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WHITE STAR LINER AT HALIFAX WITH SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS ON BOARD

Col. C. W. Peck, Canadian M. P., Who Won the Victoria Cross and D. S. O., Among the Number—Is a Native of Albert County, New Brunswick—Sir Andrew McPhail, of McGill, Returning Home After Two Years' Service.

HALIFAX, March 1.—The White Star liner Lapland, with two thousand returning officers and men of the Canadian Expeditionary Force and a large number of civilian passengers, most of whom are proceeding to New York, docked this morning after an uneventful passage of eight days from Liverpool.

Among the distinguished soldiers returning on the Lapland was Colonel C. W. Peck, V. C., D. S. O., M. P., of Prince Rupert, who is proceeding to Ottawa on special leave for the purpose of attending the sessions of the House as the representative of Skeena, B. C.

Col. Peck stated this morning that he intended meeting his regiment, the 16th Canadian Scottish Battalion, at the port of disembarkation, and accompanying it to its destination upon its arrival in the spring. Col. Peck won the V. C. on Sept. 2nd, 1918, in the second battle of Arras, when, accompanied by his pipers, he led his battalion in person before Cambrai, breaking down a resistance of machine guns that had defied the whole division. The pipers were all killed. His D. S. O. was won at Vimy Ridge. Col. Peck was mentioned five times in despatches and wears of course the ribbon of the 1914-15 star. He went overseas as a captain with the thirtieth battalion, and this is his first trip to Canada since the outbreak of the war. He is a native of Albert county, New Brunswick.

Sir Andrew McPhail Says That Huns Will Be Left to Work Out Their Own Salvation

Major Andrew MacPhail, professor of the history of medicine at McGill University and editor of the University Magazine, is returning after two years spent with the medical staff of the second division. Sir Andrew stated that he left the Cologne bridgehead on Jan. 9th. In his opinion the Germans are a shattered people and know that their idols are fallen. He thought it probable that the Rhine would be held indefinitely and that the Huns would be left to work out their own salvation. He stated also that very little interest was being taken in the peace conference in England and that the opinion prevailed that the League of Nations would keep the peace, so long as the nations were disposed to keep it, and no longer. The League that could not protect Belgium was not likely to be any more effective in the future, with Hottentots and Chinamen added to it, said the Major.

Canadian Medical Service in England Now Running as Smoothly as a University Hospital

Discussing the Canadian medical service in England, Sir Andrew stated it was now running with all the smoothness of a university or Canadian hospital. The attacks upon the service which were so common in the beginning had long since ceased and the care of Canadian sick and wounded from the front line back to Canada had been a model for all the forces. With reference to the returned soldiers, Sir Andrew stated that he, the soldier, appreciated fully all that was being done in the matter of his return to civil life.

Major MacPhail is accompanied by his son, Capt. J. B. MacPhail, who went over as a sapper with the first division and left as a brigade major with the Engineers. He spent forty months in France.

ZIONIST CASE PRESENTED TO CONFERENCE

Paris, Feb. 28—Dr. Skolow, head of the Zionist delegation to the peace conference, said today referring to the appearance of a delegation before the peace conference, said the council of ten gave attentive hearing to the Zionist case, and that as far as he could judge the prospects were good for favorable action. He summed up the aspirations of the Jews as follows: Recognition of the historic title of the Jewish people to Palestine and the right to constitute there their National home.

Dr. Skolow said the Jewish delegation held that Palestine should comprise the whole territory within the historic boundaries of the ancient land of Israel, with an outlet to the Red Sea as in the time of King Solomon. The delegation also asks that sovereignty

TELEPHONE EMPLOYEES MAY GO ON STRIKE

Boston, Feb. 28—Tabulators of the New England joint council of Telephone workers announced tonight that ninety-five per cent. of the twelve thousand organized employees of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Providence Telephone and Telegraph Company had voted in favor of a strike to enforce wage demands and the principle of collective bargaining. Exact figures were not disclosed.

reign possession of Palestine be vested in the League of Nations, with the duty to a mandatory power to prepare the country for the establishment of a Jewish national home, especially making possible the creation of an autonomous commonwealth.

STATISTICS RE SALARIES OF TEACHERS

Information Concerning What is Paid Members of Staffs of the Fredericton Schools.

A resident of Fredericton who has taken a keen interest in matters pertaining to civic government and other matters has given the Mail the following information with regard to the salaries paid school teachers in Fredericton. He gave the information because his attention had been drawn to the statements repeatedly published in the press that the teachers were agitating for increased salaries.

The statement which is taken from figures furnished by the School Board for January 1st, 1919, show that the numbers and salaries of the teachers are as follows:—seven male teachers salaries ranging from \$1,300 to \$2,150; three female teachers, salaries ranging from \$1,100 to \$1,200; three female teachers, salaries ranging from \$900 to \$925; two female teachers salaries \$800 and \$850; sixteen female teachers, salaries ranging from \$700 to \$780; seven female teachers ranging from \$650 to \$685.

In the foregoing statement salaries are annual and do not include any members of the Provincial Normal School staff. They are for the school year which provides for upwards of ten weeks' vacation in the course of the calendar year.

The same informant also commented on the fact that in 1909 the annual assessment for school purposes was \$18,000 while this year it was estimated that it would be near \$50,000.

FELL DOWN STAIRS WITH HER CHILD

Marysville, Mar. 1—Marysville Lodge K. of P. met in regular session at Castle Hall last evening. One new member was initiated into the Lodge. Mrs. Fred Clark of St. John who has been the guest of Mayor Stafford and family has returned to her home accompanied by Miss Lillian Stafford. Mrs. Thomas Hanson met with a serious accident at Hanson's Hotel yesterday morning. She was in the act of descending the stairs with a child in her arms when in some manner her foot became entangled with the result that she fell heavily to the floor sustaining painful injuries both to herself and child.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Lyons of Harvey were here yesterday to attend the funeral of Mr. Lyons' mother the late Mrs. Joseph Lyons.

Capt. John Osborne's team defeated Capt. Watson McLean's in a three string match at the Dawson Club Allys last evening. Messrs F. R. Dunbar and Edward Wade rolled a five string match, the former winning by a margin of two pins.

SHOULD BE A DEAD LETTER

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 28—Magistrate Jells said today that he thought the Military Service Act should be a dead letter by now. In dismissing a charge against a young man who had failed to notify the registrar of a change of address, the Magistrate said he did not think the authorities wanted to keep alive any feeling against the government by pursuing such technical breaches of the Act.

SUGGESTS POST FOR GEN. CURRIE

London, March 1—The Evening News suggests that General Sir Arthur Currie should receive the governorship of Malta shortly to be made vacant through the retirement of Lord Merthuen. "Up to the present" says the News "however, great the services of the colonial General have been, he has been rigidly excluded from any military position outside of his own Dominion. The time has come to break down this state of things.

Tells Story of DeValera's Escape From Lincoln Prison

POULTRY MAN TO VISIT THE OLD COUNTRY

Ottawa, Feb. 28—W. A. Brown, now chief of the Poultry Division of the Livestock Branch, has been appointed as the delegate in Canada to the International Conference of Poultry instructors and investigators which is to meet in London, England, during the second week of March.

While overseas Mr. Brown will make a careful canvass of the possible openings for the Canadian Export trade in eggs and the fact that Canada is further advanced than any other country in the world in her system of egg grading and standardization and that her export shipments of eggs are subject to government inspection and guarantee, will be impressed upon all possible importers.

CASH ADVANCES TO CANADIAN GOVERNMENT

London, Mar. 1—An imperial treasury statement gives the total cash advances to the Canadian government, besides advances for which Dominion bonds have been issued, as 79,000,000 pounds on March thirty-one, 1918. Cash advances by the Dominion government, apart from certain accounts still under consideration at the same date were \$484,349,927 making with interest, \$506,145,731. It has been agreed that the sum due from the Dominion government will be set off against corresponding amounts due from the Imperial government.

THE BOARDS OF TRADE CAN HELP

Toronto, Feb. 28—Appealing for consideration of reconstruction problems, the Canadian Reconstruction Association has written to Boards of Trade asking them to call conference in their communities. It suggests that there should be a frank discussion of all concerned of pertinent facts with a view to co-operation between employers and workers, and a sympathetic understanding among all elements in the community of the actual situation and outlook.

NEW PRESIDENT OF URUGUAY

Montevideo, Uruguay, March 1—With the inauguration of Dr. Balissar Bruna as president today, Uruguay begins a commission form of government for the republic, the commission being formed of the president elected by the direct vote of the people and nine commissioners, appointed by the two houses of congress.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New York, March 1—Week end profit-taking probably accounted for the irregular tone of the stock market at the opening of today's trading. Shipments and equipment represented the stronger feature and oils and motors were again heavy.

BOLSHEVISM IN GERMANY

London, Mar. 1—Several of the morning newspapers feature articles in the internal demobilization of Germany and the dangerous growth of Bolshevism as a result of lack of food and the increase of unemployment.

Sinn Fein Leader's Getaway Carefully Planned and Executed—Had Assistance From Outside—Pretty Girls Brought From Dublin to Flirt with the Sentries—Decoy Autos Used to Fool the Prison Guards.

PARIS, March 1.—While the newspapers of the United Kingdom are still speculating over the mysterious escape from Lincoln prison in England of Edward De Valera, the Sinn Fein leader, the manner in which he effected his break from captivity on February 3rd has become known here. It was related to the Associated Press by Sean O'Cealligh, the prominent Sinn Feiner who is here asking the peace conference to recognize the "provisional government of the Irish Republic," having crossed the channel on a passport secured by a subterfuge.

"After the midnight arrest of Edward De Valera near his home in Greystone," O'Cealligh began, "he with twelve comrades was sent to Lincoln prison, the other Sinn Feiners arrested being distributed in order to avoid concentrating them at any one jail. Because of De Valera's importance, the strictest watch was maintained upon the prison. No friend or relative was allowed to see him or his comrades, and they were permitted to write and receive only three letters each, weekly.

Plans for His Escape Were Formulated By a Committee of Republican Irishmen

"A committee of republican Irishmen was appointed to take charge of the question of the release of the incarcerated comrades, and the first result of that committee's activity was the escape of De Valera. The committee selected a number of men for the job who had been tried by fire and who would not be too timid in cases where there was gun play.

The first task was to survey the prison and discover the possibilities of a forceful coup. The next move was to communicate with De Valera, which was very difficult. However one Sinn Feiner started work on a garden plot near the prison and attracted De Valera's attention one day by singing Sinn Fein songs in Gaelic, in which he told the leader that an attempt would be made to rescue him.

Handsome and Cultured Young Women Were Brought From Dublin to Flirt With Sentries

The warden's suspicions were not aroused, because it was not uncommon for workmen to be about the prison. The man appeared again in a few days and sang a ballad in which he told Valera that the rear exit of the prison was the most feasible, and asking De Valera to secure an impression of the key to the gate.

"The impression of the key was secured, though I am not quite sure of the method, but presume it is the same as I myself employed at one time, making a paste of bread and soap and distracting the warden's attention while the big key was slapped against the paste for a second. This impression was wrapped in paper with a stone and thrown to the singer.

The sentries about the rear of the prison were a grave problem, but finally a telegram sent to Dublin brought two handsome young women, both highly cultured university graduates, who arrayed themselves as shop girls and set out deliberately to flirt with the soldiers, and soon came to know most of the guards.

Escape was Made on the Eve of February 3, Present Whereabouts of De Valera Unknown

De Valera was informed by code in a letter that February 3rd was set for his escape and the procedure to be followed was outlined as much as possible. This little code had been arranged for just such an emergency before De Valera was imprisoned.

On the eve of February 3rd four motor cars packed with Irishmen were sent wandering about the country near Lincoln to serve as decoys for the police. At four o'clock the prisoners were brought in from their period of exercise. They then had a three hour period for wandering in and about the prison before being locked up for the night.

"In the dusk, shortly after 4 o'clock the girls appeared and enticed the guards from the rear of the prison as far as possible. Then two Sinn Feiners quickly cut a path through the barbed wire.

"At 5 o'clock De Valera, with McGarry and Millerooy the two Sinn Feiners who escaped with him, sauntered to the back gate. Their friends outside crept up and opened the gate with the false key while the sentries continued their flirtation with the girls. "An automobile was waiting and De Valera was whisked away to London, while the police chased the decoy motors.

"Where De Valera is cannot be disclosed, but he will be here on time when he is wanted."

TO OPERATE THE CAPE COD CANAL

Washington, Feb. 28—The administration bill authorizing the government through the secretary of war, to take over and operate the Cape Cod Canal was passed by the senate today and sent to the house. Leaders there saw little prospect for passage of the measure before adjournment.

MARTIAL LAW IN MADRID

Madrid, Feb. 28—Martial Law has been declared in Madrid and troops are patrolling the streets. Order has been restored, but some theatres have been closed.