

NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

INTELLIGENCE HERE GATHERED COVERS WIDE AREA.

GREATER OR LESSER IMPORT

Includes What is Going On at Washington and in Other Sections of the Country.

WAR NEWS.

The United States government has sent a note to Great Britain protesting against interference with neutral mails.

None of the passengers or crew of the French coasting steamer Mira were saved when it was sunk as a result of a torpedo attack in the Mediterranean on May 16.

Sir Edward Grey told the British house of commons that he had been informed that the pope had requested Germany to abandon submarine warfare.

Sir Edward Grey made a declaration in the British house of commons, that it was impossible to open negotiations for peace under any conditions at this time.

According to the Austrian official statement, Italian prisoners so far captured total more than 13,000 officers and men. One hundred and seven guns also have been taken.

A Constantinople correspondent says that Field Marshal Lyman von Sanders is assembling a strong force of Turkish troops at Sivas, in Asiatic Turkey, to oppose the advance of the Russians.

The number of British fishing vessels destroyed since the beginning of the war by Great Britain's enemies, was given as 570 by Francis D. Ackland, financial secretary of the treasury in the House of Commons. The number of lives lost on these vessels was 500.

Probably never before have such sweeping powers been concentrated as are now granted Herr von Battenberg, the new food dictator of Germany. The dictator will be able to commandeer all foods and fodder and may even establish fixed per capita rations if necessary.

In moving the vote of credit for \$300,000,000 pounds sterling, in the British House of Commons, Premier Asquith commented that this was the eleventh vote since the beginning of the war, making a grand total of 2,382,000,000 pounds sterling, or over \$8,000,000,000.

GENERAL.

Organization of the first motorcycle company in the United States army has been completed at Fort Bliss, Texas.

War trade has made New York with in the last year the world's busiest port. The American city has exceeded by \$200,000,000 London's import and export business.

New York will help in restocking the zoological gardens of Antwerp, Belgium, according to a decision of the board of managers of the New York Zoological society.

Sergeant Harry Furman, machine gun company, Twenty-third infantry, was killed on American soil by Carranza soldiers and his body dragged to Mexican soil, was the report of the investigating board made to General George Bell in command at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Raymond Robbins of Chicago was selected as temporary chairman of the national convention of the progressive party at Chicago at a meeting of the executive committee of the progressive national committee.

Three steamers carrying a total of 21,000 tons of railroad equipment and war supplies consigned to the Russian government and valued at more than \$15,000,000, sailed from Seattle, Wash., for Vladivostok.

A prospective yield of 108,000,000 bushels of winter wheat in Kansas this year is forecasted in a report covering conditions up to May 17. Compared with a similar report issued at this time last year a depreciation of 28,000,000 bushels is shown. The shortage is believed to have been caused by the prevalence of the Hessian fly.

Robert Moore was instantly killed at Bannack, Mont., by his wife who almost severed his head from his body with an axe. Several hours later Mrs. Moore surrendered to the authorities. The tragedy is believed to have been the outcome of domestic quarrels.

With the appointment of Archbishop Jeremiah J. Hart of Manila to succeed the late Bishop Richard Scannell of Omaha, the diocese of Omaha becomes greatly enlarged in importance as a Catholic church center.

Miss Priscilla C. Dodd, aged 83, widow of General Levi A. Dodd, and the only woman who witnessed the hanging of Mrs. Mary E. Surratt in Washington, D. C., July 7, 1865, when the latter was found guilty as one of the plotters of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, died at Pittsburg, Pa.

Announcement has been made at Union Pacific headquarters in Omaha that approximately \$1,000,000 will be spent this year in improvements and betterment on the company lines between Kansas City and Denver.

Nine additional units of Texas troops have been authorized by Governor Ferguson to raise the Texas quota in federal service to 7,500 men.

Nine persons were killed and thirty-eight injured at Kemp City, Okla., by a tornado which swept a path three-quarters of a mile wide and five miles long.

Three persons, two white and one negro, were killed, and ten or more injured as the result of a tornado which struck Sunnyside and Songo, Alabama.

Twenty-five Mexican cowboys from the Hearst ranch at Badicora, Mexico, broke and scattered a newly formed gang of bandits near Madera, killing fifteen, wounding one and capturing six.

The short skirt will continue to be worn next fall, according to the report of the style committee of the National Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers' association adopted at the annual convention at Cincinnati.

Three hundred marines at Norfolk, and between 400 and 500 in Haiti were ordered to Santo Domingo to reinforce the American force policing the little republic.

Jolie Topsy Pauline De Kol, a 4-year-old Holstein cow, has just set a new world's milk production record for one year. Topsy produced 28,416 pounds of milk the last year, or 3,304 gallons. She beat the previous world's record by 1,671 pounds. The cow is owned by the city of Cleveland, Ohio.

A large hangar to house Rodman Wanamaker's big airship, the America, which will begin tests soon, preliminary to an attempt to cross the Atlantic, has been completed at the Atlantic coast aeronautical station at Norfolk, Va. The flight probably will be started in October or November.

SPORTING.

Arlie Mucks broke the world's record in the discus throw in the Wisconsin-Illinois meet at Madison, throwing the platter 155 feet 8 inches.

The British middleweight champion pugilist Pat O'Keefe, lost his match with Bandsman Blake, at the National Sporting club in London. Had O'Keefe won he would have gained thereby a

Ames won the Iowa Intercollegiate meet at Des Moines with 57 points; Drake 42; Grinnell, 19; Iowa, 18; Cornell, 8; Coe, 8; Highland Park, 6; Des Moines, 3; Morningside, 2; and Simpson, 2.

By a score of 73 1/2 to 48 1/2, Minnesota won the annual duck and field meet from the Nebraska Cornhuskers at Lincoln. The Gophers early took the lead and maintained it to the finish, taking all the track events except the 440-yard dash and the mile relay.

WASHINGTON.

The Interstate Commerce commission has ordered a hearing held in Omaha on July 10 on Omaha-Kansas rates and live stock weights.

Pensions will cost the American people \$6,000,000 less this year than last under the annual pension bill as reported by the appropriations committee.

The Carranza government has ordered 30,000 troops into the region south of the border to exterminate bandits, according to information received at the State department.

Returns from the income tax for the coming fiscal year are estimated at approximately \$120,000,000 in revised figures being compiled by the Treasury department.

The Hay-Chamberlain army bill has been passed by the house. The bill authorizes a standing army of 175,000 during peace times, which congress can cut down if it sees fit.

The economic situation in Mexico is extremely grave, according to official advices to the state department. The report declares an acute food shortage confronts the de facto government.

The Rock Island, Ill., arsenal is to be made one of the great munitions factories of the country under appropriations made by the house committee on appropriations, the plan to be perfected by the war department.

The senate committee on foreign relations recommended a favorable report on Senator Kern's resolution directing the state department to inquire regarding the safety of American citizens in Ireland in districts where martial law has been declared.

Combination rates on lumber from points in eastern Oregon on the Oregon-Washington railroad and Navigation company to Montana, South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota and Nebraska were found by the interstate commerce commission to be unreasonable and prejudicial.

According to an announcement at tempted frauds and evasions of the income tax law aggregating \$8,380,185 have been frustrated by the treasury department during the first nine months of the current fiscal year.

A resolution by Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska requesting the secretary of state to inform the senate as to the attitude of the British government concerning shipments of supplies to the people of Poland was recommended for passage by the foreign relations committee.

Secretary Daniels appealed to President Wilson to use his influence to save the navy's reserves in the California oil fields as a vital step in the campaign for adequate national defense.

CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

DATES FOR COMING EVENTS.

June 5 and 6—Pageant of Lincoln, presenting "The Gate City."
June 6-7-8—State Undertakers' Convention at Hastings.
June 5-6—Spanish War Veterans' State Convention at North Platte.
June 12 to 15—Trans-Mississippi Bakers' Ass'n convention at Omaha.
June 13-14-15—Annual convention of Nebraska Elks at Omaha.
June 13 to 16—State P. E. O. Convention at Alliance.
June 13-14-15—Great Western Handicap Tournament at Omaha.
June 13 to 15—Nebraska Pharmaceutical Convention at Hastings.
June 19-20-21-22—American Union of Swedish Singers, West. Div., concerts and convention at Omaha.
June 20 to 24—State Stockmen's convention at Alliance.
June 21 to 23—Fraternal Order of Eagles, state meeting at Lincoln.
June 28-29—International Auctioneers' Association Convention at Omaha.
July 3-4-5—Mid-Summer Race Meet at Kearney.
July 5 to 8—State Golf Tournament at Omaha.
July 10-11-12—Northwestern Hotel Men's Association Convention at Omaha.
July 10-11-12—Missouri Valley Veterinary association convention at Omaha.
July 25—Nebraska Democratic convention at Hastings.

J. W. Colbert of Weeping Water has a phenomenal beef-raising record. Just a few days ago he disposed of a bunch of steers on the South Omaha market that showed up with a record of more than 580 pounds average gain in five months, and the gain in price over what he paid for them was \$3.40 per hundred. He asserts he fed them snappd corn for the first two months, then shelled corn and alfalfa, with a little oil meal added the last two months.

The citizens of Chappell are raising \$2,000 to build a home in Lincoln for the Rev. E. J. Hayes, who suffered a brain hemorrhage which has affected his speech. This trouble and his age, nearly 70, make it certain that he can no longer carry the burden or do the work of a pastor.

A special election will be held at Wymore, June 3, for the purpose of voting on a proposition authorizing the board of education to issue \$45,000 bonds of which \$35,000 is for the erection of a new school building, and \$10,000 in repairing and refurbishing the old buildings.

Contract has been let for the erection of a concrete and steel bridge to cross the Platte river south of Kearney, the price being \$44,350. It is to be a state-aid bridge and one-fourth of the cost will be borne by Kearney and Buffalo counties.

July 10, 11 and 12 have been selected as dates for the annual meeting of the Missouri Valley Veterinary association at Omaha, an organization which brings visitors from Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado and South Dakota.

Clarence, ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dunkin, living near Story, twenty-five miles north of Harrison while wrestling with a brother, ran the point of a pair of scissors in the back of his neck and died from the injury.

The village of Sweetwater, near Ravenna, was visited by a disastrous fire just recently. Three buildings were destroyed and the nine months' old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Jansen was burned to death.

A hail storm swept over a strip two miles wide and five miles long in the northern part of Thayer county recently and reports are that considerable damage was done to fruit and garden crops.

Twenty-two separate organizations in the city of Omaha are being invited by the Commercial club to cooperate in the arrangements for a big patriotic parade and demonstration to be held on Flag day, June 14.

Six hundred building laborers employed on a million dollars' worth of buildings and twenty-five jobs of paving in Lincoln, are on strike.

Master Bakers of Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas will join in a monster four-state meeting in Omaha, June 12 to 15. The association will meet under the name of the Trans-Mississippi Master Bakers' association.

It is reported that J. H. Morrison is to remodel his building that has been used for a saloon for years, at Superior, and make an up-to-date moving picture and vaudeville theater of it, giving Superior two moving play houses.

Despite the heroic efforts of her 5-year-old brother to save her, Lucinda Sargent, aged 17, was burned so badly at Falls City that she died. She had tried to start a fire with kerosene.

W.R. Armogast of Rising City has challenged William Kaufman of Columbus for the Combs trap shooting trophy, and the match will be held at Columbus June 11.

The largest paving campaign ever undertaken in Hastings has begun. When completed Hastings will have nearly twelve miles of new paved streets.

The Western Nebraska Publishers' association was organized at Gering recently. Eleven of the thirteen papers in Scotts Bluff, Morrill and Box Butte counties were represented. The cornerstone for the new St. Mary's Catholic church at Aurora was laid a few days ago with appropriate ceremony. Bishop Thien of Lincoln attended the rite.

Adjutant General Hall, in company with Colonel Murfin and Major Hazel, members of Governor Morehead's staff, were in Ashland several days ago and completed arrangements by which Uncle Sam becomes the owner of between 800 and 900 acres of land three miles northeast of town, on which will be located a government rifle range. Tentative plans were formulated for the erection of various buildings that will be acquired at once. In time other structures will be erected for permanent occupation. Among those to be erected at once will be barns, sheds and a military club house. Butts for target shooting will be put up and other arrangements made for various encampments to be held there this summer.

P. A. Wells, authority on good roads, in an address to the Nebraska Association of Commercial Clubs at Omaha, declared that Nebraska now stands third from the bottom among the states of the union in regard to improved highways. He asserted that he has been informed that if this state is to receive her share of the \$75,000,000 appropriated by congress to aid states in road building, a strong highway commission must be established and state control of all roads secured. The state association adopted a resolution favoring a law providing a highway commission.

That southeastern Nebraska may become the big oil field of the future, is the belief of a number of prominent men who are leasing all available land in Richardson and Pawnee counties. John Hutchens of Falls City, one of the men interested, owns paying oil fields in Oklahoma, and believes that southeastern Nebraska offers just as big possibilities to oil prospectors as did Oklahoma a few years ago.

An organization has been perfected which will make a campaign for an endowment fund of \$300,000 for York college. The local committee will canvass York county, while the college faculty and trustees will engage in a state-wide effort to raise the money. The campaign is to last for several weeks.

Arrangements were completed at Chicago just recently to match the winner of the Joe Stecher-Strangler Lewis wrestling bout July 4 at Omaha, with Charlie Cutler of that city. The plans were formulated following a conference between Joe Coffey of Chicago and Gene Melady, Omaha promoter.

Junior high school work and pre-vocational training in the Lincoln high school has worked wonders with the attendance during the year, according to report of Superintendent Fred Hunter. He says that in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades particularly have these courses proved beneficial.

Approximately \$45,000 additional property in Weeping Water has been discovered by City Assessor Olive, as compared with the amount found by the assessor last year. High-priced grain on hand in elevators accounts in part for the increase in personal property.

The summer meeting of the Elkhorn Valley Editorial association will be held at Long Pine, June 17. The date was changed from August 5 to avoid conflict with the excursion of the Nebraska Press association to the western part of the state.

A reverting from the use of gas engines for pumping water back to the use of the old reliable windmill is one of the marked tendencies that is to be noted among the farmers around Weeping Water.

Signs of prosperity are in evidence in the town of Imperial. Two new garages, one large brick building and a ten new residences, ranging in cost from \$2,500 to \$5,000, are all in course of construction.

James H. Reed, who has been publishing the Elk Creek Citizen for the last four years, will soon start a paper at Salem. Salem has been without a paper since the big fire there five years ago.

North Platte is the latest Nebraska town to get into the golf game. The North Platte Country club has incorporated and will purchase a 145-acre tract for use as links and club grounds.

Frank W. Brown, editor of the Kearney Daily Times, will represent the 6th District of Nebraska at the Democratic National Convention in St. Louis.

Creighton is to have a city hall costing \$20,000. Bonds to that amount were recently carried at an election by a vote of 234 to 90.

A new cattle price record was established at the South Omaha market recently when some choice Iowa steers were sold for \$10.25 per hundred-weight. This is the highest price ever paid on the South Omaha market for cattle during the month of May.

Plans are being laid for the ninth annual encampment and reunion of all Spanish War veterans to be held at North Platte June 5 and 6. There will be a camp fire, dance, rifle shoot, auto rides and banquet.

Editor M. C. Warrington of the Mason City Transcript was nominated for register of the land office at Broken Bow by President Wilson.

Norfolk was chosen for the next annual Nebraska U. C. T. convention at the concluding session of the 1916 meeting at Hastings.

The Pierce cornet band has been reorganized for the summer and will be under the management of the city council.

Work is expected to begin at an early date on the new Union Pacific passenger depot at North Platte.

The Masonic order of Hyannis recently dedicated their new temple. The new building is of brick with pressed brick and plate glass front, of two stories and basement.

The Nebraska Press association will take a trip in the northwestern section of the state this July instead of holding a convention in some one of the cities.

Otto Renner of Madison sent a steer to the South Omaha market recently that weighed just ten pounds less than a ton and brought his owner \$190.04.

SENDS STERN NOTE

ALLIES TOLD IN FIRM LANGUAGE MAIL SEIZURE MUST CEASE.

BRITISH DRAFT BILL SIGNED

King George Affixes Name to Bill Which Will Compel All Males of 18 to 41 to Join the Army.

Washington. — Vigorous language, equaling almost that employed in the last communication to Germany on the submarine issue, is understood to characterize the notes, which were dispatched to the British and French governments a few days ago, protesting against interference with neutral mails.

It is understood there is no substantial difference as to principle between the State department and the London and Paris chancelleries regarding the broad question on the sea.

The American objection is based on the methods used by the allied governments in handling these mails.

The United States does not concede the right to even inspect first class mails in transit on the high seas, assuming that these do not include anything more than correspondence and are not made the vehicle for supply of contraband to the belligerents. The fact that a neutral vessel carrying mails between neutral countries is compelled to come into a belligerent port to comply with belligerent naval rules, it is held, does not remove the mail matter on board from the privileged character of mail on the high seas.

A resolution authorizing the transportation of mail to and from neutral ports on naval vessels and declaring that "any interference with our mails shall be resented by such ships with all power of the navy and of the ships," was introduced by Representative Tague of Massachusetts.

British Conscription Bill Signed.

London.—King George of England has affixed his official signature to the military service bill recently passed by Parliament.

The bill provides for general and immediate conscription and calls to the colors all males, married or single between the ages of 18 to 41. An army reserve for industrial work also is provided for in the bill and the government may use as many of the conscripts as it requires to maintain industrial conditions intact.

Ireland is excluded from operation of the law.

In signing the bill the king said 5,041,000 men had voluntarily enlisted since the war began.

Guards Face Court Martial.

Washington, D. C.—One hundred and sixteen Texas National guardsmen, who have failed to respond to the call for service on the Mexican border, will be tried by court-martial by order of President Wilson.

The offense for which they will be tried may be punishable by fines or imprisonment, as the court may direct, with the approval of the president.

Secretary Baker announced that the guardsmen would be tried promptly under the Dick law, reversing a previous decision to delay action in order to deal with the cases under the new Hay-Chamberlain army reorganization bill. The president himself will appoint the court-martial and Major General Funston has been instructed to recommend its members, a majority of whom must be officers of the Texas National guard.

Camping Concession Granted.

Washington.—The end of a protracted struggle came just recently in the grant of transportation and a camping concession to the "Old Faithful" camping company of Livingston, Mont., by the Interior department, breaking what has seemed to be a monopoly heretofore existing within the Yellowstone park.

Telegrams from Montana reached Will E. Estill of Walthill, Neb., who came to Washington a month ago. At the end of thirty days after a campaign in which was enlisted the support of leading senators and congressmen, the concession was granted.

Orpet's Parents to Testify.

Waukegan, Ill.—Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Orpet, parents of Will H. Orpet, university student, on trial, charged with the murder of Marion Lambert, a former sweetheart, and Mr. and Mrs. Lambert, parents of the dead girl, have been called as witnesses respectively by the state and the defense. About 200 persons in all have been subpoenaed.

Four Dead in Mine Blaze.

Reno, Nev.—Four miners lost their lives and heavy damage has been done to the old Belcher workings of the Yellow Jacket mine at Gold Hill, adjoining Virginia City, by a fire that broke out at the compressor station on the 1,400-foot level.

Lad Killed by Pitched Ball.

Oil City, Pa.—James D. Erwin, aged fifteen, was hit over the heart by a pitched ball and killed instantly while playing baseball at this place one day recently.

One Killed in South Dakota Storm.

Sioux Falls, S. D.—Southeastern So. Dakota was visited by a heavy wind and rain storm, which besides causing the death of one and injury of several others, did a vast amount of damage to farm buildings, crops and live stock.

Head of Highbinders Deported.

San Francisco, Cal.—Wong Doo King, reputed head of the Chinese highbinders in America, has sailed for China, a voluntary exile from the land of his adoption.

Diese Abteilung ist für die Familienglieder, welche am liebsten Deutsch lesen.

Vom Schauplatz des europäischen Völkertriebs.

Der Kampf um Verdun konzentrierte sich wiederum auf Hügel 304, südwestlich vom "Loteri-Kamm" - Hügel, genau westlich von der nach Westen zeigenden Spitze der Was-Écluse nördlich von Verdun. Es ist, wie wiederholt hervorgehoben, die wichtige französische Stellung in diesem Terrain. Sie hat den Angriff der Deutschen auf die Bahn - Linie Verdun - Paris bisher erfolgreich verhindert.

Der Kampf ist zum Wettkampf zwischen den beiderseitigen Batterien gekommen, und nach französischem Verständnis, waren die Deutschen auch in dieser Beziehung erfolgreich. Sie zwangen die Franzosen zum Rückzug. Letztere haben sich aber nicht einmal abgemattet, bis die Franzosen sich in vergleichender doch nur wenig erfolgreichen Gegenangriffen erschöpft hatten und zur Heranziehung neuer Truppenteile, die noch nicht schlachtenerprobt sind, gezwungen worden waren. Es ist nichts als eine Wiederholung der seit dem ersten Angriff auf Verdun erfolgten Taktik.

Ein englischer Verbindungsmann mit den Engländern an der westlichen Front haben die Verhandlungen im englischen Parlament.

Sir Herbert Asquith hat sich wieder einmal in voller Größe gezeigt, im Fall des künftigen Friedens, dem nun einmal nicht beizukommen ist. Trotzdem er sich vor Monaten auf Ehrenwort verpflichtet hat, niemals ein allgemeines Wehrpflichtgesetz in Vorschlag zu bringen, hat er dies dennoch getan. Es ist möglich und sogar höchstwahrscheinlich, daß Sir Herbert diese bei den Briten verhängte Vorlage zu einem ganz bestimmten Zweck eingereicht hat, nämlich nicht nur, um die allgemeine Wehrpflicht durchzuführen, sondern in einer Linie, um die Leute im Parlament mit anderen Dingen zu beschäftigen. Diesen Zweck hat der schlaue Politiker erreicht. Der Regierung wurden kaum Vorwürfe wegen der irrischen Lage und der Niederlage in Antwerpen gemacht. Am gleichen Tage, an dem Sir Herbert Asquith sich betrautet hat, verhängte Sir Herbert die Wehrpflicht, und am folgenden Tage lag die Vorlage vor dem Hause.

Das Kabinett hatte sich unter Asquiths Führung mit einer bemerkenswerten Eleganz aus einer der schwierigsten Lage gezogen, in der es sich je befindet.

Dem Parlament teilte Asquith mit, daß die britische Armee nunmehr aus 83 Divisionen bestünde und zwar einschließlich der Marine- und Uebersee- Divisionen. Zudem ist in die Aufstellung nicht eingeschlossen. Sir Herbert hat in diesem Falle die Wahrheit gesprochen, aber nicht die ganze. Er „beraht“ nämlich anzuführen, daß die britischen Divisionen nicht vollständig sind. Jede Division sollte 18,750 Mann zählen, eine Gesamtstärke für England von 1,456,350 Mann. Nach einem Verdict der „London Times“, der kürzlich in dieser Spalte zitiert wurde, fehlen aber wenigstens 10 Prozent, was die Gesamtstärke auf 1,300,000 Mann reduzieren würde. Von diesen haben 25 Divisionen England zugehörend, verbleiben nie verlassen und werden in Anbetracht der irrischen Lage und möglicher Einfallsveränderungen verlassen können. Andere 18 Divisionen sind, wie die „Times“ gleichfalls feststellte, auf Indien, Afrika, Ägypten und Salomki verteilt, so daß für die westliche Front noch 400 Divisionen, etwa 600,000 bis 700,000 Mann übrig bleibe.

Von nicht minder großem Interesse sind die deutschen Verluste bis zum 1. Mai. Eine ausführliche Darstellung wurde in der „London Times“ von dem als zuverlässig bekannt gewordenen Militärkorrespondenten „Wielke Rustade“ veröffentlicht. Die folgenden Zahlen dürften mit Ausnahme kleiner Uebertreibungen beginnend, Unterhaltungen richtig sein.

Die deutschen Gesamtverluste bis zum 1. April betragen danach 2,730,917 Mann. Von diesen wurden in der Schlacht getötet oder erlagen den erlittenen Wunden 642,531 Mann, 38,906 — ein außerordentlich geringer Prozentsatz — erlagen Krankheiten, 129,981 sind Gefangene und 203,597 werden vermißt und sind größtenteils auch gefangen. Die Zahl der Schwerverwundeten beträgt 272,585, die der Leichtverwundeten 983,827. „Wielke Rustade“ schließt daraus auf einen absoluten Gesamtverlust von 1,450,000 Mann, eine Zahl, die angesichts der außerordentlich großen Zahl von Heilungen im deutschen Heere wahrscheinlich um einige Hunderttausende zu hoch gegriffen ist.

Sicher ist, daß diese Verluste durch die Neuanschreibungen im Jahre 1914, 1915 und 1916 vollständig ersetzt worden sind.

Erfolgreiches Entschädigungsgeleit.

Das im Staate New York seit 18 Monaten wirkliche Arbeiterunfallentschädigungsgeleit hat sich bisher als äußerst erfolgreich und nützlich erwiesen. Während dieser Zeit wurden dem Unfallentschädigungsgeleit - Bureau 337,500 Unfälle berichtet. Wie Staats - Industrie - Kommissar William C. Archer, dem das Berichterstattungsgeleit unterteilt, nun meldete. In seinem amtlichen Bericht an die Staats - Industrie-Kommission teilt er mit, daß in 56,374 Fällen Unfallentschädigung ausbezahlt wurde. Waren die Arbeiter höchstens zwei Wochen arbeitsunfähig, so sorgte die Staatsversicherung für ärztlichen Beistand. Mit dem Tode endeten 1214 Unfälle. In 81 Prozent der Todesfälle hatte die Versicherung hinterbliebenen Unterhaltungen ausbezahlt, d. h. der Bittve 30 Prozent des Lohnes der Verunglückten bis zur Wiederverheiratung und den Kindern 10 Prozent bis zum 18. Jahre.

Nach den Zusammenstellungen des Chef - Statistikers Leonard B. Hatch war in 30,000 Fällen \$157.20 der durchschnittliche Betrag für Unterhaltungen; \$3240.72 für Todesfälle; \$7475.12 für völlige Arbeitsunfähigkeit und \$42.41 für temporäre Arbeitsunfähigkeit.

Der Prozentsatz für Sterbefälle von den gesamten Unfallentschädigungsgeleit betrug 41.9; für völlige Arbeitsunfähigkeit 2.3; für teilweise permanente Arbeitsunfähigkeit 23.14 und für zeitweilige völlige Arbeitsunfähigkeit 24 Prozent. Die durchschnittlichen ärztlichen Behandlungskosten für alle berichteten Unfälle beliefen sich auf \$10.95. Die jährliche Verteilung der gefälligen Unterhaltungen belief sich auf \$6,507,245 für Unfallentschädigung und Sterbefälle und \$2,463,750 für ärztliche Hilfe und Medikamente, oder zusammen \$8,970,995.

Deutschenagentur entzieht Nachrichten.

In Holland weiß man, daß die englischen Deutschenagenturen Nachrichten fälschen, färben oder auch unterdrücken. So findet die tendenziöse Weise, in der das Nachrichtenbureau fortwährend die Leistungen in seinen Telegrammen entzieht, im „Daager Nieuwe Courant“ folgende Beurteilung: „Wir haben nun gehört, daß der amerikanische Senator Newson, Republikaner, eine Petition unterbreitet hat, wonach das Verbot der Ausfuhr von Waffen aus den Vereinigten Staaten verlangt wird. Ein derartiges Verbot würde für die kriegsführende Partei, welche die Waffen aus Amerika bezieht, im höchsten Grade unangenehm sein. Und das ist wohl der Grund, weshalb Newson es für nötig befunden hat, von dieser Kleinigkeit nichts mitzuteilen. Denn nicht weniger als 1,038,697 Unterschriften bedecken diese Petition. Die Senatoren von Iowa und Wisconsin und etwa neun andere Senatoren drängen, wie aus den jetzt hier eingetroffenen amerikanischen Blättern hervorgeht, darauf, daß dieses Ausfuhrverbot erlassen würde. Das Verbot, die offizielle Agentur des Landes, das mit dem Ocean auch die transatlantischen Kabel beherrscht, das neutrale Europa vollständig in Unkenntnis über diese Dinge läßt, ist ein sicherer Beweis dafür, wie partiell wir hier über die Stimmung in Amerika unterrichtet werden, und es ist ein neuer Grund für die Annahme, daß Amerika genau so zum Narren gehalten wird über das, was in Europa geschieht.“

Die deutsche Agenturen sollen feige geübt werden.

Washington. Um dem Gerücht, wonach amerikanische Banken gegen ausländische Sicherheiten riesige Summen den kriegsführenden europäischen Nationen geliehen haben, auf den Grund zu kommen, hat der Comptroller of the Currency verfügt, daß beim nächsten Aufruf zur Veröffentlichung aller Mitglieder des Bundes - Reservefonds auf eigens dazu hergestellten Formularen den Betrag von Bonds, Obligationen etc. fremder Regierungen anzugeben haben.

Dazu gehören: Englisch - französische Bonds (\$500,000,000 Ausgabe); andere englische, französische, russische oder italienische Sicherheiten, sowie auch solche von Deutschland, Österreich, der Türkei, Südamerika etc. ausgegebene Bonds und Sicherheiten.

Handelsbilanz zu Gunsten der Vereinigten Staaten.