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## WINNIPEG STRIKE GROWS STRONGER DAILY

### TWELVE THOUSAND MEN NOW OUT--SHIPYARD WORKERS IN VICTORIA MAY GO

#### GERMAN OFFENSIVE PLANS HAMPERED BY ALLIES' BLOWS

AT NUMEROUS POINTS, ENEMY HAS BEEN FORCED BACK TO NEW LINES AND HIS ARRANGEMENTS UPSET—RAIDS AND LOCAL ATTACKS STILL CONTINUE—ITALIAN SUCCESS.

(Special to The Daily News)

London, May 23.—The German plans for the resumption of the offensive in France has been seriously hampered by the sudden blows of the allies here and there along the whole front. The Germans have been forced back at numerous points to new lines, which may be the more easily defended. The swift and sudden attacks made by the British and French forces on the Flanders front have apparently got upon the nerves of the German soldiers. They are unable to anticipate where the next blow will fall, and prisoners taken captive appear to be greatly relieved, when their anxieties are removed.

Expected Soon.

Paris, May 23.—The German attack is expected soon, and will most probably take place in the Somme region near Albert, on the Aisne river. The German artillery batteries have been in constant action for so long here that the attack might be expected any time, but so far, the German general staff have not yet shown their hand.

Berlin's Report.

Berlin, May 23.—Heavy artillery fighting is reported in an official statement received from General Headquarters today. The chief zones said to be under gun fire were the Kemmel district, both sides of the Lys, and between Arras and Albert.

More Raids.

London, May 23.—The Germans attacked and attempted to raid the British positions near Mesnil but were repulsed. British forces carrying out a raid on the German positions around Hebuterne, inflicted very severe losses upon the enemy.

Abandon Zeebrugge.

Berne, May 23.—The German naval authorities are preparing to abandon Zeebrugge and Ostend as naval bases because of the recent blockades effected by the British naval forces, and the constant harassing of the British bombing planes.

Italian Success.

Rome, May 23.—The Italian troops on the mountains west of the Brenta river broke up many enemy attacks, especially on the north slopes of Santo Rosso. On Monte Spinnocchia, west of the Piave, says an official statement, an Austrian position was destroyed, and fifty-three prisoners captured.

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#### MORE UNIONS JOIN WINNIPEG STRIKE

Winnipeg, May 23.—With twelve thousand men on strike, and more unions joining the walk-out hourly, conditions in Winnipeg are daily becoming more grave. In a cold drizzling rain, thousands walked to their work this morning. The Business Men's League has a thousand motors operated by the owners and volunteers free of expense for those who desire to ride, and a hundred licences were taken out in the rush hours for automobile hire cars.

#### ARMENIANS WILL FIGHT TO DEATH

London, May 21.—It is learned from Armenian sources that everywhere in the Caucasus the Armenians are organizing in order to resist the attempted advance of the Turkish troops eastward. Telegraphic information from both Armenian and Turkish sources has announced from time to time that fighting has taken place between Armenian and Ottoman troops, and it appears clear that the Turkish march eastward has been considerably hindered.

In spite of enemy propaganda and betrayal by the Tartars, the Armenians are determined to fight to the death for their national cause and the defence of their country. At an enthusiastic meeting held at Tiflis, the President of the Armenian Assembly said:

"If we are to perish, let us perish with honor."

On the following day the Armenian trade unions passed a resolution that all able-bodied persons be enrolled, while the students and school boys also met and declared that the battlefield was the place where they would continue their studies.

#### ALL SUBSTITUTES AT LEIPZIG FAIR

Washington, May 22.—Official despatches received today giving accounts of the great Leipzig Fair said that the fair was largely an exhibition of substitutes, especially in the metals sections, only the porcelain makers showing their old-time products. Dolls were shown with hair made of spun glass. Tea made from strawberry leaves and herbs was exhibited, and said to have an excellent taste, but even five or six cups failed to produce the refreshing exhilaration of the real article. It has been named "German tea." Pepper was surprisingly well imitated, marmalades were made from vegetables instead of fruit. Soap was a combination of oil from berries and pumicestone, having effective cleansing qualities, but lacking the characteristic of a creamy lather. Two concentric rings with small springs between were offered for pneumatic bicycle tires, causing one correspondent to remark sorrowfully that "they are very serviceable on asphalt pavements, but are not exactly noiseless or easy riding."

**A White Kid.**  
Ladies!! See our new American all white kid shoe.—Family Shoe Store.

#### POLICE COMMISSION DISCUSS MANY THINGS

Idlers Had Better Look Out and Get Busy—Motor Speeding is to be Restricted and Blind-Pigs Pinched.

The regular meeting of the Police Commission was called for yesterday afternoon, when many matters of public importance were discussed freely. Chief Vickers presented his report for the month of April, which showed that of the forty-two cases brought before the magistrate, thirty-four convictions had been obtained. The fines collected amounted to some \$808, of which \$400 was claimed by the Dominion.

The matter of salaries of the police force was brought up by Commissioner Macdonald. In view of the increased and continuously increasing cost of living, notwithstanding the increasing number of controllers, he moved that the three constables' salaries be increased to \$120 per month, to date from the 1st of May. This was agreed to.

Commissioner Macdonald also referred to a statement which had been made by one of the lawyers in town to the effect that he did not expect to get justice in the police court, or something of that kind. He intimated that it had been brought to his attention that cases sometimes are discussed in the police office with the magistrate before the case comes before the court, and that the outcome of the cases are practically decided before the trial.

"I don't believe it," interjected Mr. Peters. "I have occasion to go to the magistrate in all cases, and to give him details, but as far as discussing the case further, it is not so. If I or the chief, went to the magistrate behind the back of the other side and tried to influence his judgment, that would be wrong."

"I am informed that the result is known before some cases come into court," repeated Commissioner Macdonald. "I want this stopped, if it is going on."

"It is not going on," returned Mr. Peters. "I absolutely deny this statement. We have a highly honorable magistrate. I often speak to him about cases. I have occasion to do so, but not regarding the judgment."

"The police have to be protected from things of this kind," went on Commissioner Macdonald. "It is our duty. We will do ours, and others must do theirs."

"Then if you want to protect the police, the chief's private room ought to be restored. There is no place at present where I can discuss matters with him in privacy, since his room was taken over."

Protecting the police brought the query from Commissioner Hill as to why a charge had been altered this week from interfering with the police while on duty, to common assault, which was a very different thing. "There are doubtless a lot of men in this town prepared to take a wallop at the police for \$15," said Commissioner Hill. "They would also be quite pleased to take a wallop at the commissioners at the same price. Now I don't propose to take any wallops. We want no roughnecks in this town to get by." The details of the case then were given, which have already been published. There seemed to be some dubiety as to whether the police officers had freely agreed to reduce this charge. Commissioner Hill pointed out that assaults upon the police cannot be paid for by money, and suggested that no alteration be made in any such charge in future. "It has been said that the police have no

#### BRITISH PRISONERS IN GERMANY GET HORRIBLE TREATMENT

(Special to The Daily News)

London, May 23.—The Times gives prominence to further authenticated reports of atrocities, systematic tortures and cold-blooded murders of British prisoners in Germany, in which the sum total of the evidence is incredibly inhuman. There is an instance of a British soldier at Minden, who was deliberately shot dead because a dozen Britishers did not want to draw their ration of the filthy, undrinkable stuff served as coffee. At Merzberg, a number of seriously wounded British soldiers were, after vain protests, forced to walk for twelve hours a day.

#### VICTORIA FACED WITH TWO STRIKES

Victoria, May 23.—Victoria is faced with two strikes, one involving ten thousand shipyard workers, and the other the entire fire fighting force in the city.

Refusing to accept the Murphy award in its entirety, the Labor organizations, through the Metal Trades Council, yesterday presented Mr. R. P. Butchart, director of the wooden shipbuilding on the Pacific coast for the Imperial Munitions Board, an ultimatum.

friends, and I think it time that the police had friends."

#### Automobile Speeding.

Commissioner Hill brought up the matter of the excessive speed of automobiles in the city, particularly on 11th Avenue. The cars just toot when approaching the hill, and any children playing on the streets have just to fall off onto the muskget to get out of the way quick enough. Mayor McClymont agreed that the rate of speed by some of the business and professional men in the city was disgraceful. "There are no playgrounds," went on the mayor, "and the streets are the only places for the children to play, and some day there is something going to happen. However, I have certain proposals for the City Council to deal with."

#### Increasing Traffic.

The increasing automobile traffic up Fulton Street in the direction of Comox Avenue was also brought to the attention of the commission. After being silent for several months, the night was again full of noises between 10 p. m. and 2 a. m. Commissioner Macdonald moved that the Commission be supplied with a list showing the owners and occupiers of the houses on Comox. Commissioner Hill also moved that on any occasion when a conviction was obtained regarding the keeping of a disorderly house, that the owner and agent be prosecuted as well.

#### Blind Pigs.

That whisky was being sold in town was known to the commission. They also knew the price. It was \$7 and \$9. The chief also knew, and was awaiting just a little evidence to complete his case.

#### Idlers.

Anyone, no matter of what nationality, must go to work, and everyone in town must get some useful occupation, or get out. It is not enough that a person be occupied merely, but the occupation must be useful to the community. There were several persons in town at the present moment who were better otherwise employed, and they will receive attention.

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#### HOW HOUSEKEEPERS MAY CUT DOWN COSTS

A meeting of the general committee of the publicity section of the Natural Resources Department organized by the Food Board in town, was held last evening in the Board of Trade rooms, Mr. D. G. Stewart, the district chairman, presiding. The chief matter which the meeting had before it was a letter from the mayor in which he brought up the matter of a cash and carry system or alternatively a plan of community delivery of goods from the retailers to the consumers, thereby cutting down the retailers' expenses considerably, and consequently, the costs of food to the consumer.

This is one of the things which has been engaging attention in many towns for some time past, and in some places instituted successfully. In Prince Rupert nearly every store possesses its own delivery car, and it is no uncommon sight to see several cars not fully laden covering practically the same route. It has been felt that this was an instance where economy might be practiced without decreasing efficiency, and at the same time releasing experienced drivers for more necessary employment.

It is also possible that the cash and carry system might be practiced in Prince Rupert very much more, which would help out considerably in the restricting of free deliveries to certain specified weights of goods. With the costs of delivery cut out, or largely reduced, it will be possible for the storekeeper to sell just so much cheaper, which the consumer will appreciate. And under the new system of licences, the storekeepers' books will be always available to be checked up, and in any case of undue profits being taken, the storekeeper is liable to lose his licence, and thus simply be put out of business.

The communication from the mayor will be discussed at a meeting of the retailers concerned to be called for next week. Mr. George Munro and Mr. H. Atkins were the representatives of the particular trades immediately concerned, and the further arrangements remain in their hands.

#### OBJECT ATTAINED IN PALESTINE OPERATIONS

London, May 22.—Recent operations in Palestine and Mesopotamia are regarded as entirely successful by the British General Staff.

The main object of Gen. Allenby's operations in Palestine have been largely realized. His object was not merely to occupy a large territory east of the Jordan, but to draw Turkish troops from the south and so ease the situation for the Arabs. This has been done to a marked extent and the Arabs have taken full advantage of the opportunity by raiding the Hadjaz railway at various places until now the entire railway is virtually out of commission. The German troops still in the south have lost their artery of supplies and are living on dates and whatever else they can obtain locally.

In Mesopotamia, Gen. Marshall's operations have been equally successful, although the British columns are competing against nature as well as against the Turks, whose policy of running away increases the difficulty. Gen. Marshall has been successful in diverting a number of Turkish from the Caspian Sea enterprise.

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#### IRELAND WONDERS WHAT AMERICANS ARE THINKING NOW

(Special to The Daily News.)

Dublin, May 23.—"What does America think?" is the question which all schools of Irish opinion have been asking since the arrest of the Sinn Fein leaders. Every faction of the press claims the support of American opinion and each section quotes freely whatever American comment it can collect in support of its own particular viewpoint.

#### AT THE WESTHOLME

June Caprice, one of the daintiest of film actresses, will be seen in the title role of the play to be screened at the Westholme Theatre this evening. As "Patsy" June Caprice is charming as ever and her many admirers will be still further delighted with her rare acting in this play. There is something delightful in the manner in which she portrays the part of "Patsy," the poor little country girl at first, and throughout all her futhorer experiences. Then, there is the added attraction of Billie Burke. She will appear in the fourteenth chapter of "Gloria's Romance," the serial story which has not lost any popularity through this serial, and is an attractive as ever. Tonight's chapter is in two parts, and is of such a quality that will be greatly enjoyed.

Another specially good programme has also been arranged for Friday, when the star actress Ethel Barrymore will appear in "Final Judgment," which is a play of exceptional power. A two-reel Fox comedy, of the kind which has been appreciated so much for several Fridays past, will also be displayed, as well as a splendid Gazette, showing the details of the great disaster at Halifax, when that town was ruined by the explosion of the munitions ship.

#### KAISER WILHELM HAS ROCK-LIKE CONFIDENCE

Amsterdam, May 20.—"I have rock-like confidence that my people will be equal to the great tasks of the future," said Emperor Wilhelm when inspecting the graves of soldiers during his recent visit to Aix La Chappelle. "The soldier who has struggled through the iron time of the world war will be a teacher and leader to the growing youths at home in building up and consolidating the re-born empire."

Constable Evans, of the Provincial Police Dept., took a man named K. H. Jackson into custody yesterday, and went with him to Granby, for the preliminary hearing. The charge is obtaining money under false pretences.

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