

Give a Stirring Welcome to the 21st Battalion

A GREAT DAY FOR KINGSTON

The 21st Battalion Will Arrive Here For Demobilization.

BIG BANQUET IN EVENING

AT WHICH THERE WILL BE TOASTS OFFERED.

Lieut.-General Sam Hughes Will Be Present—The Battalion Will Assemble Here Before Noon Saturday.

Saturday will be one of the big days in the history of Kingston. Besides being Victoria day, it is to witness the return to the city of the famous 21st Battalion, Kingston's own fighting battalion, after just over four years on active service overseas, all of which, with the exception of about six months, was spent on the field of battle. The battalion landed at Halifax on Thursday morning, and the work of disembarkation was immediately commenced. The battalion left Halifax about noon on Thursday on two trains, half an hour separating them. On the first train were two officers and 100 other ranks, and on the second train twenty-three officers and 490 other ranks. According to the reports received from points all along the line, both trains are making good time, and they should arrive in Kingston before noon on Saturday. The troops will detrain at the Tete de Pont Barracks, where it is expected that they will be met by a large crowd of friends and relatives.

On the arrival of the troops they will be marched into the Tete de Pont Barracks. The men coming on the first train will wait for the arrival of their comrades on the second train. Afterwards the battalion will form up and will march to the City Hall, where the civic reception will be held.

AT THE MARKET SQUARE.

The route of march from the Tete de Pont Barracks to the market square will be the same as that followed by the 2nd Battalion, namely, by way of Ontario and Brock streets. The heads of the battalion will play on the march. At the Tete de Pont Barracks the R.C.H.A. band and the G.W.V.A. band will render appropriate homecoming selections, while the men are detraining. At the market square the Salvation Army band will be mounted on a platform and will play during the reception. The school children of the city will also form at the side of the market square facing Brock street and will take part in the reception. A feature will be the singing of a choir of thirty ladies of the I.O.G.E. This feature has been arranged by Mrs. J. T. Sutherland, regent of the Richardson chapter. The ladies will be mounted on the large new truck of the Kingston Trust Company, kindly loaned for the occasion by George Smith.

The disabled soldiers from the various hospitals in the city will be brought to the market square in automobiles as the guests of the civic reception committee, and will be placed in a square opposite the decorated platform. The disabled men of the 21st Battalion will be in the parade in automobiles, and will bring up the rear. The programme on the market square will be brief. It will be commenced by prayer offered by the battalion chaplain, should he be available. Brig.-Gen. V. A. S. Williams will then address the men as G.O.C. of the district, and he will be followed by the mayor, who will officially welcome the men on behalf of the city of Kingston. The proceedings will close with three hearty cheers and a cheer from the crowd for the battalion.

On leaving the market square the men will make a short march through the central portion of the city before going to the Barrfield huts for dispersal. The route (Continued on Page 6.)

AN ULTIMATUM TO STRIKERS

Government First Demands That the Winnipeg Mails Be Restored.

THE STRIKERS ARE AFRAID

THAT THIS CONCESSION WOULD WEAKEN THEIR CAUSE.

They Are Determined on Collective Bargaining—Ridicule the Idea of a Soviet Government.

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Winnipeg, Man., May 23.—Noon.—The federal ministers are said to have presented an ultimatum to the strikers that they will not negotiate at all or discuss matters unless and until the mails are restored. It looks as if a crisis will be reached to-day. Either the mails will come or the strike will enter into a prolonged phase, with the danger of the trainmen coming out and a general labor tie-up throughout the country.

The strikers are said to feel that if they give in with the postal employees the provincial government could then say we will not negotiate until the telephone operators come back, and the city could say we will not talk until the water works employees return. Labor thus fears the strike would be gradually broken. Their men are determined on collective bargaining, and also on the legitimate right of sympathetic strikes. Otherwise they say the solidarity of labor is destroyed. To-day's Labor News has a full page heading "Strike or Starve" emphasizing the necessity for a living wage and collective bargaining to secure it. The paper emphasizes profiteering, refers to an indifferent government and caustic plurocracy. The common enemy was the man who was amassing wealth at the expense of the workers. The real Bolsheviks were those who profited while others fought and suffered.

F. J. Dixon, labor member for Centre Winnipeg, said to me that the principle of a sympathetic strike was unnecessary, as necessary for the workers who would not see their colleagues in individual industries or plants forced into submission separately. He ridiculed the idea that an attempt had been made to establish a soviet government.

WINNIPEG UNIONS NOT UNANIMOUS

Two Unions Declare They Were Forced Unconstitutionally to Join Strike.

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Winnipeg, May 23.—A bulletin posted to-day states that a resolution was carried unanimously yesterday at the triennial convention of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen at Cleveland, at which eighty-five Canadian delegates were present, that the Order would not support a strike at Winnipeg. Winnipeg citizens have transmitted a formal protest to the federal government regarding the embargo on mail to and from Winnipeg as the result of the general strike in progress here. The protest demands that the Government resume the mail service with Winnipeg immediately. Shortly before a public meeting to discuss the general strike situation was called this morning, it became authoritative known that the Winnipeg union forces were not unanimously behind the executive heads of the central strike committee. Protests have been sent here by heads of at least two local unions to their international headquarters, charging that certain unions were forced to join the sympathetic walk-out despite the fact that such action was not constitutional.

PRIZE MONEY GIVEN AVIATOR'S WIFE.

London, May 23.—Lord Northcliffe yesterday 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 the old prize-money are still open to world competitors.

ABOUT PRISONERS OF WAR.

(Canadian Press Despatch) 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. Military experts attended the session.

STANDING OF CLUBS.

American League. Detroit, 6; Boston, 3; Chicago, 1; New York, 6; Cleveland, 3; Philadelphia, 1; St. Louis, 5; Washington, 4. International. Binghamton, 5; Jersey City, 4.

ARRIVAL OF GERMAN DELEGATES IN PARIS.



CHINA TO SIGN PEACE TREATY

But May Make Reservations With Regard to the Signatures.

SOME CONCESSIONS MADE

TO THE GERMANS BY THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

The Saar Valley Award and the Terms Regarding Reparations Have Been Slightly Modified.

(Canadian Press Despatch)

New York, May 23.—The Associated Press this morning issued the following: Concessions on some points in the peace treaty have been made to the Germans by the Paris peace conference. Slight modifications have been made in the terms of the Saar Valley award, and terms regarding the reparations, as they stood in the original text of the peace treaty, have also been modified in some degree.

The fact that the council of four had decided to make these modifications was reported in a despatch from Paris late last night. The message, however, did not indicate just what were the alterations decided upon. These are expected to be developed in part with the handing to the Germans today of the council's reply to the German note on reparations. There were no indications, however, when the exact nature of the concessions would be revealed.

China's delegation at the peace conference has decided that it will sign the peace treaty in spite of its declaration that it would not do so, because of the decision of the council of three relative to the turning over to Japan of Germany's interest in Shantung and Kiaochow. It is said, however, that reservations will be made in attaching the signatures of the Chinese.

SHIPBUILDERS GAIN 44 HOUR WEEK.

Collingwood, May 23.—After a conference lasting two days between the employees of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company, of Collingwood and Kingston, and representatives of the men, an agreement has been reached which will be submitted to the men for ratification. The agreement shows great concessions on the part of the employers in a desire to be fair with the men. The chief points agreed on are as follows: Forty-four hours work per week, eight hours a day and four hours on Saturday. Pay every two weeks, as at present. Wages—Laborers, 45 cents per hour; mechanics, now getting 55 cents, to receive 70 cents; those receiving over 55 cents now to receive 75 cents; all others to get the equivalent to a 17 per cent. increase.

REFORM GOVERNMENT IN INDIA.

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, May 23.—Edwin Samuel Montagu, secretary for India, announced in the House of Commons that he hoped to introduce early in June a Government bill for the reform of the government of India. The keystone of this reform would be the transference of power from the bureaucracy to the people.

THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE FEASIBILITY OF CONSTRUCTING A CANAL NAVIGABLE FOR SEAGOING VESSELS BETWEEN GEORGIAN BAY, LAKE HURON AND THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER WAS INTRODUCED IN THE U.S. SENATE BY SENATOR KING OF UTAH.



The first pictures showing the arrival of the German delegates to the Peace Conference have reached Canada. The upper right-hand picture shows the leader, Count Brockdorff-Rantzau, stepping from the train to the platform in a way which shows, contrary to his later boorish conduct, that he was "master of his legs" when he arrived, at least. The upper left and the picture in the circle, show delegates being led to their cars by the Prefect, who sent them on to Versailles in motors.

ALLIES INTEND TO RECOGNIZE KOLCHAK

Support Promised as Soon as Stable Government Established For Russia.

Washington, May 23.—Admiral Kolchak, dictator of the Omsk Government, has been notified by the Paris Peace Conference that as soon as he has established a stable government with guarantees of freedom of speech and the press and a constituent assembly, his government will be accorded recognition as the government of all non-Bolshevik Russia; it was learned to-day from an authoritative source.

Kolchak has announced that he was working toward putting his government in a position to warrant such recognition, and has so notified the powers.

The delegates in Paris, it also was learned, are in constant communication with the Omsk Government, and are working out details of the formal recognition, which will be accorded simultaneously, according to present plans, by all the Allied Governments and the United States.

THE ORPHANS OF SERBIA.

New York, May 23.—There are one hundred and fifty thousand children in Serbia who have lost both father and mother in the war. The greatest need of the country to-day is help from America, in the form of food, clothing and expert workers in care for these war orphans.

Weather conditions to-day at Ponta Del Gada still were unfavorable for resumption of trans-Atlantic flight by the seaplane N.C. 4.

Premier Orlando has returned from Italy to take his place with the peace commission.



PREMIER ORLANDO OF MANTOVA. Was endeavoring to effect a settlement of the strike in Winnipeg.

NO MORE TITLES FOR CANADIANS

Commons to Ask the King to Refrain From Confering Them.

W. F. NICKLE SUCCEEDS

IN HIS EFFORT TO STOP TITLE GIVING.

The Canadian Parliament Does Not Want Any More Hereditary Titles in This Country.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Ottawa, May 23.—The House of Commons voted to send the King an address asking him to refrain from conferring titles on Canadians.

W. F. Nickle, Kingston, brought up the report of the committee on titles in the House. He pointed out the committee had re-enunciated the principle that in so far as the Canadian Parliament was concerned it did not want any more hereditary title in Canada. Clause A of the report this year, he said, goes further than last year's resolution.

"It does away with titular distinctions and the lesser classes of various orders," said he. There were also two other findings regarding foreign decorations. "It was thought that if those from Great Britain were not allowed it was only proper that those granted by foreign Governments should not be recognized," said he.

There were some members of the committee who wanted the titles "Honorable" and "Right Honorable" done away with. The committee, however, didn't concur in this.

"The mass of people approve of the findings of the committee, I think," said he, "although there are some who think if the system of granting titles was on a different basis there would not be so much objection."

Only Camouflage. "There is no one but knows that titular distinctions do not emanate from His Majesty, but from the ministers," said he. "The Prime Minister recognized my motion last year and he recognized that it was ministerial responsibility and the camouflage that these came from. His Majesty has been stripped off," said Dr. Edwards, Frontenac. "Did the committee consider the title of 'lordship' given to judges?"

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Postponed V.O.N., Daffodil Day. Be generous to-morrow.