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**Grand Duke Michael** 

London, March 15-Andrew Bonar Law,

House of Commons tonight that Emperor

Nicholas had abdicated and that Grand Duke

regent. The soldiers sided with the Duma,

but there was no serious loss of life. The

chancellor added that it was comforting to

know that the movement was not directed at

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## POLICE HEADS IN SECRET SESSION **EXCHANGE WORDS**

Chief Dunn and Superintendent Kugel Go to Mat Over Recent Shakeup in Morals Squad.

"THIRD PROBE DEGREE'

Detective Holden Exonerated From Charge of Assaulting Waverly, a Prisoner.

#### ANOTHER SLEUTH REDUCED

Harry Askwith has been detailed to the police morals squad, to take the place of Charles Walker, who goes back into uniform.

C. P. Fimple will not join the morals squad, as announced by Superintendent Kugel on Wednesday morn-

Ing.

Alfred C. Anderson will succeed John Barta on the morals squad.

John Holden was exonerated from the charge of assaulting W. Waverly, prisoner, and J. J. Gaughan, detective, has been reduced to a beat on the grounds that he intimidated Waverly.

New Developments Expected. Other developments are expected in police affairs. Yesterday afternoon Superintendent Kugel, Chief Dunn and Captain Dempsey held an executive session in Mr. Kugel's office, the meeting last two and one-half hours. The Holden-Gaughan situation was first disposed of. Mr. Kugel stated that Gaughan was the man who told Captain Heitfelt that Holden struck Waverly, which Holden and Waverly both denied. Wednesday morning the superintendent of police announced that Holden had been suspended five days, but as soon as Chief Dunn returned from Washington, D. C., he looked into the matter. Holden and Gaughan appeared before the police officials during the early part of the conference. Other developments are expected in

Superintendent Kugel Riled.

"I expect my orders to be carried out," were words heard through the loor. They were addressed by Superintendent Kugel to Chief Dunn and the tone of voice of the superintendent was loud and serious.

"And if you expect your orders to be carried out I will have to have the men I want to carry out those orders," replied Chief Dunn.

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Then the conversation became more subdued. Neither the superintendent nor chief would enter into detail as to all that transpired, but it developed that Dunn wanted Askwith instead of Fimple on the morals squad. The chief intimated that other changes were in prospect, but he was not eady to announce them.

"I am Responsible."

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be kept on ight and he asked newspaper men if they knew of any way in which the lid could be fastened down any tighter than it is at present.

"If there is any way; I want to "If there is any way; I want to know it," said the chief.

Dunn to Be "Boss."

Chief Dunn will detail his own men
and will be held to "strict accountability" for conditions. Superintendent Kugel will not interfere any more in transferring men from details made by the chief. That is the edict.

According to the tenor of the con-erence, the title, "Chief," is to mean what the word conveys. Chief Dunn 5 to have full responsibility and all hat the superintendent wants is re-sults. According to statements of all concerned that arrangement is agree-table all around.

#### The Weather

Nebraska -- Rain or snor

1917.

Indicates trace of precipitation L. A. WELSH. Meterologist

# Brotherhoods Call CZARINA HIDES; FEARS PEOPLE Nicholas Abdicates; Strike for Saturday Wilson to Take Hand

New York, March 15.—Representatives of the four railroad brotherhoods announced at 4:15 o'clock, after rejecting a counter proposition made by the railroads that a general strike would begin at 6 o'clock GARRISONS IN Saturday night.

The brotherhoods presented to the conference of railroad managers a demand that the provisions of the Adamson law be put into effect at once. The railroads declined and submitted a counter proposition.

The counter proposal of the railroads was that the entire controversy be submitted to the Goethals eighthour commission. This proposition was rejected by the brotherhoods and the announcement was made that the strike call would go into effect.

#### CONFERENCE ADJOURNS.

The joint conference between the railroad brotherhood chiefs and managers adjourned at 5:15 o'clock with the announcement from W. G. Lee of the brother- Japan Will Send hoods that there would not be another conference. He refused to say at this time what action had been taken.

Mr. Lee promised a statement later. He added that Elisha Lee, chairman of the railroad managers, when the train hearing the body of the late George W. Guthrie, Amerika Lee, and the late George W. Guthrie, would also make a statement later.

What Brotherhoods Asked.

Chicago, March 15.-It was said here this afternoon by one in a position to know that the brotherhoods' compromise proposition calls for an eight-hour day with pay for only nine hours instead of ten, as origi-nally demanded. It would establish a proportionate rate where pay is based on mileage made. The same authority said that the managers probably would accept the

"I am Responsible."

"You know I am responsible for this police department and I am tired of having the other commissioners and the newspaper after me," was another statement made by the superintendent of police to the chief.

Mr. Kugel declared that he will hold the chief responsible for carrying out orders, one of which is to keep the "lid" on.

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Confidence was expressed by au-ministration officials that a solution would be found to prevent a strike. Secretary Wilson of the Department of Labor remained here, but kept in close touch with developments. If a strike should become imminent, it is understood the president will

it is understood the president it is understood the president will make a peremptory demand on both sides that they reach the settlement in the public interests because of the grave international situation.

While the statements were being prepared, Joseph H. Hartigan, a New York City official, who was waiting for the outcome of the conference, announced that he had received a com-

nounced that he had received a communication from Elisha Lee munication from Elisha Lee in respect to what service New York City could expect if a strike shold occur. Mr. Hartigan said that he had been informed that "if a strike should occur" the roads would endavor to protect fod and ful shipments to the best of their ability. He said that Elisha Lee advised him that he had been informed that a strike on some rail. formed that a strike on some rail-roads of the United States "was to be

called on Saturday afternoon A Final Disagreement.

H. Smith, president of the New York Central railroad, informed that there had been a final disagreement, issued a statement directed to his men urging them not to strike and prom-ising to abide by any award which might be made by the Goethals' commight be made by the Goethals' commission as a government mediation
hoard, should the Adamson law be
declared unconstitutional, Mr. Smith's
plea was based on the "critical situation" confronting the country.

It was semiofficially announced that
all freight employes on the New York
Central system, Baltimore & Ohio,
and Erie would cease work at 6
o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Program for Strike

Program for Strike. A definite program for a progressive strike of freight yard men and engine hustlers, it was learned, was sub-mitted to the railroad managers by the brotherhod chiefs. The strike will the brotherhod chiefs. The strike will begin, it was declared at 6 p. nt. central time, Saturday, March 17, on the New York Central lines east and west, the Nickel Plate, Baltimore & Ohio, in the yards of the eighteen of the Chiego, represented by the roads in Chicago, represented by the centives in favor of their proposition Brotherhod of Railroad Transmens' (Contined on Page Two, Column Two.)

switchmen's committee in the yards of the St. Louis Terminal Railroad association and in the Merchants Bridge and Wiggins Ferry yards.

The strike will extend on Sunday afternoon to the following roads: Group of Northwestern roads. Southern Railway, Norfolk & Western, Virginian, and Chesapeake & Ohio. The time when the walkout will extend to the other lines was uncertain, it was said, but the men will be called out in groups every twelve or twenty-four hours.

President Notified.

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Washington, March 15.—President Wilson was notified immediately of the calling of the strike and he began consideration of the steps which might be taken to avert it.

Wilson Will Appeal.

The general belief in official circles is that the president will make an ap-peal to the patriotism of the men-urging them not to tie up transportation facilities with the country fac

tation facilities with the country facing a great international crisis.

There was every indication that the
presdent would not call the representatives of the two sides to Washington again as he did last year when
the strike was threatened.

Although the president has been
watching the siaution closely, he had
not alwaydowed hose, that a compro-

not abandoned hope that a compro-mise would be reached, and so far as revealed had made no definite plans for intervening.

No statement was forthcoming

vent paralysis of transportation facili-ties and consequent weakening of the nation's resources in the international crisis. The general opinion among officials seems to be that the presi-dent could do little beyond appealing to the patriotism of both sides. A provision to empower him to take over the roads in an emergency was among the administration recommer dations for railway legislation which failed at the last session of congress

New Haven Men First. New Haven, Conn., March 15.-Th brotherhood men employed in the freight service of the New York. New Haven & Hartford railroad will be raven & Hartford railroad will be called out first under the strike orders received here, it is learned. 
This order will be effective Sunday 
night, March 18, at 7 o'clock, eastern 
time, on the New Haven's lines. Milk trains will be excepted. If by Thurs-day night, March 22, there is no change in the situation, men in the passenger service will then be called

Ultimatum of Unions

brotherhoods during an hour's joint conference at noon today presented to the national conference committee of the railroad managers their ultimatum calling, it was understood, for the immediate granting of the eighthour day and pro rata pay for over-

# Empress Believed to Be in

of Populace, it Is

WAS GERMAN PRINCESS

Strikes in Sympathy With Revolution Called in Interior City.

REVOLT chancellor of the exchequer, announced in the

London, March 15 .- According to information received here the Russia people bave been most distrustful dur ing recent events, of the personal influence of Empress Alexandra, She was supposed to exercise the greatest minimum over Emperor Nicholas. It Michael Alexandrovitch had been appointed was supposed to exercise the greatest is stated that her whereabouts is no not known, but it is believed she in seclusion, fearing the populace. The Empress Alexandra before her marriage to the emperor of Russia, in 1894, was the German Princess Alix of Messe-Darinstadt.

Garrison Revolts.

Petrograd, March 17.—The garrison of Kharkov has formally joined the revolution and is supporting the provisional government, Strikes in sympathy with the movement have been called in factories and on the street ear lines.

street car lines,
Kharkov is the capital of the province of the same name. It is 48 miles south of Moscow and has population of about 200,000.

## Body of Guthrie Home On Warship

Yokohama, March 15 .- There was can ambassador to Japan, arrived. The funeral cortege, escorted by the mayor and a guard of honor, passed through the silent streets, which were crowded with many thousands of Japanese, Business was suspended in all public buildings as the coffin,

all public buildings as the coffin, wrapped in the American flag, was borne past. After a brief service the casket was placed in the mortuary chapel of the hospital.

Mrs. Guthrie, attended by George Post Wheeler, American charge d'affairs at Tokio, the embassy staff and a delegation of officers from the United States Asiatic squadron, was present at the services. The Japanese government has invited Mrs. Guthrie to accompany the body on the Japanese warship which will convoy it to the United States.

The honors tendered the late ambassador are the greatest ever ac-

bassador are the greatest ever ac-corded a foreigner by Japan and have made a deep impression on Ameri-

#### All Canada Wheat Will Be Taken for British Government

former city councilman and promi-nent Scottish Rite Mason, engaged in the insurance business, died suddenly of heart failure at 2:10 o'clock yester-Ottawa, Ont., March 15.—The government has received word that the Canadian council of agriculture, meeting at Regina, has decided that the whole crop of wheat in Canada shall be taken for the British government.

No statement was forthcoming from the White House, but it was well understood that some move would be made as soon as officials were fully advised.

It is a moot question what steps the government could take to prevent paralysis of transportation facilities and consequent weakening of the nation's resources in the international crisis. The general opinion among officials seems to be that the president could do little beyond appealing buying from the farmers and insurecy, made several days ago when he finished the preparation of manu-script for the principal address at the annual banquet of Scottish Rite Ma-sons next Thursday. To friends he said: "Somehow I have a feeling that I will never deliver this speech."

ouving from the farmers and insurtransportation to the seaboard.

#### Germans' Retreat On Vaster Scale Than Was Thought

London, March 15.-Brigadier General Frederick B. Maurice, chief di-rector of military operations at the British war office, today told the Associated Press that the withdrawal of the Germans from the Bucquoy line, on the Somme front, was taking place faster than anticipated and that the whole new light might soon be on the reverse side of the Bapaume ridge.

#### Preacher Who Burned Flag is Sent to Jail

New York, March 15 .- The maxiflag by burning it in a "melting pot" in the yard of the edifice. August H. Henkel and Edward Ames, convicted with him were sent to jail each for thirty days. The jury had recommended clemency for White.

### securing peace by Russia. BERLIN REPORTS RUSS REVOLUTION

Committee of Duma, Backed Heart Failure Takes Promiby Garrison and Citizens, nent Mason, Insurance Man Takes Charge of the and Former Councilman. Government.

M. F. FUNKHOUSER

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orty-first street. His death fulfilled his own proph-

Falls Forward Dead,

Mr. Funkhouser's death was an un

Woman of Ninety-Five

Bois, Idaho, March 15.—At the age of 95 years, Mrs. Ragnihild Ol-son of Nampa seeks to be naturalized as a citizen of the United States. Her

application is prompted by a desire to establish clear title to land home-steaded by herself and husband, who died helore the patent was issued. Mrs. Olson is a native of Norway and came to the United States in 1882.

Millard Fillmore Funkhouser,

DIES SUDDENLY

HAD PROPHESIED DEATH QUOTES NEW MANIFESTO

Berlin, March 15 .- (By Wireless to Sayville.)-There has been a successful revolution in Russia, according to the Overseas News agency, (the official German news bureau).

The following statement was given

out today by the news agency: "The following report was issued in Petrograd on March 14 about the successful Russian revolution: 'The population of Petrograd, incensed by the complete disorganization of trans-port services and of alimentation, had been irritated for a long time against the government and had become restthe government and had become rest-less. The population held the govern-ment responsible for all it sufferings. The government, expecting trouble, took measures on a large scale in order to maintain order, and among other things ordered dissolution of the council of the empire and the Duma

Appeal of New Government.

"The Duma, however, on March 11 decided not to accept the imperial ukase, but to continue its meetings. The Duma immediately instituted an

The Duma immediately instituted an executive committee, presided over by M. Rodzianko, president of the Duma, That committee declared itself to be a provisional government and issued the following appeal:

""Considering the difficulties in regard to domestic tranquility which are due to the policy of the former government, the executive committee of the Duma feels compelled to take public order in its own hands. Fully conscious of the responsibility arising from this decision, the committee expresses the certainty that the populaday in bed at his home, 136 North presses the certainty that the popula-tion and the army will lend their as-sistance for the difficult task of creat-ing a new government, which will ac-cept the wishes of the people and enjoy their confidence.

Cabinet Ministers in Jail,

expected shock to his family. He had been in Iowa Wednesday adjust-ing the insurance on a fire loss and returned Wednesday night. He passed "The executive committee rested itself upon the population of the cap-ital, which was in full revolution, and upon the army, completely united with the revolutionists. It arrested a bad night, but was in bed, talking business with his life-long friend and business associate, C. A. Patterson. He was reaching forward to take a paper proffered, when he gasped and fell forward dead.

with the revolutionists. It arrested all the ministers and sent them to jail. The Duma declared that the ministerial cabinet no longer existed. "'Today, on the third day of the revolution, the capital, where order is returning swiftly, is completely in the hands of the executive committee of the Duma and of the treory which of the Duma and of the troops which garrisoned Petrograd and numbered more than 30,000, which troops support the revolution. Deputy Engel-hard, colonel on the great general staff, has been appointed commander of Petrograd by the committee.

profered, when he gasped and fell forward dead.

He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. George Willsey of Idaho Falls, Idaho, and Miss Marian Funkhouser of Omaha, who is now visiting in Winter Park, Fla., and one son, Russell Funkhouser, a sophomore at Central High school. Two step-children, Robert and Adelaide Vance, also survive.

His two brothers, Dr. Robert Funkhouser, of St. Louis, and Major M. L. C. Funkhouser, former police superintedent of Chicago, have been notified, as well as other relatives, and funeral arrangements will be delayed pending word from them. "Yesterday evening the committee issued proclamations to the troops, railroads and banks asking them to resume their usual activities. Deputy Gronski was chosen by the Duma committee for provisional manage-ment of the Petrograd telegraphic tThis probably refers to the agency. (This probably refers to the semi-official Russian news agency.) Asks for Naturalization

Riots in Many Russian Cities. Stockholm, Wednesday, March 1-(By Berlin and Wireless to the As sociated Press to Tuckerton, March 15.)—Reports of serious disturbances in Russia are published in Swedish newspapers. The Tidningen of Sundsvall publishes a statement that a rail

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Civil Machinery Working. A telegrant received by the naval attache of the Russian embassy in Paris reported that the railways and public services in Petrograd had re-sumed work, said Mr. Bonar Law.

Relations With Duma. A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company, dated Wednesday night, says the British and French ambassa-dors established official business rela-tions with the executive committee of

the duma.

The dispatch adds that the Grand Deke Cyril informed the duma that he would place at its disposition the marines under his orders and afterward visited M. Rodziano in the duma and fold him that he was entirely at Rodziano so..... The correspondent says that the people of Moscow adhered to the revolutionary movement without bloodshed.

Many Join Movement.

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Telegraphing from Petrograd Wednesday evening, Reuter's correspondent says Kronstadt, the fortress and seaport at the head of the Gulf of Finland, twenty miles west of Petrograd, has joined the revolutionary movement. Two deputies, Pepelauff and Taskine, on instructions from the duma committee, proceeded to Kronstadt, where the troops placed themselves at the disposal of the duma.

M. Pepelauff was appointed commandant of Kronstadt, which is Russia's great naval station.

Three Days' Battle.

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Petrograd, March 15.—(Via London.)—After three days of battle between troops supporting it and those

opposed to it, a revolution was successfully effected in Petrograd.

The casualties probably did not exceed 500. It is reported that M. Protopopoff, minister of the interior. has been killed. Emperor Nicholas has been warned that the fate of dynasty depended upon sequiesence. The royal palace was besieged by revolutionary troops. The emperor

In the three days of fighting the troops opposed to the revolution were assisted by the police. The Duma joined hands with the revolution after being dissolved by the emperor, and declared that the existing government had been overthrown. The Duma resumed its sittings after it had sent the notification to the emperor of these developments, warning him that the fate of the dynasty depended on his acceptance of the new order of affairs.

fairs.

The city is now quiet. Perfect order prevails. So far as is known no foreigners were injured. All the ministers resigned, with the exception of M. Protopopoff. Former Premier Sturmer, Premier Golitzine and the head of the secret police were arrested. The jails were thrown open. The headquarters of the secret police

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