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RUSSIA TO BREAK OFF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE ROUMANIANS

**Would Expel Roumanian Representatives
From Russia and seize gold Reserves in
Moscow--Trotzky Says Russia wants
Only a Democratic Peace.**

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 29.—The Bolshevik government, says an announcement from the semi-official news agency, decided to break diplomatic relations with Roumania when the temporary detention of the Roumanian minister here had failed to stop the Roumanian offensive.

The Council of People's Commissaries has issued the following order: "First, that diplomatic relations be broken and that Roumanian representatives be expelled from Russia. Further, that the Roumanian gold reserves in Moscow be seized the treasury being responsible to hold it and to return it to the Roumanian people. Third, that the former commander-in-chief of the Roumanian forces, Lieut. General Sticherbacheff, be declared a rebel against the revolution and an enemy of the people, and is hereby outlawed."

**TROTZKY SAYS HUNS MASKED THEIR REAL
INTENTIONS TOWARDS PEACE WITH NICE WORDS**

Petrograd, Jan. 29.—Foreign Minister Trotzky, addressing the Congress of Councils of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates on the question of peace, declared that the Germans had masked their real intentions with fine words, but were in reality demanding all they could get. "They thought Russia welcomed peace at any price," Trotzky said. "They were mistaken. This is not the position of the workmen's and soldiers' government. We still insist on a democratic peace."

"When the nation has become exhausted and when all the efforts that have been made have proved unsuccessful, then it might be possible for the nation to conclude an undemocratic peace, but the present government has not yet reached that position. If, under unforeseen circumstances, it would be desirable to sign an undemocratic peace, it would never tell the people that it was a democratic peace."

**AMERICAN JUST BACK FROM RUSSIA SAYS THE
BOLSHEVIKI MOVEMENT NOT FOSTERED BY HUNS**

A Pacific Port, Jan. 29.—The Bolshevik movement is not being fostered by agencies favorable to Germany, according to Prof. Edward A. Ross, professor of sociology at the University of Wisconsin, who arrived here today from Russia, where he said he had spent five months. He talked with all classes of men and women and interviewed Trotzky. He made a special investigation of the Bolshevik movement on behalf of the American Institute of Social Service of New York, and will proceed east at once to make his report.

The Bolshevik movement is sincere Prof. Ross said, springing from the heart of Russia itself, and having as its object the liberation of the people, the establishment of world peace and the institution of pure industrial socialism. Tatiana and Olga Romanoff, daughters of the former Czar, were reported to be espousing the Bolshevik cause and attending radical meetings in Tobolsk, Professor Ross said.

**RUSSIAN MINISTERS WILL RESUME PEACE
NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CENTRAL POWERS**

Petrograd, Jan. 29.—Leon Trotzky and M. Kamenef left Petrograd today for Brest-Litovsk to resume the peace negotiations with the Central powers.

The Congress of the Councils of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates, while deploring the imperialistic tenor of the German peace terms, approved all the actions of the Russian delegation and charged the government to continue the negotiations. The Congress adopted a resolution to this effect after a warm debate. During the debate Foreign Minister Trotzky declared he could not give a guarantee that he would not sign a separate peace, saying: "To call a separate peace a disgrace is blasphemy in the sight of blood-covered Europe."

THE KAISER PROUDLY THANKFUL FOR SUCCESS OF HIS WARRIORS

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Jan. 29.—Emperor William, in a telegram responding to birthday congratulations from President Kämpf of the Reichstag, says:

"Receive my warmest thanks for the loyal wishes which you have again laid before me on the Reichstag's behalf. I begin a serious and decisive year with proud thankfulness for the immense successes which have been gained by our indefatigable warriors and their brilliant leaders. I know to what extent the loyal work of the people at home has contributed to these

Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer of St. John, is registered at the Queen.

WILL TRAVEL ACROSS THE CONTINENT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—The Canadian members of the International Fisheries Commission, which has been in conference at Washington. Hon. J. D. Hazen, Chief Justice of New Brunswick, Mr. Geo. J. Desbarats, deputy minister of Naval Affairs, and Mr. W. A. Found, superintendent of fisheries, returned to the capital today. They will proceed almost immediately to Boston, where another conference will be held on Thursday of this week, at which it is hoped the fishing interests will be represented. Subsequent sittings will be held at Gloucester the end of this week, and at St. John on Tuesday, February 5th, and others may be held in the Maritime Provinces. It is probable that the commission will then proceed across the Dominion, holding sittings in the west and on the Pacific coast.

BIG BLAZE AT DUPONT PLANT

Wilmington, N. J., Jan. 29.—Fire at the Carney Point works of the Dupont Powder Company last night destroyed five hundred cases of smokeless powder and three drying tunnels and a recovery plant. The loss was estimated at \$250,000. One man was slightly burned. The blaze is believed to have been caused by the wheels of a car running over loose powder that had been spilled on the tracks in one of the drying tunnels.

PERSONAL.

Prof. Wilbur of St. John, who has been supplying as pianist at the Gem Theatre for some weeks, will return to St. John tonight.

Mr. Wm. McKenzie of St. John, is in the city.

Mr. G. F. Ward of Harcourt, is at the Queen.

Mr. Miles D. Emack of St. John, arrived in the city yesterday.

THE SECRETARY FOR WAR IS SHARPLY CRITICIZED

**Lovat Fraser Continues His Attacks on
General Staff--Says Pacifists Would
Replace Lloyd George With Asquith.**

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Lovat Fraser, whose recent article criticizing the military authorities has been the subject of ministerial deprecation in parliament, and endless newspaper criticism throughout the country, returns to the attack in Monday's Daily Mail with a two column open letter, addressed to the Earl of Derby, Secretary for War, challenging the latter to reply to his article of last Monday. Mr. Fraser says the views he submitted are not answered by "vague abuse of the conductors of particular newspapers." As regards these papers, he says the old Tory press stands for vested military interests and throws blame for anything wrong in the conduct of the war upon the ministry. The pacifist press, he argues, has only one object, and that is to overthrow Lloyd George and reinstate Asquith.

A DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY.

"What is the answer of the spokesman of the general staff?" he asks. "While the government asks for another half million men, the champions of the general staff ask for another million and a half. The idea that we are to put our minds and our consciences into the hands of the military clique forever and ever was tentatively accepted at the outbreak of hostilities, but it was an idea made in Germany, and we have had enough of it."

This is a democratic country, and it is time to look at the matter in a democratic way. We want to win this war. If the military experts who have had unquestioned control for the last two years have not made good, and show no sign of making good, it is time they were changed."

NEW YORK OFFICIALS PESSIMISTIC CONCERNING THE FUEL SITUATION

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—New York today found its coal shortage as menacing as ever, the snow and sleet storm of yesterday tying up movements of fuel and virtually nullifying the savings effected by the partial shut-down of industry ordered by the National Fuel Administration.

In the face of forecasts of more snow, officials in charge of the situation were frankly pessimistic over the outlook for relief. Freight traffic already had been thrown out of joint by huge snow drifts on all lines entering the city while the ice blockade in the harbor, which had been improving, is now said to be the worst in thirty years. Fuel administrators said they were pleased with the general results obtained by the closing order everywhere.

Huns Pull of Another Air Raid on the City of London

COAL SHORTAGE IS SERIOUS IN NEW ENGLAND

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Boston, Jan. 29.—With a severe northeast storm over New England tonight hampering movements of coal by rail and water and upsetting the plans for bringing fuel in large quantities into this district on the "heatless holiday," factories, stores and offices faced a complete stoppage of their coal supply.

The school board tonight issued an appeal to corporations having coal and to the two hundred private social clubs in the city for aid in keeping open schools that are without fuel.

ALIVE TO THE SUB DANGER

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Washington, Jan. 29.—Prospects of a concentrated effort on the part of German submarines to break down the transatlantic line of communication to the American Expeditionary Forces, predicted in the weekly review of the war department, had been foreseen also by naval officials. It was learned tonight that naval officials believe the imminent offensive to be started by the usual activities which have always succeeded a lull in submarine warfare.

Secretary Daniels in reply to questions said that the navy expects a "continuing of the fight" with the submarines with losses to both sides. He expressed the belief, however, that new weapons now in use will make such operations increasingly costly to the German admiralty.

Mr. M. McCarron of Newcastle, is in the city.

Metropolis was Attackad Last Night by Fifteen Enemy Aircraft--Got Warm Reception From Defending Forces--- One Machine Brought Down.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Jan. 29.—About fifteen German airplanes, of which four or five reached London, took part in the first of the two raids last night, it is announced officially. Only one of the raiders engaged in the second attack penetrated as far as the city. The attacks lasted intermittently for nearly five hours, and for two hours there was a heavy, continuous gunfire.

The members of the Royal Geographical Society, with many ladies in the large audience, were assembled to hear a speech by Lieut. General J. C. Smuts. Sir Thomas Holdich, the president, announced that notice had just been received of an air raid and that the police informed him the audience would be safer if they went to the basement of the building. There were loud cries of "carry on" and the audience remained.

**THE ENEMY AIRCRAFT FOLLOWED THE USUAL
TACTICS OF ATTACKING THE CITY IN RELAYS**

General Smuts spoke calmly for an hour amid reports of the guns. Afterward Walter Hume Long, Colonial Secretary, paid a warm tribute to General Smuts and the African army, which represented all units of the British Empire.

A majority of the theatres went through with their performances with decreased audiences, but some were idle because of the failure of actors to arrive on account of the lateness of suburban trains.

The raid was carried out by a considerable number of airplanes. As far as could be seen not more than three or four airplanes broke through the London defence. The invaders were attacked by numbers of British machines.

**THE ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS GOT BUSY AND KEPT
UP AN INTERMITTENT FIRE FOR FIVE HOURS**

London has been expecting enemy air raids during the past week of moonlight nights, but nothing had occurred, and Londoners began to think they would escape altogether, when at about eight o'clock the arrival of the unwelcome visitors was announced. The anti-aircraft guns were soon in action and continued firing intermittently for more than five hours, while the populace passed an anxious time indoors or in underground shelters. Great satisfaction was expressed when it was announced officially that one of the raiders had been brought down in Essex. It fell in flames from a height of ten thousand feet. All three of the crew were burned to death. An indecisive engagement was fought by a British pilot with another raider over the sea. All the British pilots returned safely.

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT SAYS 15 MACHINES TOOK
PART IN RAID, FOUR REACHING THE CAPITAL**

The official announcement of the raid follows: "The latest information shows that two groups of raiders crossed the Essex coast and one group the Kent coast, practically simultaneously, at about 8 p. m. The two former detachments proceeded toward London on parallel courses across Essex. The capital was approached from the east and north-east shortly after nine. Of the machines which crossed the Kent coast two dropped bombs on the Isle of Thanet and Sheppey. The remainder, crossing the Thames estuary, also approached east London through Essex. Apparently about 15 machines took part in these attacks, of which four or five reached the capital and dropped bombs in various districts between 9 and 10 p. m."

BLAZE AT N. S. STEEL PLANT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

New Glasgow, N. S., Jan. 29.—A blaze at the Scotia plant at Trenton caused no little excitement in New Glasgow last night, and there was a great rush for the steel works. The fire appears to have originated from an explosion of an acetylene tank in the storage department. The sides of the storage department and part of the roof were destroyed. The damage is between four and five thousand dollars. Officials of the company cannot understand how the explosion occurred and a formal investigation will be held.

SMASHUP IN MIDDLE WEST

Chicago, Jan. 29.—Three passengers were killed and 40 others injured yesterday when an Illinois Central train from Omaha was ditched by a broken rail near Granger, Ill.

SULTAN SELIM IS STILL FIT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Amsterdam, Jan. 29.—The Turkish battle cruiser Sultan Yawwuz Selim, formerly the German warship Goeben, according to a telegram from Constantinople, received here by way of Berlin, entered the harbor at Constantinople Sunday quite fit for service. Numerous air attacks by Entente airplanes, it is added, inflicted only unimportant damage to the funnel and the armored plating, only two small bombs having struck the ship.

WOOLEN MILL HAS FIRE LOSS

Northboro, Mass., Jan. 29.—The main building of the Whittaker and Bacon woollen mill, engaged in manufacturing wool waste on government contracts was burned last night. The police say the fire started from a spark in one of the carding machines. The loss is estimated at \$300,000.