

COL. E. M. HOUSE NOW IN FRANCE

Admiral Benson, General Bliss and Wilson's Friend to Consult Allies.

TO DISCUSS TRUCE TERMS

Texan Authorized to Represent President Wilson—Berlin Crowds Demand That the Kaiser Abdicate—Hungarians Die in Revolt.

Washington, Oct. 28.—Colonel E. M. House, President Wilson's closest political adviser, accompanied by Admiral W. S. Benson, has arrived in France. Colonel House will represent President Wilson in all diplomatic matters growing out of the existing situation. Admiral Benson will represent the navy in the various conferences which are to deal with the armistice request of Germany which has been referred to the entente by President Wilson.

In all conferences that may be held Colonel House will deal with matters purely political; Gen. T. H. Bliss will handle the purely military matters, and Admiral Benson will deal with naval questions. Admiral Benson's presence will insure that the navy has adequate representation by a full ranking officer, as he is the ranking admiral of the navy.

Paris, Oct. 28.—An enormous crowd assembled before the Reichstag building in Berlin Thursday, calling for the abdication of Emperor William and the formation of a republic, according to a special dispatch from Zurich to L'Information.

Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the socialist leader who has just been released from prison, was applauded frantically. He was compelled to enter a carriage filled with flowers, from which he made a speech declaring that the time of the people had arrived.

Basel, Switzerland, Oct. 28.—Turkey will accept peace based on the principles of right and justice laid down by President Wilson, which the new Turkish government approves. The grand vizier, Tawfik Pasha, is quoted in a Constantinople dispatch as having so stated in parliament.

The grand vizier's speech was made on the occasion of the presentation of the new ministry to the chamber. He said the government would grant without delay to all elements not only political rights without distinction as to nationality or religion, but the right to participate in the administration of the country.

London, Oct. 28.—The revolt of Croatian soldiers of the Seventy-ninth regiment at Fiume has been suppressed by three Austro-Hungarian regiments arriving from Albania, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen. There was hard street fighting at Fiume in which hundreds of persons were killed, the dispatch adds.

Basel, Oct. 28.—It was announced in the lower chamber of the Hungarian parliament that the Croatian soldiers of the Seventy-ninth regiment at Fiume have revolted, seized the city and destroyed the railroad there. Count Apponyi, Count Andrássy and the opposition deputies thereupon demanded the resignation of the ministry, according to Budapest advices received here.

Doctor Wekerle, the premier, declared that, in view of the increasing difficulties of the situation, he would propose to the king, a coalition ministry. According to Zurich dispatches, two Slav regiments have mutinied and captured Karlovitz, 200 miles east of Fiume.

DUTCH SHIPS RENEW TRIPS

Trade With the United States and England Planned With Withdrawal of U-Boats.

London, Oct. 28.—Dutch newspapers say that shipping concerns in Holland are taking steps preparatory to resuming regular trips to England and America in consequence of the predicted withdrawal of the U-boat menace, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company. Shipping with Denmark was resumed Wednesday, it is said.

YANKEE ARMEN DOWN HUNS

German Two-Seater and an Observation Balloon Destroyed by American Flyers.

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 25.—Lieut. Sidney White of Elizabeth City, N. C., brought down a German two-seater airplane and fought off five other enemy machines which came to its assistance. Lieut. Wier Cook of Anderson, Ind., brought down a balloon.

Five Anarchists Sentenced.

New York, Oct. 28.—Five avowed anarchists, convicted of circulating anti-government literature, including pamphlets urging munition workers to strike, were sentenced to confinement in prisons in the federal court here.

Hostages Shot by the Reds.

Amsterdam, Oct. 28.—From the time that Moses Uritzky, commissioner for elections to the constituent assembly of Russia was assassinated up to October 1, 68 hostages, including five priests, were shot by the bolsheviks.

MRS. MARY HATCH WILLARD



Mrs. Mary Hatch Willard, president of the surgical dressing committee of New York, has been awarded a gold medal by the French government. She established the committee locally in 1914, but it became a national organization and last spring was merged with the Red Cross.

SOLDIERS IN WRECK

FIFTY HURT IN ACCIDENT NEAR GENEVA, ILLINOIS.

Thirteen Cars on Chicago & Northwestern Line Turn Over—Troops Were on Way to Atlantic Port.

Chicago, Oct. 25.—Approximately fifty soldiers, members of the Eighth United States Infantry, are suffering from injuries received when a Chicago & Northwestern train of thirteen cars, which was transporting them toward an Atlantic port, tipped over three miles west of Geneva, Ill.

The accident is attributed to a split rail. The train was going at 50 miles an hour to make up lost time, and the engine and first three cars passed the split in safety. The next nine cars were hurled from the track, while the last car escaped.

Among the injured soldiers, who were en route from Camp Fremont, in California, who were taken to the Colonial hospital at Geneva, are: Omer Acree, Pomona, Cal.; Leo Bingham, Thatcher, Ariz.; Byron F. Brown, Temple, Tex.; John H. Elliker, Enterprise, Utah; Clarence Raney, Charleston, Miss.; Carlos Domingo, Placentia, Cal.; Godfrey Gottfried, Daly City, Colo.; Sergt. John J. Egan, Philadelphia, Pa.; Erwin Jewett, Gilmore, Idaho; John Chimes, Santa Barbara, Cal.; Walter S. Mitchell, El Paso, Tex.; J. S. Peoples, Yuma, Ariz.; Robert McKinley, Yuma, Ariz.; John Orth, Los Angeles, Cal.; H. S. Moody, Redding, Cal.; Claude C. Burt, Riverside, Ill.; Millard C. Johnson, Bloomington, Ill.; Sergt. Wallace Henderson, Portland, Ore.; William L. Nuncley, Elsinore, Utah.

Difficulty in ascertaining all the facts was experienced due to the cordon thrown around the wreck by the troops, who immediately took charge. It is feared two of the soldiers may die from their injuries.

213 LOST ON TICONDEROGA

Two Officers and 99 Enlisted Men Among Victims of Hun Torpedo.

Washington, Oct. 24.—Two officers and 99 enlisted men of the army lost their lives in the sinking of the American steamer Ticonderoga in the war zone September 30. This announcement by the war department brought the total loss of life to 213, the navy having previously reported ten officers and 162 of the crew dead and two officers carried off as prisoners by the enemy submarine that sent the vessel down.

WILSON ACTS FOR SUFFRAGE

Asks Oklahoma to Vote for Equal Rights at Election November 5—Program of Justice.

Washington, Oct. 28.—Another move in behalf of woman suffrage was made by President Wilson. He addressed the voters of Oklahoma, who act on the suffrage amendment November 5, reiterating his judgment that adoption of woman suffrage is a necessary part of the program for justice and reconstruction.

Belgian Capital to Bruges.

Bruges, Oct. 28.—The whole of the province of western Flanders and part of eastern Flanders and Hainaut, having been recovered from the Germans, the Belgian government has decided to establish its administrative departments in Bruges.

Great Lakes Clear of "Flu."

Great Lakes, Ill., Oct. 28.—Spanish influenza has been driven from Great Lakes naval training station. Health authorities announced that conditions could not be better than at present and the epidemic has disappeared.

Close Cables to Soldiers.

New York, Oct. 28.—Announcement was made by the Western Union Telegraph company that public use of its cable service in communicating with members of the American expeditionary force has been discontinued.

SENATORS SLASH TAX ON SPIRITS

Radical Change Made by Committee in Provisions of New Revenue Bill.

PROHIBITION AGAIN HUNG UP

House and Senate Conference on Emergency Appropriation Bill With Its Amendments for War Time Measure Fail to Agree.

Washington, Oct. 26.—In lieu of the taxes on estates proposed in the house war revenue bill, the senate finance committee in its revision adopted a plan of taxing inheritances of \$10,000 and more, at rates to be fixed later. The committee also decided to reduce to \$2.20 per gallon the tax on distilled spirits used for industrial, medicinal and other nonbeverage purposes.

The new tax proposals that inheritances received by heirs, instead of estates left by deceased persons, shall be the subjects of federal taxation, after state inheritance taxes are imposed.

The revenue of the government probably would be half of the \$110,000,000 levy on estates proposed in the house bill. Returns from life insurance policies under \$25,000 would not be taxed under the committee's plan.

Reduction of the rate on nonbeverage distilled spirits and alcohol ordered by the committee was said to be in response to interests urging it in order to stimulate production of spirits needed for munitions and also to reduce the cost of medicines. The house had fixed the tax at \$4.90 per gallon. Recently the senate committee reduced that to \$3.20 and today to \$2.20 per gallon, which is the rate under present law.

House and senate conference on the emergency agricultural appropriation bill with its amendments for national war-time prohibition, failed to break their deadlock in the rent profiteering section and decided to report a disagreement.

The military deficiency bill, carrying \$6,345,523,688, only a slight decrease from the original house draft, was reported to the senate today by the appropriations committee. Anticipating speedy passage of the bill by the senate, the house interrupted its three-day recess program and adjourned until tomorrow so that no delay might result in sending the measure to conference.

A substitute for the administration emergency power bill, passed by the house to meet a shortage of steam power in war activities, was agreed to today by the senate commerce committee. Instead of forming a separate corporation, with authority to lend funds to private enterprises to increase power activity, the substitute, which representatives of the war industries board have been asked to aid in drafting, will authorize the war finance corporation to lend funds for that purpose up to \$50,000,000.

Washington, Oct. 24.—Surtaxes adopted by the house on individual net incomes below \$100,000 would be lowered and those on incomes in excess of that amount increased under amendments to the war revenue bill adopted by the senate finance committee.

A. STAMFORD WHITE DIES

President of Board of Trade of Chicago Succumbs to Influenza After Two Weeks' Illness.

Chicago, Oct. 26.—A. Stamford White, president of the board of trade, died at his home, 5217 University avenue, of influenza. He had been ill for two weeks. Mr. White served two terms as president of the board. He was elected to that office in 1910. He was senior member of the grain and provision firm of A. S. White & Co., and has been a member of the board since 1881. He was born in Liverpool, England.

St. Louis Commissioner Resigns.

St. Louis, Oct. 24.—Henry L. Weeke, an enemy alien and active politician, resigned as city commissioner of weights and measures, following the suspension last Friday of Chief of Police William Young, two police captains and three police sergeants. The only announcement regarding the suspensions of the police officers was that the action of the police board was taken following charges lodged by the government. Secrecy has since veiled the suspensions.

Two Student Aviators Killed.

Miami, Fla., Oct. 25.—Student aviators M. L. Hope of Merobon, Ill., and Percy M. Goring of Pittsburgh, Pa., were instantly killed at the Marine Corps aviation field while practicing aerial gunnery.

Roumania Closes Her Ports.

London, Oct. 23.—The British admiralty reports that German official wireless dispatches picked up at Moscow are to the effect that the Roumanian government has declared that all Roumanian ports are closed.

"No Crime to Bet," Says Magistrate.

New York, Oct. 23.—In discharging 28 men arrested in a postroom charged with violating the anti-gambling law, Magistrate Joseph Corrigan declared that they had committed no crime either in loitering, playing poker or betting.

MAJ. HERBERT C. ERNSHAW



Maj. Herbert C. Ernsaw, U. S. A., has succeeded Col. J. P. Finley in charge of one of the largest student posts in the United States. Major Ernsaw is one of General Pershing's veterans and fought in the battle of Chateau-Thierry.

NAME NEW HUN STATE

"GERMAN STATE OF AUSTRIA," IS THE LATEST.

Austrian Authorities in Poland Hand Over Administration to Polish Officials.

Basel, Oct. 25.—The German-Austrian deputies in the Austrian reichsrath have formed an assembly for the purpose of conducting the affairs of the Germanic people in Austria and have issued a declaration announcing the creation of the "German state of Austria."

Karl Seitz, leader of the German socialists in Austria, has been elected president of the new assembly. The deputies have announced their desire to bring about the autonomy of the Germans in Austria and to establish relations with other nations.

The assembly has drawn up a resolution respecting the form of government of the territory occupied by Germans. The "German State of Austria" will seek access to the Adriatic sea, in agreement with other nations.

Pending the establishment of a constitution, according to this program, the people will be represented by the reichsrath deputies constituted as a provisional national assembly. This body will represent the Germans in Austria in negotiations for peace and will exercise legislative powers. The legislative branch will consist of 20 members, who will have power to contract state debts and administer interior affairs.

"We must act in favor of peace," said Herr Seitz in taking the presidency of the new state. "We must do all possible to lessen the misery of the German-Austrian people. The new German-Austria, for which we shall lay the foundation, will be constituted in conformity with the free will expressed by the German-Austrian people."

Amsterdam, Oct. 25.—The Austrian authorities in the part of Poland occupied by the Austrian arms have formally handed over the administration to Polish authorities, says a Vienna dispatch to the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin.

CHICAGO AWAY "OVER TOP"

City's Total Liberty Loan Subscriptions \$305,000,000—Leads Seventh District.

Chicago, Oct. 26.—Chicago magnificently redeemed itself in the last days of the fourth Liberty loan campaign. Not only did it equal its quota, but it exceeded in percentage of oversubscription all other divisions of the Seventh federal reserve district. Iowa, which was first "over the top," has the smallest percentage of oversubscription. It was a case of hare and tortoise, and Chicago, like the tortoise, won.

BIG VICTORY FOR SERBIANS

Defeat Armies of Enemy in Valley of Morava River—Foe Retreats in Disorder.

London, Oct. 28.—The Serbians have defeated the armies of the enemy in the valley of the great Morava river, says an official Serbian announcement. The enemy is retiring in disorder.

LATIN FLYERS SINK U-BOAT

Italians Bombard Enemy Submarine From Low Height—Believe Vesel Was Sunk.

Rome, Oct. 25.—Italian naval aviators have bombarded an enemy submarine from a low height and believe that the U-boat was sunk, says an official statement.

No Raise in Coal Mine Pay.

Washington, Oct. 28.—Fuel Administrator Garfield refused to grant bituminous coal miners an increase of wages sought in connection with the plan for stabilization of wages worked out for the anthracite miners.

Capture 5,000 Huns.

Rome, Oct. 28.—In bitter fighting Friday in the region of Monte Grappa, the Italians established themselves on the northern bank of the Orto river. They captured nearly 5,000 prisoners.

OUR RURAL SCHOOLS

Forty-two Established in Nebraska During Past Two Years—Tract of Land for Each.

The annual report just issued by State Superintendent Clemmons shows that during the past two years forty-two rural consolidated schools have been established in Nebraska, where children can get a high school education without leaving the farm. The report shows that more than \$1,000,000 has been expended for rural school buildings in this state since 1916. Each building which has special rooms for agriculture, sewing, domestic science and other important studies represents from two to ten districts, costs from \$45,000 up to \$119,000, and has from ten to twenty acres of land for farming experiments. There are from 150 to 250 pupils in each school. From one to ten automobile trucks are owned in each district, to take the children to and from school—in some cases as far away as ten miles.

The State Council of Defense has set aside November 14 as registration day for all boys who have attained the age of 15 years 7 months and up to 18 years. The registration constitutes membership in the U. S. Boys' Working Reserve. The two general classes into which this reserve will be divided is industrial and agricultural.

During October Nebraskans used 2,598,450 pounds of sugar for household purposes. With Nebraska's population estimated at 1,900,000, the state just got under the two-pound allotment, it being the first time since sugar certificates were issued that the people lived within the required quota for a single month.

Potato prices in Nebraska, fixed by Federal Food Administrator Wattles are: Best No. 1 reds, 2 1/2 cents, Best No. 1 whites, 2 1/2 cents, Best No. 2, 2 1/2 cents. The previous maximum price was 3 1/2 cents a pound. The new prices were made following an investigation into the supply.

The Fort Omaha balloon school is to be enlarged to about three times its present size. The number of men to be trained at the school is expected to be more than doubled. There are about 5,000 men at the fort now.

The state convention of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs will be held at Lincoln, Nov. 19-22. The convention was to have been held at Fairbury, but was called off on account of the influenza situation.

Nebraska soldiers who become insane in service will be cared for at the three state asylums, the state board of control has decided. Sixteen soldiers have been received at these institutions in the last six weeks.

Coming just before the general election the state-wide quarantine against the "flu" puts a ban on all campaign tours and speeches and gives Nebraska the novelty of a campaign minus the oratory.

Total expenses for running the state of Nebraska for the third quarter of this year amounted to \$2,139,515.58. Nearly \$1,000,000 more than was expended during the second quarter.

Nearly 1,000 persons attended the dedicatory services of the new Methodist church at Cortland. The church was erected at a cost of \$23,000 and it was dedicated free of indebtedness.

It is not an uncommon sight to see an aeroplane soaring over Omaha nowadays, since flying machines have been added to the Fort Omaha balloon school for observation work.

The annual convention of the State Teachers' association, which was scheduled to be held at Omaha, Nov. 6 to 8, has been postponed on account of the influenza epidemic.

Potato crop failures at all but two of the state institutions will compel the State Board of Control to buy about 6,000 bushels of spuds to supply the different institutions.

Figures compiled at state headquarters at Omaha show that Nebraska's oversubscription to the Fourth Liberty loan will be more than \$1,000,000.

While excavating for a cesspool near Riverton, workmen discovered oil in what promises to be paying quantities.

Arrangements are complete to raise Nebraska's quota of \$2,000,000 in the united war work campaign Nov. 11-15.

By a vote of 52 to 2 citizens of the Holmesville school district rejected a \$50,000 school bond proposition.

As a means of combating the Spanish influenza epidemic, the state board of health issued an order prohibiting all public gatherings, indoors or outdoors, throughout the entire state, until November 2. The order closes all schools, churches, lodges and theatres, urges that children be kept at home as much as possible, and states that the cause of the large number of deaths from the disease was on account of persons afflicted refusing to go to bed soon enough and attempting to get out of bed too soon.

The state convention of Congregationalists scheduled at York last Monday has been postponed to November 18, owing to the influenza epidemic. The government has sent six army physicians into Nebraska to help combat the influenza epidemic. Several doctors have been sent into Knox county, where a large percentage of the populace is ill with the malady.

The postoffice department at Washington has granted the request of the citizens of Berlin, Otse county, and changed the name of their town to Otse.

There is some talk by state educators of eliminating the Christmas and spring vacations, and continuing school on Saturdays, for the time lost during the quarantine period. Some such action, it is said, is necessary in order to complete the required amount of school work as early as possible to release students for work on the farms.

A Burlington passenger train struck a cow in the vicinity of Seward the other day, resulting in the engine, baggage, mail and express cars going into the ditch. No one was hurt.

Governor Neville has called upon Director General McAdoo and Food Administrator Hoover to raise the grain embargo at the Omaha terminal, that has placed Nebraska farmers "at the mercy of grain speculators." The federal food administration is also asked to stabilize the ratio of prices of corn to hogs, now on a nine to one basis. The administration promised a thirteen to one basis on November 3, 1917. The action was urged by the Nebraska farmer's war council.

Arnold Martin of Du Bois, who has become nationally famous through his success in farming a 20-acre tract in Pawnee county, added another laurel to his crown when he won the sweepstakes prize for states at the International Soil Products exposition in Kansas City. To win the trophy he had to compete with the states of Kansas, Missouri, Texas, Minnesota, South Dakota and Florida and two Canadian provinces.

Distribution of the 1918 home food cards for Nebraska has been postponed by State Food Director Wattles until December 1, owing to the influenza epidemic. In Nebraska 325,000 cards will be distributed by school children.

Union Pacific crop experts say Nebraska winter wheat acreage will be 20 per cent greater than last year, and the quality of the product will be better.

More than 75,000 acres of government land in Nebraska, under the Lane bill now before congress will be turned over to maimed soldiers, according to estimates made by Omaha railroad colonization experts. The bill provides for a house, barn and fence for each soldier.

Mills may sell a year's supply of flour to the consumer now rather than a sixty-day supply, according to a ruling made by the state food administration. Mills also are allowed to exchange with farmers a twelve-month supply of flour for home grown wheat.

The State Railway commission has granted the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company authority to increase telephone toll rates 25 per cent and telephone rentals approximately 10 per cent. The increases affect 66 cities and towns in the state.

Definite announcement has been made from official sources that Omaha will be a highly important division point on the Woodrow Wilson airway, which will be maintained for air mail services and other government purposes after the war.

The Dodge County War Service league, organized for the purpose of raising and distributing all war funds with the exception of Liberty loans, will start a drive on November 12 to raise \$150,000, which is expected to last a year.

Scotts Bluff county won first prize for the best county exhibit, best collection of cereals, and best collection of fruit and vegetables shown by a county at the International Soil Products Exhibition at Kansas City.

Sheridan county oversubscribed her quota of the Fourth Liberty loan more than \$200,000. The county's quota was \$25,000. Subscriptions totalled \$725,000. This is about \$75 for every man, woman and child in the county.

Three telephone companies in Nebraska, the Pallasade, Theford and Union Valley, have petitioned the State Railway commission for permission to increase their rates.

C. F. Chapman, superintendent of the Lincoln board of health, predicts that the "flu" epidemic in Nebraska will not be over until the middle of November.

One man was killed and four injured when a switch engine kicked into a box car from which section workers were unloading ties, in the U. P. yards at Fremont.

An organization of potato growers has been formed in Scottsbluff county. The crop in the county is exceptionally good this year.

A company has been formed, a drilling outfit is already on the ground and plans are being made to drill for oil at Riverton.

An average of thirty food regulation violators are penalized each month in Douglas county. Penalties have ranged from a brief closing to large contributions to the Red Cross.

Poor corn crops in Seward county this year has resulted in farmer's of the county offering to assist farmers in other counties to harvest their crops.

So numerous have gophers become in Dodge county that measures have been taken to rid the county of the pest.

A rumor is current in western Nebraska that the monster twenty-four inch oil well near Harrisburg, drilling of which has been going on for about a year, has struck oil at a depth of over four thousand feet.

Records of the state health office at Lincoln up to Saturday showed a total of about 37,391 influenza cases in Nebraska, with a death rate of about 2 per cent, which is considered remarkably low.

Potato growers of western Nebraska are again urging the establishment of potato flour factory.