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## 2,000 FINN TROOPS NOW ON THE RUSSIAN BORDER

### Armed With Machine Guns They Have Crossed the Frontier With Evident Intention of Looting. Inhabitants of Border Villages Fleeing in Terror Before Invaders.

(Special to The Guardian.)  
ARCHANGEL, Jan. 28.—A North Russian Government communication issued today says "A force of 2,000 Finns with machine guns and a long train of horses and reindeer transport have concentrated on the Russian front near Petchenga, the main body of which has

been ordered to advance in the direction of Petchenga and already has crossed the frontier. The inhabitants of the border villages are fleeing in panic stricken for refuge in Norway. It is feared that it is the intention of the Finns to loot the treasures of the Petchenga Monastery.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE AGAIN DEMORALIZED

### Pound Slumped to \$3.53, a Decline of 35 per cent. All European Money Has Seriously Declined Owing to Enormous European Debt to U. S.

(Special to The Guardian.)  
LONDON, Jan. 28.—Foreign exchange was demoralized today under the lead of New York, which slumped to \$3.53 to the pound, representing a decline of about 35 per cent from the normal.

Paris checks at 47 francs to the pound and 45 francs contributed to the demoralization while business with Italy was almost impossible. The reasons for the decline of the New York rate were the same as those previously held responsible, the huge accumulation of the debt of Europe to America, with the additional factor that recently France and Belgium have been buying dollars through London.

Lombard Street does not consider this a decline, but a big figure when the time comes for the resumption of the payment of interest on the American loans and it would not be surprised to see the rate go below \$3.50, especially if the demand for dollars continues. One of the causes of the situation was the action of American Exchange which was the further rise in the price of bar gold to 117 shillings and 6 pence per ounce at which figure South Africa, South America and the Straits Settlements are keen buyers. Silver also jumped two pence to \$4 1/2 owing to the small American offerings and Chinese buying.

## ENORMOUS INCREASE LAST YEAR IN VOLUME OF CANADA'S TRADE

### Increase Last Year Was Eighty Million Dollars. Balance of Trade in Favor of Canada was Over \$353,000,000. Adverse Balance With United States.

(Special to The Guardian.)  
OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—The volume of Canada's trade in the year ended December 31st, 1919, exceeded that of the previous twelve months by approximately eighty million dollars. Imports in 1919 aggregated \$941,007,700 or \$31,000,000 more than in the previous year. Exports amounted to \$1,294,920,372, or \$51,000,000 more than in 1918.

The balance of trade in favor of the Dominion in 1919 thus amounted to \$353,812,672. In trade with the United States, however, Canada had an adverse balance of \$235,893,931. That adverse balance has been a potent factor in determining the rates of exchange between the two countries.

The total amount collected in Customs Duties by the Dominion Government during the year 1919 was \$168,920,659.

Imports from Great Britain last year totalled \$87,576,819 compared with \$72,879,109 in 1918. Exports to Great Britain reached \$238,935,514 or approximately \$49,000,000 less than in 1918.

Canada's imports from the United States in 1919 totalled \$740,580,225 as compared with \$471,326,304 in 1918. Exports to the United States aggregated \$454,686,294 as against \$433,182,149 in 1918.

The most striking increase in imports was in goods from Cuba which reached \$12,500,000 as compared with \$2,000,000 in 1918. The increase was due largely to imports of sugar. Imports from other countries decreased as follows: Australia, from six to one and a half millions; British East Indies three and a half millions; New Zealand one and a quarter millions; Japan one and a half millions.

## CITY ACCOUNTS SUBMITTED AT MEETING LAST NIGHT

### Mayor Wright Also Read His Annual Report Congratulating Councillors Upon the Way They Dealt with Various Problems, Especially Labor.

A special meeting of the City Council was held last night, Mayor Wright presiding. There were at present the City Clerk Mr. W. W. Clark and Councillors Miller, McKenna, Rattray, Connors and Smith.

Mayor Wright submitted his annual report as follows which was adopted.

en will not be without effect. This is an occasion to my mind gentlemen for mutual admiration when we call to mind the fact that for the past two years there has never been an instance when dignity and decorum were not in evidence on all occasions and at every Council meeting.

I regret exceedingly that the Council was not able to meet for its purposes to increase the salary of Hon. Dr. P. Pelletier, agent of the Province of Quebec in London from \$6000 to \$8000 and also to permit this official to benefit by the Government pension fund in accordance with the Civil Service Act.

## AMERICAN FIRMS INTERESTED IN BELGIUM'S ORDER FOR CARS

### Whether American Firms Will Secure Any of this Order Depends on Belgian Govt. Companies Agree to Extend Five-eighths Credit, the Dominion Govt. Taking Balance.

(Special to The Guardian.)  
OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—It is understood here that large American firms are interested in the fact that the Belgian Government is in the market for fifty locomotives, 18,000 freight cars and a number of passenger cars. Whether they will get any of this business depends on the Belgian Government which now has the Canadian offer before it to

accept the Belgian Government's five and a half per cent five year treasury bonds in payment for the locomotives and cars. The proposal of Sir Henry Drayton and the Companies themselves should extend five eighths of the credit and the Dominion Government the balance has been accepted by the Companies. A fifty fifty basis was originally suggested by the Companies.



HIS WORSHIP MA YOR G. D. WRIGHT

Councillors of the City of Charlottetown, gentlemen:—We have arrived at another milestone in the history of our City, marking a year which has been eventful in many respects, it being the first year of Peace after four years of war. Questions of importance affecting our City and Province have had to be dealt with, this being a year of Reconstruction resulting from the many upheavals caused by the war. I congratulate you gentlemen on the way in which you have dealt with the many problems, especially that of labour, giving employment to so many of our citizens, many of whom among our laboring men, it were not for the course pursued by you gentlemen during the year, owing to the changes in transportation by rail instead of steamers and sailing vessels as before, would have been compelled to look elsewhere for employment.

The new system of street improvement has I believe met with the approval of all our citizens, kept our money in circulation at home and given us streets which will be a credit to our city for many years to come. Your street committees are to be congratulated and are deserving the commendation of the public for the time, energy and forethought they have put into this important work. Their report has been tabled with that of the Finance Committee, Board of Health, Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply, Fire Department and Magistrates Court, and I am proud to be in a position to know they are one and all exceptionally creditable and show the high efficiency of every department.

Practically all of our brave boys have returned from the far flung battle line. With the assistance of the Ladies Auxiliary of the G. W. V. A. and many of our prominent citizens I have been enabled to give them a welcome home without any cost to our city.

The expense on the work for the streets had been large but a splendid plant had been purchased and everything was in excellent shape for the incoming Council to continue the good work begun.

## HUNGARY ASKS FOR MORE TIME

(Special to The Guardian.)  
PARIS, Jan. 28.—The Hungarian delegation has asked for an extension of time until February 12 for delivery of its observations on the Allied peace conditions. The request is based chiefly on the fact that the National Assembly will not meet until February 7 and the delegates who for the most part are members of the Assembly desire to participate in the proceedings, in order to explain the situation to their colleagues.

## A SILLY CANARD ABOUT LORD GREY

(Special to The Guardian.)  
NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—In reference to a story published in the Philadelphia North American regarding a conference in New York to further the Hoover interests for the President boom in which it was said that Viscount Grey was among those present, the British Government today made the following announcement through the British Consul General: "It is entirely untrue that Lord Grey, while in America ever took any action in support of any candidate for President or even expressed a preference for one candidate or another."

## QUEBEC AGENT'S SALARY RAISED

(Special to The Guardian.)  
QUEBEC, Jan. 28.—Sir Lomer Gouin presented his first bill of the present session today which has for its purpose to increase the salary of Hon. Dr. P. Pelletier, agent of the Province of Quebec in London from \$6000 to \$8000 and also to permit this official to benefit by the Government pension fund in accordance with the Civil Service Act.

## NEUTRALIZATION OF BALTIC SEA

LONDON, Jan. 28.—A wireless message says that it was unanimously decided at a Conference of Baltic States at Heligoland on January 23 to accept the plan for the neutralization of the Baltic Sea. Final details were postponed for a further conference, which will include representatives of other Baltic States not present at the original meeting. A proposal also was discussed regarding the terms each state will maintain.

## Tariff Duties on Canadian Paper

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Democratic members of the House Ways and Means committee today suggested the removal of tariff duties on Canadian print paper, but no action was taken. Some members said such action would not increase the supply for this country or lower prices, because existing contracts were at prices within the duty-free clause. At the request of Representative Young Republican, North Dakota, the committee asked the State Department to send a representative before it Wednesday to discuss the Canadian paper situation. Mr. Young commented that an embargo by the Canadian Government was curtailing supplies.

## Peace Treaty Ratification Now Back to Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The whole question of Peace Treaty ratification was flung back to the floor of the Senate with the virtual collapse today of the bipartisan conference.

## Berlin to Purchase Former Royal Holdings

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—The draft of a measure providing for settlement between Prussia and the Hohenzollerns, with regard to the former Royal Family's movable and immovable holdings, and which will shortly be considered by the Diet, provides for the purchase of the retention of several castles and palaces with the right to dispose of the property without restrictions. As former Emperor William's attorney was freely consulted at the time the holdings were inventoried, it is believed that the Hohenzollerns will accept settlement if the Diet approves. Some of the former Emperor's art objects are to be taken over by the State, but he will be given compensation for them.

## THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE TIDE, MOON ETC.

TORONTO, January 29.—Fresh north winds decidedly cold. The coldest Tuesday night was 1 degree above zero. A 9 a. m. yesterday it was 2 above. This was the highest during the day. At 10 last night it was 7 below.

## ABBIES AND STELLARTON PLAYED TIE GAME---6-6

### Great Crowd at Arena Witnessed Very Close and Exciting Contest. In Summerside Charlottetown Bankers Won 3-1.

Stellarton and Charlottetown fought through sixty minutes of the most exciting hockey at the Arena last evening to a 6-6 tie. In an extra ten minutes of thrilling play each side netted the rubber once and the game was called 6-6. From the beginning it was fast clean hockey void of penalties. The visitors are a fast experienced team each man playing his position perfectly. In offence and defence they are one of the strongest teams ever appearing on local ice and the fast and so far invincible Abbegwites found a team worthy of their mettle. As in all their games the local team was unable to strike its stride in the first period which ended with an adverse score of three goals against them. In the second and third periods the red and black awakened to their task forcing the visitors to forty minutes of the most exciting hockey seen here for some time. The Abbegweit for-

ward line were faster than the Stellarton forwards but the strong defence composed of Cook and Fraser proved a hard obstacle to get over. Kirby in the nets for the visitors played a phenominal game saving the situation time after time in miraculous fashion. He is claimed to be the best goal tender in the lower provinces. For Charlottetown Rodd, Campbell, McEachern and in fact the entire team played wonderful hockey. Gordon as in all previous games, excelled in back skating, catching Cook time after time when the latter seemed most dangerous.

## MANY CITIES HONOR HAIG

(Special to The Guardian.)  
LONDON, Jan. 28.—During the last few days Earl Haig has received the freedom of several large cities in the Northern part of England, notably Leeds, Sheffield and Leeds. He was everywhere received with enthusiasm.

The case of Burns vs Jardine was before the Supreme Court last yesterday. The jury was addressed by Mr. Saunders, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Justice Fitzgerald then retired about 4 o'clock to consider a verdict. The jury returned at 7.30 with verdict of \$200 for the plaintiff.

## SON OF BRITISH PREMIER IN N.Y.

(Special to The Guardian.)  
NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Major Richard Lloyd-George, son of the British Premier, arrived here today on the Manhattan from Southampton and Cherbourg. The Major who was accompanied by his wife said he was on a business trip.

The case of Frizzell, plaintiff vs Tremere, defendant will be before the court today. Mr. G. Gaudet, K. C., will appear as counsel for plaintiff and Mr. J. J. Johnston K. C. for defendant.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

\*\*See Pageant of Famous women in York Hall, February 5th. 6471-1-27-ME3pd

\*\*Besides enjoying yourself you are helping the City Hospital by attending the skating and entertainment in St. Dunstan's Parish Hall this evening. 6524.

## CHINESE COOLIES REACH HALIFAX

(Special to The Guardian.)  
HALIFAX, Jan. 28.—Three thousand five hundred and sixty coolies on their way back to the Chinese Rice Fields, after several years on less peaceful fields in France, arrived in Halifax this morning on the anchor line steamer Minnekahda which came up the harbor at 11.30. She docked at Pier 2.

## FIRST MEETING OF THE LEAGUE

(Special to The Guardian.)  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The second meeting of the Council of the League of Nations which in reality will be the first actual business meeting, will be held in London probably on February 10th, according to advices received here today.

## GREEK CROWN NOW FOR SALE

(Special to The Guardian.)  
LONDON, Jan. 28.—Peter Sklenki, an agent of Constantinople, former King of Greece, from the diamond jewellers offering for sale the Ex-Monarch's Crown. He said today "I have disposed of some small jewels, orders and badges belonging to the former King." The Crown, reputed to be worth \$150,000, is a masterpiece of peasant fashion and has five servants to look after its needs."

## Mathias Erzberger Fired Upon and Wounded

(Special to The Guardian.)  
BERLIN, Jan. 28.—Mathias Erzberger, Minister of Finance, was wounded by shot fired at him Monday. Herr Erzberger was shot as he was leaving the criminal courts building, after a hearing in the Helldorf suit. Only one shot struck the minister.

## SUPREME COURT

The case of Burns vs Jardine was before the Supreme Court last yesterday. The jury was addressed by Mr. Saunders, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Justice Fitzgerald then retired about 4 o'clock to consider a verdict. The jury returned at 7.30 with verdict of \$200 for the plaintiff.

Herr Erzberger was engaged in conversation with his solicitor, Dr. Friedlander, outside the Criminal Courts at 2.30 o'clock, when his assailant, a well-dressed young man, approached and fired a revolver at the Finance Minister. The shot grazed his shoulder. Dr. Friedlander sprang at the youth, who at the same moment fired a second shot, which hit Herr Erzberger in the stomach, but glanced off his watch chain and a button.

## BANKERS GAME AT SUMMER- SIDE

The teams lined up as follows:—  
ABBIES Goal Kirby  
Kiesman L. Defence Cook  
Moore R. Defence Fraser  
Purcell Centre Sullivan  
Rodd L. W. McDonald  
Gordon L. W. Higgins

Summerside between the Bankers teams of the two towns. The close of the game last night in favor of Stellarton.

## CONDENSED SPECIALS

- \*WANTED—HOUSE TO RENT. Apply "L" Guardian Office. 6474-1-27-ME3pd
- \*WANTED—WAITRESSES - For Charlottetown Country Club. Apply Reddin Bros. 6520-1-23ME21.
- \*WANTED GIRL FOR HOUSE. Good home. Apply 2 Water Street. 6407-1-23ME11.
- LOST WHITE AND TAN BEAGLE. dog. Anyone knowing his whereabouts, Phone R. 42. 6527-1-29-ME31
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