have gone. Where no "welcome" committee of citizens already exists in such communities the Mayor or Reeve is requested to see that such is formed.

THE SOLDIERS' CIVIL RE-ESTABLISHMENT

Must be Maintained for Years to Care for the Permanently Disabled and Incurable.

(Special to The Guardian)

TORONTO, Jan. 9.—That the department of soldiers' Civil Re-establishment is likely to remain in existence for a number of years to take care of the thousands of Canadain soldiers who have been permanently disabled in the war, is the opinion of Sir James Lougheed who is in Toronto today to attend the lecture by Sir Arthur Pearson at Massey Hall tonight. There are between 800 and 1000 insane soldiers, according to Sir James, in addition to many suffering from tuberculosis and the institutions in which they are taken care of will have to be maintained.Sir James stated that about 20,000 men would be the limit that can be expected to be demobilized during the winter months. He expects that the re-educactional work of the department will be completed within a year after demobilization.

German Elections Fixed for Jan. 19th

(Special to The Guardian)

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 9.—The big gest general election which Europe has ever seen will take place in Germany. By it the revolutionary fatherland will elect a national assembly, a body which will make a definite declaration regarding the form of Government which is to be established in the country.

U.S. Germans Planned To Invade Canada

(Special to the Guardian)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—German plans for the invasion of Canada by men in this country who had served in the Imperial German Navy were told today to the Senate Committee, proving German propaganda by A. Bruce Bilaski, head of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice.

Preliminary Conferences Have Been Delayed

(Special to The Guardian)

PARIS, Jan., 9.—President Wilson's conferences with the premiers of Great Britain, France and Italy which were to open today have been delayed and will not begin before early next week. Mr. Lloyd George is detained in London by work incident to the remaking of his cabinet. There will be a meeting today which will be attended by Mr. Wilson, premier Orlando and Japanese representatives, but it will be informal because of the absence of Mr. Lloyd George although the representatives will probably be present. It is believed that important details of the proceedure will be settled.

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REMEMBER

THAT the "dead past" can never bury its dead, and that the deeds done in the flesh have an eternal force while the ages last moulding humanity from its cave life to its present wondrous activities.

THAT the "Golden Rule" has been the silver thread in all this life from the time man merged from the brute.

THAT the morale that wo the war is but the outcome of all this so called "dead past."

AND it cannot die to day unless we will it so, forgetting our duty on the 6—13 January.