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CONDITIONS IN PETROGRAD ARE BECOMING VERY SERIOUS

Russia is Now Threatened With a Counter Revolution

**Voice of the Radicals is Growing Louder Every Day, But
Provisional Government Still Has the Upper Hand---
Summary of the War News.**

While the greatest battle in history continues to rage furiously in Northern France, the riddle of Russia has presented a new phase with a menacing counter-revolution of staggering possibilities. For the moment the provisional government has the upper hand, but the voice of the radicals grows louder and more threatening every day, demanding concessions which would make the existence of an organized government impossible.

The wild utterances of intrigue and dissatisfaction which are in evidence in Petrograd are the more confusing as the opponents of the revolutionary government offer no coherent programme and seem to have no common aim. The capital is boisterously vocal, but back of it the vastness of Russia lies silent, with not a hint to tell of what the masses of the people are thinking or doing in regard to this vital unrest.

An indication of the German view of the situation is given by a report that the best German troops have been withdrawn from the eastern front. As far as news despatches indicate, the radical insurgents in Petrograd are basing their attack on the May day note sent to the Allies by Foreign Secretary Milukoff, reaffirming Russia's determination to fulfil her obligations to the Entente and vigorously prosecute the war against Germany.

On the battle front in France there is no sign as yet of a decisive issue to the tremendous battle which is raging day and night along a hundred mile front. The War Office in London this morning reports the British have made further progress north of Havricourt wood near Fresnoy. The French have battered their way a little closer to Laon, and have stormed one of the great natural fortresses guarding the southern end of the Hindenburg line. By the capture of Craonne they have forced ajar the back door to Laon, but there are mighty obstacles still in their path.

SUBMARINE MENACE ENGAGES THE ATTENTION

OF THE WAR COMMISSIONERS AT WASHINGTON

NEW YORK, May 5.—A special despatch to the World from Washington says:

British and American naval experts are understood to have discussed at their conferences yesterday three specific measures designed to put an end to German submarine warfare. One is the bottling up of the narrow strait between Sweden and Denmark, the second the mining of the entire North Sea, which would shut off entirely the trade of Holland, Denmark and Sweden, and the third, storming the German naval base at Kiel and destroying Heligoland, Germany's Gibraltar.

The third proposal has been discussed only as a last resort, naval experts being agreed that it would be a most hazardous undertaking. If the British fleet were brought out of its protected harbors, it doubtless would be assisted by American and French naval craft. Many naval officers believe Kiel could be taken, but at a frightful cost.

GERMAN PACIFISTS SUBMIT PROPOSALS TO

THE REICHSTAG REGARDING PEACE WITH RUSSIA

AMSTERDAM, via London, May 5.—Four German pacifist organizers have petitioned the reichstag to accept the following principals in view of the new situation created by the Russian revolution: First, Germany to make peace with Russia without the traditional acquisition blunder, a guarantee that the national rights of Germans in Russia be respected. Second, Germany's peace terms in respect to her other enemies to be disclosed. Third, the promotion of general peace by a union of the nations and the reduction of armament. Fourth, internal reorganization based on the will and needs of the German people.

RHEIMS CATHEDRAL IN RUINS.

PARIS, May 5.—Deputy Laner, of Rheims, said yesterday that the famous cathedral of Rheims, which had been the target for repeated German bombardments, is now no more than a house of cards, and that the fall of a pillar perhaps would lead to the crumbling of all that remains of the edifice. The whole quarter surrounding the cathedral, the deputy said, is in ruins.

THREATENED SHORTAGE OF TIN CANS

Washington, May 5.—Sir George E. Foster, acting premier of Canada, who is here for conferences with the British commission, conferred with Secretary Redfield of the Department of Commerce yesterday about getting cans for putting up food for Canadian soldiers. Restrictions voluntarily accepted by can makers and users, Secretary Redfield has announced, will meet the threatened shortage of tin cans for food preservation.

Under an agreement signed by a committee of tin plate manufacturers, can makers, canners and wholesale grocers, which reached the Department of Commerce today, all interests concerned have consented to substitute paper and fibre containers whenever possible.

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTY LIST

Ottawa, May 5.—Casualties among Maritime men are reported today as follows:

Infantry.
Wounded—W. C. McKay, Port Howe, N.S.
Mounted Rifles.
Wounded—W. Miller, Springhill, N.S.; L. E. Pettley, Smith's, Kent Co., N.B.; S. W. Newman, Wilson's eBach, N.B.
III—F. H. Barton, Gibson, N.B.
Engineers.
Killed in action—Lieut. J. P. Edwards, Londonderry, N.S.
Artillery.
Wounded—Gunner J. F. Butler, Sydney, N.S.; Gunner A. E. Wilcox, Glace Bay, N.S.; Gunner H. G. Harris, Halifax, N.S.
Killed in action—Lieut. H. D. McDonald, St. John; Gunner C. Yorke, Parrsboro.

SHOTS ARE EXCHANGED BETWEEN THE RIVAL PARTIES IN RUSSIA

**The News From Petrograd is of a Dis-
quieting Nature---Street Demon-
strations, Both for and Against the
Provisional Government.**

PETROGRAD, May 4 (via London, May 5).—A clash between rival parties has occurred in the Nevsky Prospect, in which a number of shots were fired. An officer and girl are reported killed and several persons wounded. The city is in a turmoil of excitement.

A series of demonstrations developed during the afternoon both for and against the government. Motor trucks crowded with soldiers and civilians traversed the streets of the city in support of provisional authorities. Detachments from both camps are appearing in increasing numbers, and the agitation is increasing in intensity.

The provisional government, through Premier Lvoff, has declined to modify the note sent to the Allies. The government declares that the ministers are prepared to resign their posts if necessary.

A Quarter of the City's Population Turned Out Last Night and Cheered for Government

Friends of the government out-demonstrated the demonstrators this evening. As though of one accord, the people, stirred into a seeming realization of the catastrophe overshadowing the country through the menaced fall of the government, turned out, men, women and children, in support of the temporary authorities. From end to end the Nevsky Morsky was packed with marching crowds of all grades of society. Well-groomed and gray-headed men and women expensively clad, students by thousands, soldiers, business men and children, seemingly a quarter of the population of the city, cheered and shouted for the government.

Manifestants Completely Overshadowed and Outnumbered by Friends of the Government

So completely overshadowed and outnumbered were the earlier manifestants who demanded the downfall of the authorities, that they appeared utterly insignificant. The crowd poured into the square in front of the Marinsky palace, the scene of last night's meeting of the ministers and deputies, and packed the immense area.

Russia's enemies could find little comfort in the scene. Banners inscribed "In support of the temporary government," "Away with anarchy," "No separate peace" and similar inscriptions gave the parade an appearance of a gala procession, in striking contrast to the anti-government mob which was composed of the shabbiest and most disreputable element of the population.

THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY TO HAVE HIS POWER RESTRICTED

AMSTERDAM, via London, May 5.—A restriction of the power of the Emperor of Germany has been decided upon by the constitution committee of the Reichstag, according to a despatch from Berlin. The committee has decided to alter article XVII of the Imperial constitution, as follows:

"Ordinances and decrees of the Kaiser will be issued in the name of the Empire and will require for validity the counter-signature of the Imperial Chancellor or his representative, who thereby assumes responsibility to the Reichstag."

The decision of the committee was in accordance with a joint proposal by the centrists, national loyalists and the progressives. Four conservative members voted against change.

MORE PEACE PROPOSALS.

COPENHAGEN, May 5, via London.—A plainer declaration of German peace conditions will be made by Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg within a fortnight.

Bishop of Ontario Has Passed Away

Kingston, Ont., May 5.—Right Rev. W. L. Mills, Bishop of Ontario, died here last night. He is survived by his wife and one son, who went overseas with an early contingent.

School Inspectors to Start Campaign Monday

Dr. W. S. Carter, Chief Superintendent of Education, held a conference this morning with the School Inspectors and chairmen and members of school boards, who were in attendance at the Increased Production Conference yesterday. The inspectors present were Messrs. McLean, Worrell, O'Brien and Hanson. The conference was about two hours in duration.

It was decided that the inspectors on Monday next shall go out through their respective districts and form local committees as well as obtain the names of pupils of the public schools who are willing to take part in the campaign for Increased Production by working on farms.

It is hoped to secure a large number of volunteers for seed-time, vacation and harvest. What system will be followed during the harvest time has not yet been decided.

Mr. F. Peacock is to organize the teachers of domestic science in order to send them out during the summer to instruct in canning and domestic economy.

The School Inspectors who were not present this morning are to confer with the Chief Superintendent on Tuesday.

Jackson's Sentence Is Commuted

Windsor, Ont., May 5.—John Hogue, alias James Stewart, sentenced to be hanged here Thursday, May 10th, for the murder of immigration officer Jackson, was notified tonight that commutation of his sentence to life imprisonment had been granted by the Minister of Justice, Hon. C. J. Doherty.

O'Hagan Knocked Out by Kid Lewis

New York, May 5.—Ted "Kid" Lewis the English welterweight knocked out Jimmy O'Hagan of Albany here last night in the second round of a ten-round bout.

TO ENLIST TO STRENGTH.

71st York Regt. Likely to Go Under Canvas in the Near Future.

Lieut. Col. W. H. Gray, officer commanding the 71st York Regt., has issued orders for companies to be recruited to peace strength. It is understood that the regiment will go under canvas at Sussex within a few weeks.

The enlisting of the regiment to peace strength is in accordance with the policy of calling out the active militia for service in Canada, to relieve the overseas troops now in the country. Company commanders in the 71st have been instructed to prepare their service rolls and enlist men.

Opportunity to go overseas will be given after the militia have been in camp some time.

Miss Amelia Moore is in Minneapolis visiting Mrs. Walter McLaughlin. Mrs. Charles Gregory is spending a few weeks here.