

The Government Needs Your Money; Pays Well For Use

GERMANS MAY RISE AND CAST OFF YOKE

As Did the Russians--Unrest in the Fatherland--Socialist Speakers Bitterly Denounce the Sins of Those in Power.

(Special to the Whig) Amsterdam, March 17.—Unrest in Germany against militarist repression of the people has been violently accelerated by the success of the Russian people in casting off the yoke of centuries. Even those elements of the German people who favor autocratic control of the Fatherland have been affected by the news from Petrograd, seeing therein the failure of German plans and the certainty that instead of Russia growing weaker as the war progresses she is likely to grow stronger with the new Government animated by a united determination to do its best against Germany.

TRYING TO STOP RAILWAY STRIKE

Four Mediators Are Appointed By the United States Cabinet.

TO ASK FOR POSTPONEMENT OF STRIKE ON GROUND OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY.

Secretaries Lane and Wilson, of the U. S. Cabinet, and Daniel Willard and Samuel Gompers are the Mediators.

Washington, March 17.—Following the Cabinet meeting here yesterday afternoon it was announced that the action decided upon was to have Secretaries Lane and Wilson, of the Interior and Labor Departments, respectively, and Daniel Willard and Samuel Gompers, members of the Advisory Committee of the Council of National Defence, confer at once with representatives of both sides. This action was expected by the President and his advisers to avert the strike.

Secretary of War Baker announced that the Council of National Defence with the approval of President Wilson had decided upon this step. Arrangements for conferences with the representatives of the two sides will be made at once.

The railroad officials and brotherhood representatives will be urged to reach a settlement on the ground of patriotism, because of the international situation facing the country.

Secretaries Lane and Wilson are members of the Council of National Defence, and Mr. Willard and Mr. Gompers are members of the Advisory Committee of the Council. In effect they would act as mediators between the two sides.

The mediators planned to leave for New York immediately to begin conferences.

The mediators, speaking for President Wilson, will ask the brotherhoods and the railroads to postpone the strike, if they cannot avert one, on the ground of national emergency.

Conference Begins.

(Special to the Whig) New York, March 17.—The Feder-

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LEGISLATURE ACCEPTS COLORS OF THE 204TH

Ceremony Unique in History of Ontario Legislature Attracts Soldiers and Others.

(Special to the Whig) Toronto, March 17.—Over four hundred people, including the wives and friends of members crowded the Legislature yesterday afternoon, when the colors of the 204th Battalion were deposited in the House by Lieut.-Col. W. H. Price, the commanding officer, accepted by Sir William Hearst, and placed on either side of the Speaker's chair. Hon. T. W. McGarry informed Charles M. Bowman that the machine guns acquired at an expenditure of \$500,000 by the province from the Savage Arms Company, Utica, N.Y., and sent overseas, had not been inspected on behalf of the Ontario Government, but an inspection had been made on behalf of the Dominion Government through which the money contributed by the province had gone. The inspecting officer was Capt. J. H. Holliday, who was assisted by other capable and experienced inspectors. All guns were inspected before leaving the factory at Utica.

BAPAUME MAS FALLEN.

(Special to the Whig) London, March 17.—Bapaume, for which the British have long been striving, has at last fallen. It was captured this morning by Gen. Haig's forces.

Front dispatches on Thursday, coupled with Field Marshal Haig's succinct official statement, prepared the public in a measure for the welcome news of capture of the German stronghold, dubbed by Hindenburg no so many months ago as the "Gibraltar of the eastern front."

Military experts have predicted that the occupation by the British of this stronghold will force an early retirement of the Germans from the Bapaume-Arras line.

A gain of two and a half miles over a front of twelve miles in extent north of Arras is announced today by the French War Office.

A BYE-ELECTION IN LENNOX COUNTY

Carleton Wood, of Roblin, is the Liberal Candidate—Election in May.

(Special to the Whig) Toronto, March 17.—There promises to be an interesting bye-election some time in May in Lennox county to fill the vacancy in the Legislature caused by the death of Thomas G. Carcallen. Although the late Mr. Carcallen held the seat continuously for fifteen years, each election has been very close, and in the last general election only a few votes saved him from defeat.

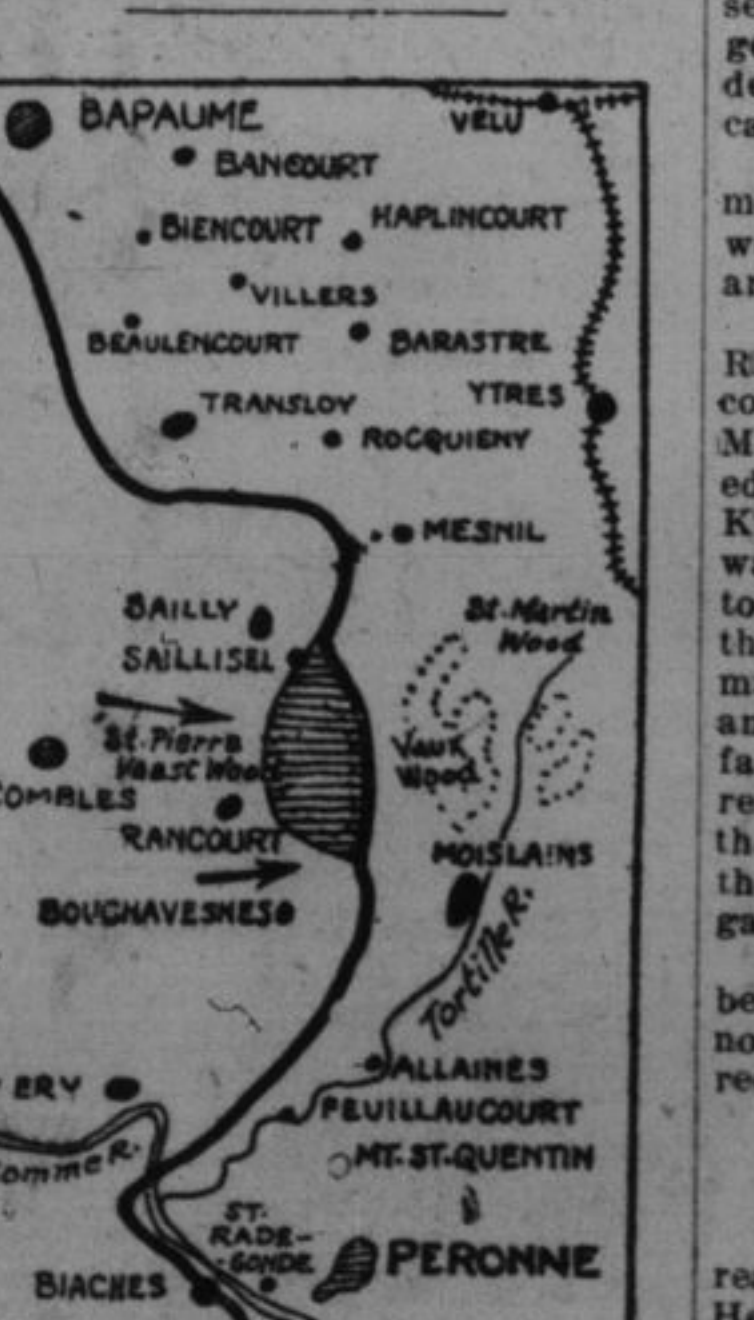
The Liberals have already made the choice of their candidate, who will be Carleton Wood, cheese-box manufacturer, of Roblin, well known throughout the riding. His choice was made at the convention last midsummer.

ZEPPELIN SHOT DOWN; THE CREW BURNED.

(Special to the Whig) Paris, March 17.—A Zeppelin, apparently returning from England, was brought down in Compiegne to-day. The airship fell from a great height. The crew were burned to death.

Officers From France.

Paris, March 17.—Five officers have been designated by the French military authorities to proceed to the United States to act as military instructors in certain American universities. The request for the officers came from the United States.



BRITISH STILL GAINING. Indicating just another bite made this week by the British in the German front north of Peronne, the territory gained is about three miles in extent.

HONOR PAID TO MAJOR MOWAT

Portrait of Gallant Officer Who Fell in France is Unveiled.

LARGE AUDIENCE GATHERS FOR THE CEREMONY IN THE CITY HALL.

Addresses by H. H. Dewar, M.P.P., Toronto; H. H. Horsey, Picton, and Dr. A. W. Richardson, President of Kingston Liberal Association.

It was a most fitting tribute that the citizens of Kingston paid to a noble son of the Limestone City, when on Friday night, they turned out in large numbers, to attend the meeting held in the City Hall, under the auspices of the Kingston Liberal Club, for the unveiling of a portrait of the late John McDonald Mowat, ex-president of the Kingston Liberal Association, and ex-Mayor of the city, which will adorn the walls of the Liberal Club rooms on King street.

The painting is an excellent one, the work of a leading Toronto artist. It shows the late Major "Jack" Mowat in military uniform, and is most striking. The portrait was draped with a Union Jack, and was unveiled by the president of the Liberal Association, Dr. A. W. Richardson, who presided at the gathering.

Hartley H. Dewar, K.C., M.P.P., of Toronto, was the chief speaker of the evening, and it was a worthy tribute that he paid to the deceased, who was a warm friend of his for many years. He closed his tribute with these striking words:

"Jack" Mowat lives to-day, as one of the kings of the new democracy, as one who has done honor to you and to your country."

Mr. Dewar delivered a masterly address, dealing with many questions of public interest, the feature of which was a severe arraignment of the Conservative government, both at Ottawa and Toronto, for their mismanagement of the affairs of the country, especially in war time. He declared that he had no apology to offer for his criticism. He scored the Ontario Legislature for the way in which it had handled the nickel industry, a subject which Mr. Dewar has given special attention; rapped the same government for not practicing their own doctrine of " thrift and economy" during the war; called to task the government at Ottawa for their neglect in not getting an inventory of Canada's man power for the war sooner; declared that while Canada had responded nobly in the time of the Empire's need, that the country had not done better along certain lines, was due to lack of leadership. The speaker dealt with many other issues of the day.

H. H. Horsey, of Picton, a former Kingstonian, was warmly greeted, along with Mr. Dewar. Mr. Horsey was an old friend of "Jack" Mowat, and he added his tribute to his worth, in a splendid address, at the same time dealing in an able manner with other subjects of vital interest to the public.

The hall was filled, the "fair sex" being well represented in the audience. Quite a number of the ladies occupied seats on the platform.

Dr. Richardson's Remarks.

Dr. Richardson, in opening the meeting, stated that it was very hard to realize that "Jack" Mowat had passed away. He spoke of the strong character of the deceased. In his passing away, he left loving memories, kind thoughts and bright hopes. His portrait would be placed in the Liberal Club rooms, and it would serve as an inspiration to the coming generations. Those who knew the deceased, required no painting to recall his life.

"He was one who lived as a true man, and died as every true man would like to die," added Dr. Richardson.

At the close of his remarks, Dr. Richardson drew to one side the flag, covering the painting of Major Mowat, and by the large assemblage, showing Kingston's ex-Mayor in khaki, there was loud applause, given as a tribute to one who had offered his life, so that others might live. It was a remarkable demonstration of pleasure and grief. Pleasure because of the fact that a man, so well-known, had responded to the call of his country; the grief because he had fallen on the battlefield, leading his men in a gallant charge.

Kingston's historic City Hall has been the scene of many events, but no more touching event was ever recorded than this.

Mr. Horsey's Tribute

Mr. Horsey said it was hard to realize that "Jack" Mowat was gone. He was over a true Canadian. He became a distinguished Kingstonian, and by his death, proved that he was a loyal, self-sacrificing soldier of the King of Kings.

"May we, in the presence of his portrait, remember our responsibilities," added the speaker, "and resolve that come what may, we shall support the cause for which he paid the supreme sacrifice."

CZAR NICHOLAS HAS ABDICATED

As Also Has Grand Duke Michael--The Romanoff Dynasty Ended.

AUTHORITY OF THE DUMA IS RECOGNIZED BY ALL THE ARMY OFFICERS.

The Prospects Are That Russia Will Become Republic--The Government Has Declared for Universal Suffrage.

(Special to the Whig) Petrograd, March 17.—Regarding his abdication, Nicholas, the late Czar of Russia, issued this manifesto to-day: "To all faithful Russians: In the course of the great struggle against the foreign enemy, who has been trying for three years to enslave us, it has pleased God to send Russia a further painful trial; internal troubles threatened fatally further progress of this obstinate war and to affect Russia's destinies.

"Our heroic army, the happiness of the people, the whole future of the beloved fatherland demand that the war should be conducted at all costs to a victorious end. The cruel enemy is making his last efforts; the moment is near when our valiant army, in connection with our glorious Allies, will finally overthrow the enemy.

"Therefore, in agreement with the Imperial Duma, we recognize it as our country's good that we should abdicate the crown and lay down supreme power."

All army officers at present in Petrograd met to-day and unanimously resolved to recognize the authority of the Duma. Speeches were made stating the realization of the need of re-establishment of order as speedily as possible "in the war behind the trenches" might proceed.

Romanoff Dynasty Ended.

(Special to the Whig) Petrograd, March 17.—Grand Duke Michael has also now abdicated and the Romanoff dynasty is now at an end. Prospects are that Russia will become a republic. The Government has declared for universal suffrage and abolition of all social, national and religious restrictions.

Germany Profoundly Impressed.

(Special to the Whig) Berlin, March 17.—Germany is profoundly impressed by the Russian revolution. Newspapers to-day pointed to the conference of officials in Vienna as of extreme importance in the view of the developments at Petrograd (Petrograd). In this conference will be the Emperor Carl of Austria, the Imperial German Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg, Prince Conrad Von Hohenlohe, formerly minister of finance, Count Czernin, Premier Clammarintz and Count Tiza.

Governor of Finland Arrested.

(Special to the Whig) Petrograd, March 17.—By order of the Provisional Government, Admiral Mepine to-day arrested Governor Zeen of Finland.

Czar in Own Right.

(Special to the Whig) London, March 17.—Petrograd dispatches late to-day report Grand Duke Michael as accepting the throne from his brother, Nicholas. Last night's news, however, conveyed the impression that Michael had himself abdicated. This morning's report unofficially stated that the Czarévitch had died of scarlet fever, which would make Grand Duke Michael Czar in his own right, if the people let him. The first reports said he would be Grand Regent. This would probably mean a limited monarchy, similar to that of Great Britain.

Czarevitch Reported Dead.

(Special to the Whig) London, March 17.—An unverified report was circulated here to-day that the Czarévitch, the 13-year-old Grand Duke Alexis, was dead from scarlet fever.

Win the War First.

It had been held by many, when the question of politics came up, for discussion, that our first duty was to win the war. "I believe in that doctrine too," said the speaker, "amidst great applause" I believe that we should win this war by man power, money, munitions, and all other sources, but I do not accept the dictation that we should not discuss the great political issues so far as they affect our interests. It is up to those who remain at home, to see that the business of the country, while the war is on, is managed with thrift and economy. (Loud Cheering)

Hindenburg Preparing A Sudden and Relentless Offensive Against Russia.

New York, March 17.—Carl W. Ackerman, writing in the New York Tribune says: A sudden relentless offensive against Russia is likely to be Germany's first move following the revolution in Russia. Field-Marshal von Hindenburg has been counting upon internal eruptions in Petrograd and Moscow to aid him in his military operations against the Czar. His plans have been prepared for many months, but have been postponed from time to time to await developments within Russia.

BRITAIN CATCHES SUBS; NEEDN'T BUILD MANY

Food Cheaper Than in U. S., Women Doing Well, Says E. J. Parry.

WINDSOR, MARCH 17.—That Great Britain does not find it necessary to build submarines because so many German undersize boats have been captured by the navy was the statement made to members of the Windsor Board of Trade by E. J. Parry, British representative of the De Villiers Company of Toledo, recently returned from England. Great Britain's navy has sunk and captured enough submarines to supply the navies of the world, Mr. Parry declared. "In fact it's a standing joke in England that an agency will be opened to further the sale of second-hand subs. The submarine warfare, like the Zepplins, is no longer feared by Britishers."

Mr. Parry said food was much cheaper in Great Britain than in the United States. Beef sent from this country could be purchased cheaper in any London store than in New York, he stated.

Women had succeeded so well in many positions formerly held by men that it will be difficult to supplant them after the war, Mr. Parry said. As conductors of street cars they had done especially good work.

REPENT BEFORE TOO LATE.

William McDonald Gave the Government Good Advice.

(Special to the Whig) Toronto, March 17.—William McDonald, M.P.P. for North Bruce, revealed an iron hand beneath a silken glove during the debate on Northern Ontario. Z. Mageau, member for Sturgeon Falls, had followed up his charges of misappropriation of public money by the Government in the north and had shown case after case which he said demanded investigation. He gave instance after instance, for example, where three or four overseers were engaged to superintend work involving the expenditure of \$150 or \$200 and where waste of public money had occurred in the purchase of tools and wire. Government members had laughed and joked about Mageau's statements while he was making them. McDonald later in the debate made some general remarks which the Government side applauded vigorously. Suddenly, without a moment's warning, he blazed out on them in connection with these graft charges.

"When you go before the great jury and the final tribunal of the people at the next election," he said, "you will find that they are not laughing at graft charges nor will they overlook them as perhaps they might have had a tendency to do before the war. Your Mr. Hanna could take \$500 from a government contractor for Conservative campaign funds, but that sort of thing can't be done to-day. You have New Brunswick in front of you, as well as Manitoba and British Columbia, and for your own good I say to you now, repent before it is too late."

CALL OUT MILITIA.

Will Be Expected to Drill Now—Camp in Summer.

(Special to the Whig) Ottawa, March 17.—The Government's militia scheme is officially announced. A volunteer force of fifty thousand men is to be raised in connection with the present militia regiments to drill three or four nights per week and Saturday afternoons and to go to camp in summer.

DAILY MEMORANDUM

"Mutt and Jeff's Wedding."—Grand \$15.

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BORN

AYKROYD—At the Hotel Dieu Hospital, Mar. 17th, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice J. Aykroyd, a son, STEWART.—On March 17th, at Hotel Dieu Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stewart, a daughter.

DIED

BURNS—At Buffalo, N.Y., on March 15th, 1917, Percy Burns, formerly of Kingston. Funeral on Monday, March 19th, at 2:30 p.m. from the residence of W. J. Burns, 204 University Avenue, to Catawqui Cemetery.

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