



HUGE WAR COST TAX BILL PRESENTED HOUSE; BRITISH FORCES RECAPTURE LOST GROUND

TIDE AT FRESNOY TURNS AGAINST TEUTON FORCES

Germans Are Barely Holding Village Which They Took from the Canadians Tuesday.

COUNTER ATTACKS FAIL

London Official Report Says Rushes at Several Points Stopped by Artillery.

FRENCH TAKE TRENCHES

BULLETIN

London, May 9.—The British official report says Germans advancing to attack across the open near Bullecourt were caught by machine gun fire and suffered heavy losses.

The Berlin official report says British attacks near Fresnoy and Bullecourt failed.

London, May 9.—Part of the ground lost in the vicinity of Fresnoy, on the Arras battlefield, was regained by the British last night, it is announced officially.

The British statement follows: "Last night our troops advanced their position slightly northeast of Hargicourt."

"Yesterday evening the enemy attacked our positions northeast of the Gaville village. The attack was broken up by our barrage and machine gun fire and completely repulsed."

"At the same time hostile forces, concentrating for an attack north of Fresnoy, were dispersed by our artillery fire."

"West of Fresnoy we improved our position during the night by a counter attack. A portion of the ground lost yesterday morning has been regained."

"Early this morning an enemy raiding party was driven east of Armentieres, (on the Franco-Belgian border)."

Lost Ground Retaken.

(From a Staff Correspondent of The Associated Press.) British Headquarters in France, May 9.—(Via London.)—Most of the ground lost by the British in the vicinity of Fresnoy has been regained. The Germans are barely holding Fresnoy village itself.

French Capture Trenches.

Paris, May 9.—The French last night captured first line German trenches over a front of three-quarters of a mile northeast of Cherveux, near Craonne, the war office announced.

During the night the Germans made repeated counter attacks in force against the important positions taken from them on the plateau of Chemin-Des-Dames and on the Calornie-Deau. Although the Germans were stopped by French artillery and machine gun fire, new assaulting waves resumed the effort several times, until the ground was strewn with German dead.

Shippers of Impure Eggs Must Answer Complaints

Washington, May 9.—Egg dealers in Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas were ordered today to appear before the Department of Agriculture to answer to charges of shipping impure eggs in interstate commerce. The order was prompted by investigation made by the department's experts last winter. The food and drugs act classes bad eggs as adulterated food.

The Weather

For Nebraska—Cloudy.

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Table with 2 columns: Time (7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m., 11 p.m., 12 m.) and Temperature (58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80).

Comparative Local Record.

Table with 2 columns: Date (1917, 1914, 1912, 1911, 1910) and Temperature (Lowest yesterday, 49; Lowest yesterday, 49; Mean temperature, 59; Total deficiency since March 1, 1.22 inch).

Reports From Stations at 7 P. M.

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U. S. Field Service on Way to Front Carries Old Glory in Streets of Paris

Paris, May 9.—The Stars and Stripes appeared on the streets of Paris as the battle flag of an armed force this morning when the flag and fifty men of the American Field Service under it, on their way to the railroad station for the front, were acclaimed enthusiastically by early risers all along the route.

Thirty-one members of the contingent are from Cornell university, and a graduate of Cornell, Edward Tinkhaf of Montclair, N. J., is in command, with R. T. Scully, a Princeton man from Pittsburgh, as his assistant.

This is the first detachment of the American Field Service to bear arms and it is detailed for the transportation of munitions to the front.

SHERIFF SEIZES STOCK OF LIQUOR ON LARSON FARM

Tip Given by Boy is Followed and Thousands of Gallons of Booze Found Planned out in Douglas County.

BROUGHT TO CITY

Thousands Cases of Beer, Best Quantities of Whiskey and Much High Priced Wine in the Collection.

TAKEN ON WARRANT

Eight big truck loads of liquor, consisting of approximately 1,000 cases of beer and vast quantities of whiskey, high-priced wines, gin and other intoxicating wet goods, were seized by Sheriff Clark and his deputies, when they swooped down upon Anton Larson's dairy farm, Sixtieth and Center streets, outside the city limits, yesterday, outside the city limits Wednesday.

It was the first big seizure under the prohibition law. The value of the contraband is estimated at \$4,000.

"It gives some idea of the great stores of liquor I and everyone else know are hidden in Omaha and Douglas county," said Sheriff Clark.

"Use it to Sprinkle Streets. I believe I'll carry out my promise and sprinkle the streets of Omaha with this booze," he added. "There's enough in this one seizure to fill several water wagons."

Sheriff Clark said that a 12-year-old boy gave him the tip that resulted in the wholesale exposure of hidden liquor.

The sheriff went to Larson's place early in the morning and, after convincing himself that the boy's tip was well founded, he left Deputy Hove on guard and hurried back to the court house.

A search warrant was obtained from the county attorney's office, and armed with this, Sheriff Clark and several deputies returned to the dairy farm. Police Sergeant Russell accompanied them as an "unofficial" police observer.

Larson, owner of the farm, was not at home. His wife, when told that the sheriff was going to search the place for the alleged caches of booze, protested at first, but finally admitted that there were great stores of liquor on the premises.

"Only twelve cases of beer belong to my husband," she said. The rest is being kept here for 'down-town business men.' I understand there's \$4,000 worth, here."

She "understood" right. The sheriff's forces removed the bolts from a thick door entering from a cow shed into a newly erected building in the rear. This structure, about thirty feet long, eighteen feet wide, eight feet high and extending about six feet below ground level, was filled to the roof with cases of beer and kegs of whiskey. Twenty cases of beer were in the cow shed itself.

Tiers of Bonded Booze. In an adjoining shed, apart from the newly-erected structure, also heavily padlocked, were found tiers upon tiers of cases of bonded whiskeys, jugs of booze of different sizes and quantities of bottled wines, gin, cordials and other expensive liquors.

It was estimated that 400 gallons of whiskey and wines alone were confiscated. The first two big motor trucks from a van and storage company made little impression on the small mountain of cases of beer.

Perspiration poured off the faces of the truckmen as they loaded the big trucks under the direction of the sheriff, who checked off each case, keg or jug of liquor as they were taken out of the caches.

Real Hard Work. "I never had to work this hard when I was driving for the brewery," said one big husky.

It required several hours to load the booze onto the trucks and haul it to Omaha, where it will be stored in the court house to await hearing of the case against Larson.

"It's a clear case under the new prohibition law," commented Sheriff Clark.

"Having the booze on his place is prima facie evidence that Larson had it there for illegal purposes."

Chief Deputy Foster and Deputies Hove and Christiansen were with Sheriff Clark when the booze was seized.

BACKERS OF LOW WORKMEN RATES NAME OFFICERS

Fight in Grand Lodge Going Strong for Delegates Who Want Low Premium Rates Adopted.

STEVEN'S GRAND MASTER

Named in Face of State Board Order for Adequate Schedule.

CONTEST ON AGAIN TODAY

OFFICERS ELECTED. Grand Master Workman—John Stevens, Beaver City. Grand Foreman—Charles Kemp, Ord.

Grand Treasurer—Leo Mullen, Wood River. Grand Watchman—J. P. Clark, Peru.

Grand Medical Examiner—Dr. F. A. Packard, Kearney. Committee on Law—J. M. Bell, York; A. M. Walling, David City; J. G. McReynolds, Lincoln.

Insurgents favoring low rates last night controlled the grand lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

Pending a report of a special committee they again put off action on the question of rates and adjourned to 9 a. m. today.

This was in the face of an order from the State Insurance board at Lincoln, demanding that the order's insurance rates be raised immediately to an adequate and satisfactory schedule, under penalty of the board's taking charge of the affairs of the organization.

Election Bitterly Fought. The election was a bitter fight, with sensational features, hinging around the mighty struggle over the rate question between the administration forces and the insurgents.

The latter had won a preliminary victory Tuesday, by repealing the National Fraternal congress rates, which were considered too high.

All chief administration candidates for election, including all the old officers up for re-election, declined to run, when the insurgent control was indicated and adoption of a low rate was threatened to take the place of higher rates repealed Tuesday.

Fear Wreck of Order. Candidates thus declining gave as an excuse that adoption of low rates would wreck the order, and that they did not wish to have anything to do with control of the order under such circumstances.

The first ballot gave the above election results, with the exception of grand master workman. John L. Sundean of Minneapolis, but sitting as a delegate from Wahoo, had a plurality, but not a majority for that office. He promptly withdrew his candidacy, saying that if elected he did not believe he could move back to Nebraska and take the position.

Anderson Refuses. Frank A. Anderson of Holdrege, retiring grand master workman, although declining to be a candidate for re-election, had stood second in the race, with 141 votes against 194 for Sundean. After Sundean withdrew his name, Anderson was elected by a conservative and high-rate delegates.

But he repeated his refusal to be a candidate, and moved that John Stevens of Beaver City, who polled 84 votes, be elected by acclamation. That motion was passed after first being declared lost and going to a division of the house on call. It was later made unanimous.

Draft Conferees Still

Remain at Deadlock. Washington, May 9.—Another day of conferences on the war army bill ended with senate and house conferees still far apart on several differences in the bill as it passed the two houses. Probably the last effort to get together will be made tomorrow.

The only hope of a compromise was said to be that the senate might give up its Roosevelt volunteer amendment fixing the age limit of those subject to selective draft at 21 to 27 in lieu of the house provision fixing it at from 21 to 40.

Conferees agreed upon a provision to increase the pay of enlisted men to \$25 per month and increase the pay of other grades below commissioned officers, but not proportionately.

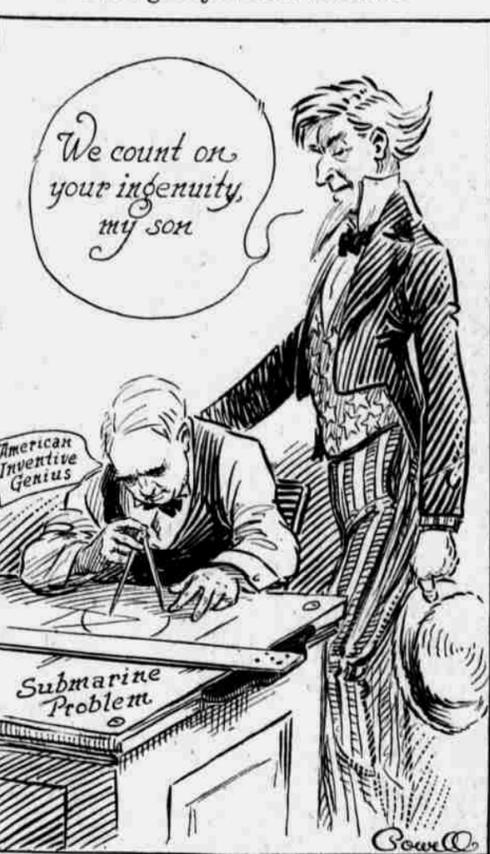
Farmer Hangs Self to

Bedpost Near Atlantic, Ia. Atlantic, Ia., May 9.—(Special Telegram.)—William Embree, a wealthy farmer living near Grant, aged 53 years, was found dead at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He had hanged himself to one of the bedposts on his bed. Ill-health, which unbalanced his mind, is thought to be the cause.

Patent Flour Rises

Eighty Cents a Barrel. Minneapolis, Minn., May 9.—Continuing its steady advance, fancy flour today touched \$16.30 a barrel, an increase of 80 cents, or a total increase of \$1.60 in three days. First clears advanced 70 cents today, being quoted at \$14.60.

Emergency Makes the Man



RUSS MINISTRY VOTES FOR RULE BY A COALITION

Provisional Government Declares in Favor of Cabinet Made Up of Different Parties of Nation.

KERENSKY SENDS LETTERS

Calls Addressed to Duma, Committee of Soldiers and Socialists.

QUIET REIGNS IN COUNTRY

Petrograd, May 9 (Via London).—The Russian government today issued a declaration in favor of a coalition ministry.

Minister of Justice Kerensky has sent letters to the Duma, the committee of the soldiers and workmen's council and the socialist parties inviting the representatives of the democracy to share in the burden of power.

The present provisional government was formed shortly after the revolution to hold office until a national assembly should determine the form of Russia's political institutions.

Opposed by Radicals. This government and particularly Foreign Minister Milukoff have been opposed on questions of the international policy by the radical council of workmen's and soldiers' deputies and recently threatened to resign unless given a free hand to prosecute the war vigorously and observe the agreements entered into by the country with its allies.

The workmen's and soldiers' delegates then decided by a close vote to uphold the government and it was stated that the crisis had been passed.

Conditions Are Improved. Washington, May 9.—Official reports from Petrograd indicate great improvement in the political situation. A dispatch dated May 5 and received today said street disturbances ended in a great demonstration for the ministry and one dated May 7 reported quiet everywhere.

Russell Fourth Man Killed

On Union Pacific Bridge. The death of W. T. Russell at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday marks the fourth fatality that has occurred on the Union Pacific new bridge since construction commenced, more than a year ago.

Bussell, aged 29 years of age, an employe of the American Bridge company, Tuesday, was working on the east end of the bridge, assisting in removing the false work when he was struck in the face by a sway brace. He was taken to the hospital, where he died of hemorrhage.

Robert Thorpe, aged 20 years and residing at 1115 South Tenth street, was probably fatally injured yesterday morning when he fell forty-five feet from a scaffold near the center of the bridge. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital. He sustained numerous broken bones and severe internal injuries.

Thorpe had just gone to work, painting the steel work of the bridge. With a rope he was lowering himself to a scaffold.

RUSH FIGHT TOLL PLAN AFFECTING EVERY U. S. HOME

Ways and Means Committee Places Before Congress Gigantic Scheme for Raising Nearly Two Billions.

PER CAPITA RATE IS \$33

Kitchin Says Lower Chamber Will Pass It Before Coming Saturday.

NONE ESCAPE COLLECTOR

Washington, May 9.—The war tax bill extending excises to the fabric of every American home was formally presented to the house today by the ways and means committee with plans for quick passage.

As a forecast of what may come later, it proposes special taxes to raise \$1,800,000,000 in addition to the present normal annual revenue of \$1,500,000,000. When its terms are effective the American people will be paying direct taxes of \$33 per capita. The people of the British Isles—half as many—now pay per capita taxes of \$60.

Will Hit Nearly Every Home. While the principal features of the new war levy are the increases in income and profits taxes, increases in internal revenue rates and increase of customs duties, many provisions reach the innermost structure of every home and make up a list of taxes by far the most formidable ever faced by the American people.

The household light, heat and telephone bill, admission tickets, fire and life insurance, railway tickets, automobiles, automobile tires and tubes, soft drinks, postage rates, golf clubs and base ball bats, club dues, and a host of other every-day necessities or luxuries, come under the taxation.

Protests Pour In. Postage rates on newspapers arranged in a zone system are such that publishers say they will force many newspapers out of business. Already protests against many features of the law are pouring in, and attacks upon it will center in the public hearings before the senate finance committee.

Democratic Leader Kitchin announced that he hoped to pass the bill by Saturday.

In presenting the bill, the ways and means committee made a report saying in part:

"After carefully considering the experience of the European countries at war, the committee believes it is sound economic policy for the present generation to bear a fair portion of the burden of financing the war and recommend that the remaining contemplated expenses of the government for the remainder of this and the whole of the next fiscal year be raised by taxation."

Total Receipts of Bill. "The effect of this recommendation is that about one-half of this contemplated expenditure will be met by taxation and the other half from the proceeds from bonds."

It is estimated that the receipts of the federal government, including postal receipts for the next fiscal year under existing law, will amount to \$1,500,000,000. The proposed bill is estimated to yield during a twelve months period \$1,800,000,000 additional. This will make the total receipts of the government for the next fiscal year \$3,300,000,000, or about \$33 per capita as compared to Great Britain, with a population less than half that of the United States, whose receipts, including postal receipts, for the year ending March 31, 1917, amounted to \$2,790,000,000 or about \$60 per capita.

Nearly Four Billion. "The committee believes that the American people never were in a more favorable condition to pay a (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)"

Red Cloud Will Celebrate

Fourth With Gay Parade. Red Cloud, Neb., May 9.—(Special Telegram.)—The Chamber of Commerce this evening voted to celebrate the Fourth of July this year. It was thought best to avoid any expenditure that would appear extravagant in the present situation. Among the features planned is a big patriotic school parade. The club appointed a committee to make arrangements to hold a patriotic meeting in a few days.

Motoring Time

is near at hand and you wish to enjoy it to the fullest extent.

To those who enjoy motoring, yet cannot afford a new car,

The Used Automobile

Columns of today's paper offer many bargains.