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CRIMEAN WAR REMAINS IN FORCE AT BERWICK

Town on Anglo-Saxon Border Never Made Peace With Imperial Russia of Tsars

BERWICK-ON-TWEED, England, Oct. 8.—This border town is still technically at war with Russia. Not Soviet Russia, but Imperial Russia of the Tsars. No peace has been declared since the Crimean War—but neither have shots been fired.

It was all brought about because Berwick used to be a subject of dispute between England and Scotland. In the early part of the last century it had not been decided whether it was English or Scottish and so treaties signed by the United Kingdom had to include a separate clause for Berwick-on-Tweed.

When peace was declared between Britain and Russia after the Crimean War, Berwick-on-Tweed was overlooked—so technically it is still at war.

Incident Recalled

The story is told that recently a small Russian tramp steamer, driven off her course, decided to put in to get supplies. The skipper anchored just outside the harbor and sounded his siren.

A local fisherman put out in a small boat and drew alongside. One of the Russian crew, who could speak a little English, leaned over the side and roared:

"Give food; Give food; Very hungry. Now you hurry."

The fisherman, who neither liked the way he had been addressed, nor foreigners in general, let fly in a foghorn voice that could be heard on shore:

"Awa' wi' ye—ye furry fools; This isn't Moscow. This is Berwick. An' next time ye come ye'll get a gun down your gullet."

"We're at war wi' Russia here!"

Silently the ship steamed off to sea.

STATEMENTS OF CONVICTS WILL BE RECEIVED

Penitentiary Commission to Have Private and Public Sessions

OTTAWA, Oct. 9.—The Penitentiary Commission plans to find out what is going on inside of the penitentiaries, and to that end it proposes to hear whatever convicts want to be heard, as well as the officials and the guards. The officials will not be present when the prisoners are heard, nor will the prisoners be there when the latter testify. The evidence is to be treated as confidential. The theory is that this is the only way to get at the bottom of the situation and that convicts would feel themselves under restraint if they thought that what they said would get back to their keepers. This is the reason given for the proposal to have such part of the inquiry as is in the penitentiaries made in camera.

The public sittings will be held in the principal cities of the country when public organizations or individuals with ideas respecting the reformation or rehabilitation of criminals or the penal system generally, will be heard.—Daily Citizen.

BUILDING OF FLEET SPEEDED IN THE SOVIET

Construction Program Well Advanced, Says Notice From Kremlin

MOSCOW, Oct. 8.—Russia's naval construction programme, which will give the Soviet Union's navy comparable strength with the army and air force, already is well advanced, the Kremlin has disclosed.

The announcement did not give specific details of tonnage. The authorities, remembering the lesson of 1904 when the Japanese cut and divided the Russian fleet in pieces, are building separate and independent fleets for the Baltic and the Pacific and lesser units for the Black, Caspian and White Seas.

Negotiations for a treaty under which the Soviet would restrict the tonnage of its Baltic fleet, have been going on in London for months. But the Russians refuse to be bound by any limitations in the Pacific unless the Japanese join in the treaty.

Using an indirect form of announcement, the Kremlin disclosed through the Communist newspaper Pravda that the "Soviet Union is building a huge fleet designed for specific needs and conditions in different seas in which we may be compelled to act."

"Concentration has been upon the building of a submarine fleet. Industrialization has now provided all the necessary materials and conditions for the further development of the fleet."

"Under leadership of the Communist party and Joseph Stalin's Central Committee, the Soviet country will continue to strengthen its sea borders and create a powerful workers' and peasants' fleet that will reach the level of all other armed forces and increase the defence capacity of the Soviet Union as a great power, invulnerable alike from land, sea and air."

EXCURSION FARES TO THE PACIFIC COAST

MONTREAL, Oct. 8.—Residents of Eastern Canada will have an opportunity this fall and winter of travelling to milder climates by round-trip excursions in effect on the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific railways from stations in the East to Pacific Coast points and other centres in the West, according to C. P. Riddell, Chairman, Canadian Passenger Association. These destinations will include Vancouver and Victoria, B. C.; Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma, Wash.; Portland, Oregon; San Francisco, Oakland, San Diego and Los Angeles in California, as well as to points in Idaho and Arizona.

Tickets will be on sale daily commencing October 1st and up to and including May 14, 1937. For these excursions three classes of fares will be available, namely, first class, intermediate class and coach class. First class tickets are good for passage in standard sleeping or parlor cars on payment of additional charge for accommodation in such cars. Intermediate class tickets are good for passage in tourist cars on payment of regular charge for such accommodation. Coach class tickets are good for passage in coaches only.

First class tickets to destinations in British Columbia, Oregon and Washington will be good for a period of six months but tickets issued to destinations in California, Arizona and Idaho will be limited to thirty days. Intermediate and coach class tickets to all destinations will be good for six months.

"The North Pacific Coast, protected from the severe cold by the great mountain ranges, is year by year attracting an ever increasing number of visitors who are anxious to avoid the rigors of winters in the East and who desire to participate in outdoor activities which are normally only summer sports elsewhere in the Dominion, while the attractions of California and other centres to which these fares apply are well known to all who have travelled extensively in the West," stated Mr. Riddell.

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CANADIAN CORPS LEADER'S MEMORY TO BE PERPETUATED

Monument From Comrades to Mark Grave of Sir Arthur Currie

General Sir Arthur Currie's memory will be perpetuated in stone, it was revealed by a committee of former members of the Canadian Corps residing in or near Montreal which has now under erection a symbolic monument of Stanstead granite in the Mt. Royal cemetery. It is hoped to unveil the monument at a fitting ceremony on Armistice Day.

It has long been the desire of ex-servicemen and officers to erect some suitable memorial in Montreal. Last year a committee was formed to forward this ambition under the chairmanship of Lieut.-Col. Herbert Molson, C.M.G., M.C., members of the committee consisting of Lieut.-Col. Magee, D.S.C., Major George C. McDonald, M.C., Lieut.-Col. W. C. Nicholson, D.S.C., M.C., and Mr. Justice C. G. Mackinnon.

The original suggestions of Colonel Molson were followed in the selection of the monument. One of the features of the monument is the embodiment of the 'Cross of Sacrifice,' designed by Sir Reginald Bloomfield, F.R.A.I.C.

This Cross of Sacrifice is for use only in memory of those killed in action or who died of wounds in the Great War. An exception was made in the case of the late Lord Haig and at the request of the Canadian Government, permission was granted by the Imperial Graves Commission for the embodiment of the Cross of Sacrifice in the monument now being erected. There are only these two exceptions to the rule, granted in recognition of the great services of these leaders.

In the foundations of the monument will be deposited earth from Vimy Ridge, the Somme and the Ypres Salient. This was brought back from France by the Vimy Pilgrims, and also earth from the City of Mons and surrounding districts which has been sent over by the Burgomaster of Mons for this purpose.

CRYPT EXTENSION TO FAMOUS LONDON CHURCH—MIDNIGHT TRANSFER OF COFFINS AND BONES

Coffins and human bones hundreds of years old will be removed from vaults underneath St. Martin-in-the-Fields, celebrated old Church in Trafalgar Square, London, when work begins this month on new extensions to the Crypt.

The extensions have been made imperative by the ever increasing call on the Church's social welfare service, a system of charity and help with such wide ramifications that it is famed throughout the world. This service not only offers homeless men and women beds and shelter for the night, but it afterwards takes care of them, builds them up again, and even finds them jobs. As many as 55,000 men have been given shelter at St. Martin's during a single year.

Thousands of Canadian war veterans who enjoyed the hospitality of St. Martin's Fellowship Rooms when the Vimy Memorial was unveiled recently, visited the Crypt and were able to see for themselves how this great social welfare service is conducted.

At present, men and women are interviewed and, in many cases, accommodated for the night in two separate Crypts under the Church. But heavy demands for shelter and help have decided the Church authorities to extend accommodation by utilising the only available space, that now occupied by vaults under the East end of the Church. These vaults have been sealed up since 1859, in which year they were opened for the reinterment of centuries-old coffins and bones from another part of the Church.

Work will begin on the new extensions at the end of October. The walls of the vaults will be demolished and the coffins and bones transferred at midnight to consecrated ground on the outskirts of London, where they will be re-interred. In place of the catacomb of vaults there will spring up two or three bright new rooms which will then be available for welfare work, and in which homeless strangers to London can obtain sanctuary.

DEAN GIVES FRANK VIEWS ON EDUCATION

Frank statements on education featured a talk by Dean Sinclair Laird of the School for Teachers, Macdonald College, Montreal, before members of the Montreal Rotary Club at luncheon in the Windsor Hotel. J. Arthur Lapres was in the chair.

"The best systems of education are those which receive 50 per cent or more of their funds from government sources. School boards in Quebec raise some \$30,000,000 each year locally. The government contributes less than \$5,000,000. That is what is wrong with education in this province," he declared.

Again: "The best teachers in our schools are those in the primary grades; and they are paid the least." Or: "The aim of education is to enable children to do without teachers."

Dean Laird rated soundly the "cramming" method of education employed by many high school teachers in preparation for final examinations. "Such students are well crammed and well qualified for examination, but they make poor students when they reach college."

Businessmen's criticism of education was returned in good measure. "If businessmen would see that simplified method of phonetic spelling and the metric system of weights and measures were adopted, it would save two years of schooling."

Anglo-Saxon superiority received a rap. "The nicest children to teach in our city are the Chinese. They are very appreciative of the teacher's efforts and desire to learn."

MARSHES FLOODED AS RIVER WATERS OVERFLOW BANKS

No Property Damage Reported as Result of Floods—Tidal Bore Unusually High.

A recent issue of The Moncton Times contains the following interesting feature dealing with high tides and the Petitcodiac bore.

Heralded by the screeching cries of hundreds of seabirds and a mighty roar which could be heard several minutes before its approach along the city waterfront, the bore of the Petitcodiac swept up the river like a veritable tidal avalanche yesterday morning. The flood waters following in its wake overflowed the river banks, crashed through dyke barriers and inundated hundreds of acres of marshlands in this district and, in some places, flooded the highways to a depth of over two feet.

The week-end tides were among the highest ever experienced here, the river waters rising nearly 10 feet above the normal level. Although large areas of marshlands were flooded there were no reports of any serious property damage in this immediate area.

Traffic Halted

About twenty-five feet of dyke broke away on the Humphrey Lockhart marsh at Lewisville, the whole marsh area being flooded while the waters also covered the highway. The eastern dyke of the marshland owned by W. F. Ferguson also gave way and the flood waters covered the whole immediate area, flooding the highway at Botsford street extension and temporarily tying up vehicular traffic.

The marshlands lying between Main street east and Leger corner was also under water although the highway in this section was not flooded. The marsh on the city side of the Petitcodiac River bridge was also inundated and several stacks of hay were swept away.

Tantramar Marshes Under Water

Reports from the eastern section of the county stated that the marshlands in the Amherst district were flooded Saturday when the tides broke through the dykes. Traffic was stopped on the highway entrance to Nova Scotia and hundreds of acres of hay and grain were destroyed by the flood.

The high tides have been experienced here for the past few days. During that time the daily arrivals of the bore has been witnessed by hundreds of spectators, who were anxious to see the tidal phenomena when it is at its best. Last night's bore measured three feet in height and was said to have been a most impressive spectacle.

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