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COMPULSORY REGISTRATION WILL SOLVE LABOR PROBLEM

PLANS FOR NEW NATIONAL REGISTRATION OF POPULATION OF DOMINION ARE NOW BEING WORKED OUT—LABOR SUPPLY IN DOMINION WILL NOW BE CORRECTLY ASCERTAINED.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—The general lines of policy behind the Union Government's objective of a systematic and adequate mobilization of the whole resources of the nation to meet war needs and war conditions are gradually assuming concrete form in definite action. The conference with the Provincial representatives cover practically all the main problems which have to be considered.

To first conference with organized labor practically settled the fundamental question as to the direct extension of industrial labor as well as military service. Organized Labor, through its representatives, declared against the suggestion of a further extension of the "conscription" idea.

The present conference with the Provincial Premiers, in so far as it relates to the vital question of organizing labor for the production of absolute necessities, is taking up the problem on the understanding that results are to be obtained on the voluntary system, backed up by vigorous and systematic organization, education and patriotic appeal.

At the same time, however, while direct compulsion seems impracticable, under all circumstances the Government is working towards the practical accomplishment of a compulsory organization by the State of all its resources in man and woman power to meet war needs through indirect compulsory methods.

Labor Agrees to Compulsory Registry

Compulsion has been agreed to by organized labor in so far as the national registration scheme is concerned. That is the first big concrete step. Plans for taking this national inventory thoroughly and expeditiously are now being worked out.

Among the objects in view through the taking of the coming national inventory is, according to the Government's statement, the ascertaining of the labor supply procurable by closing or curtailing less essential industries. While it is promised that before any industries are shut down organized labor will be consulted, it is pretty certain that steps will be taken in the near future to curtail the output of luxuries, or of other industries not really essential to national organization in war time. One concrete method of doing this will be through the gradual pressure exercised by the War Trade Board in controlling imports and in the distribution of raw materials according to the priority licensing system. This is another concrete line of action along indirect compulsory methods evolved from the Government's basic idea of diverting all labor supplies to the needed points.

THE RED GUARD WILL DEFEND PETROGRAD

Petrograd will be Defended by Bolshevik Red Guard in German Invasion is Continued.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Petrograd, Feb. 22.—The leaders of the Bolshevik here declare that they will defend Petrograd with the Red Guard, and will harass the German advance by guerrilla warfare. No plans have yet been made for the evacuation of the city. In a dispatch to the executive of the Soldier's and Workmen's Council Trotsky says "We are not followers of Tolstoi. We do not say we will not resist the German invasion." At the same time he outlined a plan by which the socialist army would conduct a guerilla campaign, thus hampering the efforts of the Germans. With the whole nation against the invaders, the German armies would be swallowed up even as Russia swallowed Napoleon's Grande Armee in 1812, and that of Charles XII of Sweden before that.

Peace by One Vote.

Petrograd, Feb. 22.—The decision of the Soldier's and Workmen's Council to accept the German peace terms was reached by a majority of only one vote, after a heated debate lasting through out Monday night. Great secrecy was observed in regard to the meeting, which was adjourned several times to permit the Bolsheviks and the Social Revolutionaries to hold party caucuses. There were divisions in both parties on the subject.

No Peace.

London, Feb. 22.—The British Government has instructed its agent at Kiev to make the declaration that Great Britain will not recognize any peace in Eastern Europe, which involves Poland, without a previous consultation with the citizens of that country.

TROOPS CONTRIBUTE TO VICTORY LOAN

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—That the Canadians at the front are just as willing to fight with dollars as with bayonets is shown by the report of the militia department. In two weeks, the soldiers' subscribed \$2,500,000 to the Victory Loan.

SHIPPING LOSSES

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Feb. 22.—The British merchantmen sunk by mine or submarine during the past week numbered fifteen, according to an Admiralty statement last night. Twelve were of sixteen hundred tons or over, and three were under that tonnage. One fishing craft was also sunk.

PREMIER BREWSTER AND PREMIER BORDEN CONFER

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—A conference which Premier Brewster had with Premier Borden yesterday afternoon has revived speculation here as to the likelihood of Premier Brewster entering the Dominion cabinet. No official announcement on the subject has been made.

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CABINET ASKS SUGGESTIONS FROM WOMEN

Delegates of Canadian Women Will Meet War Cabinet—Invited to make Suggestions as to Action.

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—A delegation of the women of Canada, representing as far as is possible every sphere of women's activity in the Dominion, will meet with the War Cabinet on Thursday, February 28. The delegation will number between forty and fifty women, and the government will place in the hands of the delegates confidential information as to the actual condition of affairs.

They will be invited to make suggestions in regard to governmental action. This is the first occasion in which women have been formally invited to meet the government in conference.

MUNITIONS FOR RUSSIA PILED HIGH IN NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 21.—If Nicholas Romanoff, formerly Czar of Russia, could get away from Siberia, he could spend a busy couple of years defending legal actions in and around New York, which no doubt he would be glad to do.

Over in Brooklyn today Sheriff's appraisers were busy making an inventory of the \$200,000,000 worth of munitions bought and paid for by the defunct pre-revolutionary Russian Government, and at present stored on the huge fourteen acre pier at the foot of Forty-third street, Bush Dock.

The appraisal follows the serving of a writ of attachment upon \$45,000 worth of material last Saturday. The plaintiffs in the action are the Russian Volunteer Fleet, the steamship company, supposed to be owned by the Russian Government, which had the contract for transporting the munitions from Brooklyn to Archangel. The Sheriff's appraisers found the huge pier piled high with rifles, motorcycles, machine guns, barbed wire, motor trucks, tractors, clothing, shoes, and other valuable munitions.

There are \$11,000,000 worth of rifles alone. The attachment upon which the Sheriff's office is now working is thought to be but the forerunner of a swarm of others. Creditors of the former Russian Government who have heard of the vast amount of property held here for lack of ships to carry it are preparing to give a legal feast.

One attachment for \$500,000 is already under way. Others are expected.

COL. REPINGTON AND LONDON MORNING POST FINED £100 AND COSTS

London, Feb. 22.—Fines of 100 pounds each and costs were imposed upon Colonel Repington and Howell Gwynne, editor of the London Morning Post, for publishing an article last week in violation of the military censorship.

SAYS FIGHT IS FOR VERY EXISTENCE OF FREEDOM

London, Feb. 22.—Viscount Milner, speaking at Plymouth, deprecated too much talk about the war aims of the allies. He insisted that until the stage of peace negotiations is reached, we are fighting for the very existence of the free nations of Western Europe.

LENINE AND TROTSKY ARE NOW REPORTED TO BE IN FLIGHT

RUMOURS OF ANOTHER REVOLUTION IN PETROGRAD OVERTHROWING BOLSHEVIKI GOVERNMENT—LENINE AND TROTSKY SAID TO BE NOW IN RIGA—GERMAN ARMIES PRESSING EASTWARD

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Feb. 22.—Rumours are current in Vasa, in Finland that the Bolshevik government in Petrograd has been overthrown by the social revolutionists under the leadership of M. Tchernoff, according to the correspondent there of the Politikan, of Copenhagen, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. Nikolai Lenine and Leon Trotsky are said to have escaped to Riga.

Mr. Tchernoff was the chairman of the short lived Constitutional Assembly, in the section for which position he beat the Bolshevik candidate. For this reason, the Assembly was broken up by force the next day, and dispersed, and the arrest of Tchernoff was demanded. M. Tchernoff was strongly pro-ally in his statements, and still considers that Russia could attract and keep engaged a large portion of the troops of the Central Empires, thus relieving the pressure of the western front.

The German Advance.

Berlin, via London, Feb. 22.—The Russian town of Rovno has been cleared of Russians. Trains with about one thousand cars laden with food have been captured as well as aeroplanes, and an incalculable amount of war materials. Between Dvinsk and

Pinsk, the General von Linsingen's movements continue to be unhampered. Important railway and highway junctions have been captured.

Material Captured.

The War Office announces that 1,353 guns and between 4,000 and 5,000 motor cars have been captured from the Russians so far in the new campaign. The Germans have passed through Wenden, fifty-five miles north east of Riga, and are now before Wolmar, seventy miles north east of Riga.

Near Petrograd.

London, Feb. 22.—The German troops have occupied Dvinsk and are advancing towards Pskoff, 180 miles south west of Petrograd, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd. They also have occupied Hapsal, Ethonia, and their cavalry is pushing towards Mohilev, the former Russian general headquarters.

London, Feb. 22.—The Express Telegraph Company's correspondent in Petrograd telegraphed yesterday that forty-five German warships were approaching the port of Reval, the Russian naval station of the Gulf of Finland. The fortifications were dismantled recently. Already thousands of German troops have disembarked, and are said to be approaching Petrograd overland.

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT AWAITS SHIPPING

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, Feb. 22.—Millions of bushels of wheat are available in Australia to feed the armies of the allies if only ships can be obtained. Crawford Vaughn, former Premier of South Australia, yesterday told twenty-eight State directors of the Public Service Reserve, who are aiding the campaign to enroll workers for shipbuilding.

"The prime need of the allies is ships," Mr. Vaughn said. "There are today 300,000,000 bushels of wheat in my country waiting for tonnage. The workmen in the yards of America must realize that every time they slacken up or take time off the effect is just the same as if their artillery in France stopped the barrage during a charge."

GERMAN SOCIALISTS ARRANGING A STRIKE

London, Feb. 21.—The German Independent Socialists are arranging for a demonstrative strike in the munition factories throughout the empire, commencing on March 1st, according to information received in Berlin and forwarded by the Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

WILL ASK 25,000 BOY VOLUNTEERS FOR FARMS

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—The organization of the "soldiers of the soil" movement inaugurated by the Canada Food Board, is now practically completed and the work will be commenced at an early date to enlist twenty-thousand boy volunteers to assist in food production on the farms this year.

FURTHER EFFORTS TO GET CLASS ONE MEN

(Special to The Daily News.)

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—While the number of men raised to date for military service in class one may be disappointing, it is evident, judging by the activity at Registrar Lennie's office, following upon receipt of recent orders from Ottawa, that the government is not satisfied that all the men available for service in this class have been secured.

Renewed efforts will be made to see that no man in the Province in Class one, who should, according to the regulations, be in khaki, will be overlooked. All exemption claims will be gone over carefully and the province combed for slackers.

VETERANS WOULD MARCH TO OTTAWA

(Special to The Daily News.)

Hamilton, Feb. 22.—Dissatisfied with the stand the government has taken on the alien question, the Hamilton war veterans have started a movement to have 10,000 returned soldiers march to the parliament buildings at Ottawa on Good Friday and demand that the Union administration take some action. The veterans want the aliens, both enemy and friendly, either conscripted for war work at home, service in the ranks or deported to their native countries.

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