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CANADA SEIZES TWENTY MILLION BUSHELS WHEAT

Government Commanders All Wheat in Elevators From Ft. Williams to the Sea—Is Move to Get Hold of Wheat and Ship Before Navigation Closes—Fair Prices Promised.

WINNIPEG, Man., Nov. 29.—Suspension of wheat trading on the Winnipeg grain exchange, as a result of the government order commencing twelve to fifteen million bushels of wheat, probably will be of short duration.

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—Awaiting the opening of the board of trade this morning, Chicago grain dealers discussed the action of the Canadian government late Saturday in commandeering nearly twenty million bushels of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 northern wheat in elevators from Fort William to the sea.

An official statement from Ottawa said the price would be fairly adjusted and dealers promptly paid.

Still Large Quantity It is estimated that there is still in the hands of farmers and dealers in western Canada about 130,000,000 bushels available for export out of a total crop of about 350,000,000 bushels in the Dominion.

George E. Marcy, president of the Armour Grain company here, predicted that the Canadian government's action would release greater quantities of wheat for immediate delivery and thereby bring about a drop, if anything, in prices.

Experts said the price of grain had been kept down so far this year for two reasons. The first, they said, is the enormous supply both in the United States and Canada, and second, the absence of competitive bidding.

Move to Get Supply "Evidently the action of the Canadian government is just a move to get hold of the wheat and ship it to the seaboard before the price rises and before navigation closes for the winter," said Mr. Marcy.

Wheat Jumps in Price Wheat jumped in price today as a result of the Canadian government's seizure of twenty million bushels.

Reactions from top figures quickly took place. Fall's were to a large extent held in check by opinions industriously circulated that the English government would probably do all of the British, French and Italian business.

The market here opened excited with December delivery at 105 to 106, as against 103 1/2 at the close Saturday and with May at 107 to 108 1/2, as against 106 to 106 1/2.

Sellers were scattered, although one of the largest firms boldly took (Continued on page two.)

BRITAIN DENIES SEIZURE OF WHEAT

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The official press bureau made the following statement:

"With reference to the announcement from Ottawa on November 28 that the Canadian government had commandeered 16,000,000 bushels of wheat at the request of the British government, the board of agriculture states that the English government has made no such request and that at present they have no information on the subject.

KAISER'S MASTER PLOTTER



Captain K. Boy-Ed

FIRE DESTROYS HOTELS OF AVALON CATALINA ISLAND

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 29.—Fire which destroyed the principal business houses of Avalon, port of Santa Catalina island, threatened the entire destruction of the town early today.

The fire, which lighted the 23-mile channel lying between the island and the mainland, began before 5 o'clock while the inhabitants still were asleep.

From the higher points in Los Angeles, nearly fifty miles from the island, the glare was plainly visible before dawn.

The wireless operator at Avalon sent out calls for help. One fire boat already was at the island.

CARRANZA TO PUT LID UPON JUAREZ

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—General Carranza's agency here today announced receipt of advices from Mexico City that the race track concession at Tin Juana, Lower California, which is conducted by wealthy Americans, most of them Californians, and also the race track-concession at Juarez, probably would be declared forfeited because they were obtained from the Villa state government.

WOMEN OF BERLIN REPORTED RIOTING

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Reuter's Telegram company's Amsterdam correspondent forwards the following: "The Telegraf is informed on good authority that serious rioting took place in Berlin last Saturday, in which several thousand women gathered before the imperial castle and demanded the return of their husbands from the front and improvement in food conditions.

KITCHENER WELCOMED BACK BY FRANCE

PARIS, Nov. 29.—Field Marshal Earl Kitchener, British secretary of state for war, arrived in Paris from Italy today.

ASK IF BOY-ED IS CONSIDERED AS CONSPIRATOR

Defense in Hamburg Liner Case Calls on Prosecution for Information—Government Takes No Position is Reply—Merely Submitting All the Facts in Case.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—The government was called on today to state whether it considered Captain Karl Boy-Ed, German naval attaché, in the light of a conspirator with Hamburg-American line officials in dispatching relief ships to German cruisers at sea early in the war.

The demand was made by William Rand, Jr., counsel for Dr. Karl Buecz and his three subordinate officials in the course of their trial for alleged conspiracy in the United States district court here.

"The government has taken no position in that matter," replied Roger B. Wood, assistant district United States attorney in charge of the prosecution, when pressed by Mr. Rand for a reply.

"We have brought nobody's name into this case unless it had to be brought in. All that the government has wanted to do is to submit all the facts in the case bearing on this indictment."

After examining several witnesses who testified to minor matters at the afternoon session, the government rested its case.

Counsel for the defense made a motion that the indictment be dismissed and the court, adjourning the trial until tomorrow, announced that it would hear arguments on this motion at the forenoon session tomorrow. The jury was excused until 2 p. m. tomorrow, when the defense will present its evidence in case the motion to dismiss should be denied.

ANTI-ALIEN LAW UPHOLD BY FEDERAL SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The Nebraska drainage law today was upheld as constitutional by the supreme court.

The South Dakota state tax imposed in 1910 on the Wells Fargo and the American Express companies was held invalid today by the supreme court.

The New York anti-alien labor law of 1909, under which it was made compulsory to employ only citizens in the construction of public works was today held constitutional by the supreme court.

The court in its printed opinion declared that the state as guardian and trustee of the people's money may prescribe the conditions upon which it will permit public money to be spent either by itself or by its governmental agencies, such as the city.

New York subway contractors contested the law, claiming that they could not continue work under it.

VILLA'S WHEREABOUTS AT PRESENT UNKNOWN

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—General Obregon, commanding the Carranza troops at Nogales, Mex., has promised Major General Funston to co-operate with the American forces to suppress marauding bands of Villa soldiers who have been raiding in American territory since they were driven out of Nogales.

No definite information as to the present whereabouts of Villa's main force has reached General Funston.

Quiet Night on French Front

PARIS, Nov. 29.—Generally speaking the night passed quietly on the French front, according to an announcement made this afternoon by the French war office.

Monarch Who Keeps Greece Neutral



King Constantine of Greece who says Greece will maintain neutrality without adopting measures contrary to the interests of the entente powers.

WARSAW SUFFERS FROM STARVATION AND DEVASTATION

WARSAW, Nov. 29, via London, Nov. 29.—Hundreds of thousands of the civil population in the Warsaw district of Poland are suffering for want of food.

The situation is more serious because of the immense number of persons thrown out of work by the almost complete paralysis of Polish industries.

Such flour as is now on hand is being distributed by the Germans under the bread card system, but only potatoes are available in quantities, while there is an acute shortage of dried vegetables, meat fats and condensed milk.

Suffering is especially acute among the families of Russian reservists who formerly received regular payments from the government.

The country districts of Poland are battle-scarred and barren. In the Warsaw governmental district alone it is estimated that 4000 villages were burned by the Russians.

Thousands already have died of starvation and disease. In Warsaw and Lodz women rise at 3 o'clock in the morning to get good places in the bread lines.

GREECE READY TO SATISFY DEMANDS

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The Greek government is ready to discuss the propositions made by the entente powers and satisfy all demands which will not compromise its neutrality, says an Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

PARIS, Nov. 29.—The Greek government's reply to the latest note of the entente powers was delivered on Sunday, says a Havas dispatch from Athens.

The note was in response to the Greek government's request for precise information as to what was wanted.

CIVILIANS FLEE MONASTIR AS BULGARS NEAR

Serbs Declared to Be Unable Long to Withstand Enemies in Battle Now in Progress—Winter Sets In in Balkans—Serbs Retreating Into Montenegro and Albania.

ATHENS, Nov. 29.—Monastir has been evacuated by the civilian population. There is a prospect that the Serbian town will be occupied by Bulgarians, as it seems likely, according to reports received here that the Serbs will not be able to resist long in the battle now in progress between Priep and Monastir.

The northern Serbian army continues to retire toward the Albanian town of Scutari.

Early Winter Sets In PARIS, Nov. 29.—The effect of the unusually early winter in the Balkans is emphasized in a message from Saloniki to the Havas Agency.

BERLIN, Nov. 29.—Army headquarters announced today that in the Serbian campaign 502 cannon were captured.

Bulgarians Advance

PARIS, Nov. 29.—A further advance by Bulgarian troops in the direction of Monastir, in southwestern Serbia is reported in a dispatch filed yesterday at Saloniki to the Havas Agency.

"The entry of Bulgarians into Monastir is considered possible," the dispatch says.

British Still Hopeful

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The British public is not inclined to grant the German contention that the Serbian campaign of the central powers has been brought to a successful conclusion.

The hope is expressed here that the wintry weather will give time for reinforcing the Anglo-French troops until they are strong enough to assume the offensive before the invaders have consolidated their positions in Serbia.

Retreat in Albania Further to the north, it is reported the Serbian armies, divided into two sections are retreating into Albania and Montenegro.

The entente ministers at Athens are said to have received the reply of Greece to their second note.

KAISER WILHELM VISITS FRANZ-JOSEPH

BERLIN, Nov. 29, by wireless to Sayville—Emperor William arrived in Vienna today and paid a personal visit to the Austro-Hungarian monarch, Emperor Francis Joseph at Schoenbrunn castle.

The German emperor was received at the railroad station, says the Overseas News Agency, by Archduke Charles Francis, the heir to the throne, and Archduke Franz Salvatore and Archduke Charles Stephen.

The meeting between the emperors, who had not seen each other since the outbreak of the war, took place in Schoenbrunn castle and was a most cordial one.

PARIS, Nov. 29.—The new campaign of the Franco-British forces in the German colony of Kamerun, Western Africa, has resulted in further advances following the capture of Tibati, announced last week.

KERN ELECTED FLOOR LEADER FOR DEMOCRATS

Indianan Authorized to Name New Senate Steering Committee—Practically All Members of Both Houses on Hand—Owens to Submit Cloture on Debate Resolutions.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Senator Kern of Indiana was re-elected chairman of the democratic senate caucus and floor leader by unanimous vote today of the caucus of senate democrats.

Selection of a vice chairman, president pro tempore of the senate, committee assignments and the report of the special committee on revision of the rules were postponed until Wednesday.

Senator Kern was authorized to name a new steering committee of eight members to be approved by the conference Wednesday.

Chairman Owen of the special committee to revise the rules will submit a report Wednesday recommending a modified form of cloture on debates.

All Members Present

With senate democrats in caucus and the house ways and means committee in session today, organization of the sixty-fourth congress, which convenes a week hence, got under way.

One of the most important questions which awaited the consideration of the senate caucus was revision of the rules to provide for cloture of debate.

The re-election of Senator Kern as majority leader; Senator Clarke of Arkansas as president pro tempore and Senator Lewis of Illinois as party "whip" was forecast.

House Problem Difficult

House democrats are confronted with a more difficult task because of the reduced democratic and increased republican membership.

Before the house ways and means committee, Republican Leader Mann appeared and stated what the republicans wanted in representation.

It was decided to leave selections to Mr. Mann himself, or the republican caucus. The republicans will caucus Thursday night and the democrats will pass upon their own selections Saturday night.

BILLARD FAITHFUL FRIEND TO NEW HAVEN

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—John L. Billard, a Meriden coal dealer, was such a good friend to the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, Charles S. Mellen testified today, that "if my directors had asked me to take a pound of flesh out of him he would have willingly gone off bleeding."

This characterization of the man who held the New Haven's shares of Boston & Maine stock came during testimony at the trial of the eleven former New Haven directors to the effect that Billard willingly gave up a nominal profit of \$2,750,000 for an actual profit of \$150,000.

The New Haven settled with him for \$150,000, but he gave up \$300,000 of it to Frank Brown, a Connecticut lawyer, who had helped to get the charter of the Billard company.