

French Troops To Make Invasion

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, May 22.—Should a refusal by the Germans to sign the treaty lead to a further invasion of Germany, the manoeuvre will be carried out almost entirely by French troops.

It is expected that Marshal Foch will remain in the Rhineland for some time. His absence from Paris at this time is considered not altogether unwelcome to the Clemenceau Cabinet.

Despite the possibility of further military intervention against Germany, the clamor for demobilization is steadily increasing in France.

Would Separate From Prussia. Coincident with Marshal Foch's appearance in the Rhineland provinces reports reach here of a strengthening of the movements for separation of the Rhineland from Prussia.

CONDENSED SPECIALS

STRAWBERRY CRATES—LIMITED number can be supplied without boxes at 40 cents each.

WANTED LIGHT SINGLE SEATED wagon. Write J. B. Box 128, City P. O.

FOR SALE—500 COLUMBIA ASPARAGUS roots, 25 cents per dozen.

FOR SALE A FIRST CLASS GROCERY business with all modern fixtures including McCloskey Account Register and Cash Register.

WANTED—A HOUSEKEEPER OR capable person to take charge. Apply between 7 and 8 p. m.

WANTED AT ONCE—HOUSE TO rent for family of two centrally located and with all modern conveniences.

FOR SALE—"IMMORTALITY CERTAIN." Swedenborg's great work "Heaven and Hell" and "The Life After Death."

LOST ON SUNDAY BETWEEN POWELL and Charlottetown a covering for auto hood. Reward. Apply Guardian office.

The Situation in Amherst is Grave

With the Exception of Two All the Big Industries of the Town are Closed.

AMHERST, May 23.—With the exception of the Robb Engineering Co., and the Amherst Planos Limited, the workshops of Amherst are all practically closed.

Record Fire Losses In United States

NEW YORK, May 23.—Fire losses aggregating \$890,000,000, the largest in any year except 1906, when the San Francisco earthquake and conflagration occurred, were reported for 1918, by the National Board of Fire Underwriters here today.

Council of Four Discusses Terms

PARIS, May 23.—The Council of Four met this morning and discussed the military terms and clauses relative to prisoners of war which will be incorporated in the treaty with Austria.

Death of Father Murphy

The many friends of Rev John T. Murphy, Parish Priest of Freetown, have learned with deep regret of his death at the Charlottetown Hospital, early on the morning of May 23rd.

On his return to his native province he was appointed to the teaching staff of St. Dunstan's College, where he remained till the following year when he was transferred to the Cathedral; but his health failing, he was obliged after a few months to remove to a milder climate.

The late Father Murphy was a man of exceptional talent, keen wit, accompanied by a deep spirituality; and his demise at the early age of forty-eight would be a matter of deeper regret did we not feel that in a short time he measured up to the standard of the Divine Architect Who must ever "char the wood ere He can limn with it."

The remains will be taken to Kinkora by the early train on Monday morning, and the interment will take place immediately after the arrival of the train from the west.

PREFERENCE WITHIN EMPIRE

GOVERNMENT IMPERIAL PREFERENCE POLICY OUTLINED BY MR. AUSTIN CHAMBERLAIN.

Government Purchases if not Made in England Will Be Made in Overseas Dominions.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 23.—Second reading was given in the House of Commons today to the Government's finance bill after motion had been rejected which objected to the policy of Imperial preference and the absence of a levy on capital.

Mr. Chamberlain in a lengthy speech combated the politics of the Liberals regarding the preference. He said the preference was to pervade our whole policy. He instanced that preference would be given in cases where capital was to be expended in one of the Dominions.

Austrian Terms Delivered Monday

(Special to The Guardian) ST. GERMAIN EN LA YE, May 23.—The Austrian peace terms, it is understood, will be delivered to the Austrian delegates here early next week, possibly Monday.

South Africa Prepares For Airlift

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 23.—Preparations being made in South Africa by officers of the aerial force of Cape de Cairo for a seaplane flight.

Slight Modification On Reparation Claims

PARIS, May 23.—The Council of Four agreed today on a reply to the German note concerning reparations. The note will be handed to the German plenipotentiaries at Versailles tomorrow and will outline some modifications in the terms regarding reparations as they now appear in the text of the peace treaty.

This will be the first modifications of the terms of the peace treaty as agreed upon by the plenary conference. Consideration of Germany's protest regarding the Saar Valley also has resulted in slight modifications of the award.

More Soldiers Arrived Last Night

Twenty-seven more men from overseas arrived in Charlottetown last evening in charge of Lieut L. K. Donald. They were met at the depot by Mayor Wright and Rev. Major Fullerton.

Following are the names: W. Adams, Montague. S. R. Grant, Murray River. J. E. Stewart, Wellington. A. McDonald, York.

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Mrs. Hawker Gets the \$50,000

(Special to the Guardian.)

LONDON, May 23.—Lord Northcliffe tonight authorized the Daily Mail to pay Mrs. Hawker \$50,000 for the benefit of herself and her baby daughter, and to Commander Grieve's next of kin in the proportion which the airman and his navigator had agreed to share the prize money between them.

The Daily Mail flight conditions and old prize money are still open to world competition.

GERMANS SCARED INTO A PANIC

Citizens of Mannheim Panic-stricken in Fear that Peace Terms will not be Signed.

ALLIES MOVE ALONG THE RHINE

Ominous Movements of Army of Occupation Towards Bridgeheads on the Rhine.

(Special to The Guardian)

MANNHEIM, May 23.—Alarmed by the belief that Germany will not sign the peace treaty and that the Allies will occupy Mannheim, citizens became panic stricken today and stormed the municipal Savings Bank.

An official expression of regret has been issued in Berlin that the people of Mannheim appear to have lost their heads.

COBLENZ, May 23.—Lieut. General Hunter Liggett, commander of the Army of Occupation here, and Major General John Hines, commander of the Third Army Corps, were on their way to London, having been recalled to Coblenz by orders from American general headquarters.

Mae Edwards Co. Scores Another Hit

"THE SPENDTHRIFT" SUCCESSFULLY STAGED BEFORE A LARGE AUDIENCE.

The popular Mae Edwards Players performed to another big house at the Prince Edward Theatre last evening, staging the decidedly interesting and strong four-act drama, "The Spendthrift."

This play has for its main subject an extravagant wife, whose expenditure of her husband's money knows no bounds with the inevitable outcome of a disrupted family.

The power of love and motherhood longings prove the means in the end whereby matters are happily readjusted and all turns out well.

The story held the close attention of the audience throughout. The different players took their various parts admirably. The cast was as follows:

Monty Ward, Chas. T. Smith, Richard Ward, Jack W. Corbin, Adolph, Jack Smith, Phil Cartwright, T. C. Macdonough, Suffern Thorn, Billy Pritchard, Aunt Gretchen, Edythe Lee, Frances Ward, Mae Edwards.

The specialties were also very entertaining and furnished much enjoyment.

K. OF C. FUNERAL NOTICE.

All members of the Knights of Columbus are requested to meet at the City Hospital on Monday morning, at six o'clock to attend the funeral of the late Brother, Rev. Father John T. Murphy. Ordinary dress.

NEGATIVE REPLY TO GERMAN NOTE

INDICATES GERMAN FAILURE TO APPRECIATE ENORMOUSNESS OF GERMAN RESPONSIBILITY

Germans Reminded That They Responsible for the Calamity Should Make it Good to the Utmost.

(Special to The Guardian.)

PARIS, May 23.—A categorical negative reply to the German note on the economic effect of the peace terms was sent by the Allied Council to the German delegation today. The reply characterized the German note as exaggerated and says that it indicates failure to appreciate the enormity of the Germans' responsibility.

Big Campaign Closes Tonight

AT 10 P. M. LAST CHANCE TO WORK FOR PRIZES

Today's work may place you in a position to win—Secure the votes by obtaining subscriptions—Close a race now here and your hours of work are few.

The campaign department will be open until 10 p. m. tonight.

Today is the last day in which you have to secure subscriptions to increase your standing for the final count in "The Guardian" circulation campaign. All subscriptions must be in this office and in the ballot box before 10 p. m. tonight.

If on account of the rush tonight we are unable to wait on all the contestants before 10 p. m. contestants in our office will be waited upon after 10 o'clock.

At ten o'clock the campaign managers office will be locked. If you arrive one minute after ten you will be too late. Tonight will be a large one, that is what you can keep in mind during the day when you are securing your final subscriptions to help you win one of the fifteen "Guardian" prizes.

Candidates should turn their subscriptions in as early as possible. If you can do so, turn in those you now have early today, and then turn in the ones you secure later in the day just as often as you can.

The Campaign Department will be up to its ears in work; all of the candidates must be waited on, and to properly accommodate them it will require the untiring and constant efforts of the Campaign Department workers.

The campaign manager hopes to be able to make the final count immediately after the campaign closes Saturday night. The count will be held in "The Guardian" building and contestants and their friends are urged to come and witness the count.

This will be done in order to give the Campaign Department an opportunity to reccheck the count. If your standing as announced that time is not as you think it should be, you must communicate with the Campaign Department within twenty four hours or the prizes will be awarded.

The final word to you is get busy and keep busy during the entire day. Secure as many subscriptions payments as you are able to obtain and go to bed feeling that you have done your best.

The following is a complete list of prizes in "The Guardian" circulation campaign. One \$1400 Overland Touring Car. One \$820 Ford Touring Car. One \$800 Karn-Morris Player Piano. Three \$475 Willis Pianos. Three \$150 Grafonolas. Three \$17.00 Wrist Watches. One \$100 Diamond Ring. One \$78.00 Pathophone and Records. One \$50.00 Diamond Ring.

Court Decides Both Ships to Blame

The Imo and Mont Blanc Both Responsible for Explosion in Halifax Harbor.

The responsibility for the Halifax explosion, which brought devastation to the major portion of the city, and exacted a toll of sixteen hundred lives, rests equally upon the Mont Blanc and the Imo, according to a decision handed down by the Supreme Court at Ottawa on Monday, reversing a decision made by Mr. Justice Drysdale in the spring of 1918, placing the blame upon the Mont Blanc.

Ex-Mayor Brown in his address spoke on behalf of the returned men. It is interesting to note in this connection the splendid war record of Queen Square School, 430 of whose former pupils went overseas, 101 of whom were wounded and 28 yielded their lives for the cause of liberty.

Mr. McIsaac, M.P., Asks Questions

(Hanzard, May 19.) MR. McISAAC: Has the minister received a communication from the crew of the steamer Brant, which is engaged in this service around the coast of Prince Edward Island?

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Spain Recognises Poland's Independence

(Special to The Guardian) MADRID, May 23.—The Spanish government has sent acknowledgement of Polish independence and recognition of the government of Poland.

Quebec Election On June 23

(Special to The Guardian) QUEBEC, Que., May 23.—General elections are to be held in Quebec on the 23rd of June, according to the statement of Premier Sir Lomer Gouin today.

The present Liberal Government of Quebec Province will be returned to power with a large majority but the present majority will be reduced, especially in the district of Montreal where it has been evident of late a wave of discontent has been rolling and gathering both volume and momentum.

THE WEATHER. TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, May 24.—Southeast winds, with some showers but partly fair. The tide will be high this afternoon at 5.52 and tomorrow at 6.10; it will be high tomorrow morning at 6.37, and Monday at 7.25.

City Schools Observe Arbor and Empire Day

Yesterday was observed as Arbor and Empire day in the city schools, and a very interesting programme was carried out in each at which there was a large attendance of parents and friends.

At Queen Square School

Dr. W. J. P. McMillan presided at Queen Square school. The attendance was very large the hall being filled to its utmost capacity. The speakers were: Colonel R. H. Campbell, Col. J. S. Jenkins, Bishop O'Leary, Mr. P. S. Brown, Dr. McGuigan, Rev. Maurice McDonald and Rev. Wm. V. McDonald.

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Opening Chorus—O Canada! The School. Address of Welcome to Col. R. H. Campbell, Richard O'Neill.

Address of welcome to former Q. S. S. Returned Heroes. Solo—"A Soldier and a man," Louis Dougan.

Recitation—"The Robin" By Jos. Corrigan and Teddy McKearney. Recitation—Baby Seed Song, by Francis McMillan and Louis McLean.

Recitation—"The World is Waiting for You," by Leo Trainor, Cyril Ryan and Jack Ledwell.

Solo and Chorus—Spread all the Sunshine You Can, Vincent Pineau and the School.

Recitation—"Choosing a Tree," Four Boys of Miss Murnaghan's class. Recitation—"The Returned Battle Flags," Ivan Trainor, Willie Power and Alfred McEchern.

Recitation—"The King and the Child," 7 Boys of Miss Fennessey's Class. Solo and Chorus—Spring Song, Bruce Pigot and the School.

Prince Street School

At Prince Street School yesterday there was a good attendance of parents and friends while the programme as given in yesterday's Guardian was nicely rendered, the music reflecting much credit on the musical directors, Miss Taylor and Miss Norton. The exercises were generally presided over by Mr. C. H. B. Longworth, while short interesting speeches were made by His Worship Mayor Wright, Rev. Mr. Taylor, Mr. R. H. Campbell and others.

West Kent School

Mr. J. P. Gordon presided and quite a large number of visitors were present.

Major (Rev.) G. C. Taylor gave a splendid address dealing with the British Empire and Mr. Henry Smith also spoke. The programme as given in yesterday's Guardian was most capably carried out, worthy of special mention being the admirable essay on the British Empire by Miss Beales.

This school's record in connection with the war is one indeed to be proud of. Their honor roll, which is yet incomplete is as follows:

Former pupils enlisted 453 Killed 29 Died on active service 7 Wounded 73 D. S. O.'s 2 D. C. M.'s 1 M. C.'s 5 M. C. and Bar 1 M. S. M. 1 M. M. 9 M. M. and Bar 2 Russian decoration 1

Rochford Square School.

A delightful programme was carried out at this school. Mr. Henry Smith, Chairman of the School Board presided and gave a pleasing address. His Lordship Bishop O'Leary and Rev. Maurice McDonald also addressed the children. The programme was as follows:

Duet—Cavalry March. Song—O'er Blooming Meadows. Recitation—When I Grow Up. Recitation—By the Little Tots. The Message of the Flag. The Queen of the Flowers. Recitation—The Maple. Essay. Chorus—Ring Out Sweet Bells of Peace. God Save the King.