



REFORM PROMISES USED TO BLIND GERMANS; KAISER BEGINS OFFENSIVE ALONG YSER FRONT

MAIL CARRIERS IN OMAHA LOSE EIGHT-HOUR DAY

Postmaster Fanning Orders All Deliveries Must Be Completed, Despite Federal Law Against Overtime.

These facts developed yesterday following orders issued by Postmaster Fanning that all mail deliveries in Omaha must be completed by carriers regardless of the time clock.

No mail shall be returned to post-office by carriers. Deliveries must be completed even though eight hours of legal working day are over.

Carriers will receive overtime at regular scale. Postmaster issues orders in direct violation of federal statutes in order to give Omaha prompt mail service.

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In direct violation of federal statutes which provide for a penalty for government civil service employees who work longer than eight hours a day.

Heretofore mail carriers have worked eight hours a day, regardless of whether complete delivery had been made.

Answers Many Complaints. The postmaster's decision to work the carriers overtime was the result of constant complaint from hundreds of citizens.

Between Two Fires. "If I don't get the mail delivered the business men complain and if I work the carriers more than eight hours the government probably will raise a rumpus."

Postmaster Fanning said fourteen carriers and clerks recently had resigned to enter the different branches of military service.

"We have used up the names on the civil service list and cannot hire men to take their place until after the civil service examination."

Postmaster Fanning admitted that the Omaha office has been dragging along for a long time with inadequate help.

PICK DEMING, N.M., AS TRAINING CAMP FOR NEBRASKANS

Troops From Husker State, as Well as Dakotas and Iowa, Will Be Sent to New Mexico Town.

Washington, July 11.—Subject to approval by Major General Bliss, acting chief of staff, the following assignments of National Guard troops to concentration camps has been made by the militia bureau for the troops from the western and central areas of the country:

"Nebraska, Iowa, South and North Dakota, to Deming, N. M. Kansas and Missouri to Fort Sill, Okla."

"Texas and Oklahoma, to Fort Worth, Tex. Colorado, Utah, Oregon, California, New Mexico and Nevada to Linda Vista, Cal."

"Washington, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming to Palo Alto, Cal." Small Men May Enlist.

New army regulations made public today reduce the minimum weight limit for recruits from 120 to 110 pounds and the minimum height from five feet four inches to five feet one inch.

But all the documentary evidence submitted showed that he is under 31. A declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States, made in New York City in 1912 was shown.

He has also taken out life insurance since he has been in Omaha, and according to the age he gave the insurance company he is not yet 31 years old.

Half to Ask Exemptions. Members of the six Douglas county exemption boards say they believe at least one-half of the young men drawn for selective army conscription will appear before them and ask exemption.

Election Commissioner Moorhead also is of the opinion that about 50 per cent of all men registered will claim exemption if they are drafted.

These predictions are based on the exemptions claimed by those who registered and from personal interviews with scores of Omaha young men.

Every angle of any question that could possibly arise before an exemption board is covered in the official rules and regulations, copies of which are being studied by board members.

Exemptions are speeding up their perusal of the rules and regulations in anticipation of the numbers being drawn at Washington the last of the week.

Election Commissioner Moorhead expressed the hope that the draft would be made before Sunday.

State Council of Defense Warns People of Nebraska of Treasonable Utterances and to Guard Against Acts of Disloyalty

First Effects of War Between United States and Central Powers Felt in Issuance of Sedition Instructions.

After serious investigation and consideration, the Nebraska State Council of Defense deems it to be its duty to present certain facts to the patriotic people of Nebraska in order that they may have timely information as to the situation in this state.

The statement follows: "On the whole, Nebraska is intensely patriotic. It has contributed generously in the way of Red Cross subscriptions, Liberty bond purchases and voluntary enlistments.

But reports come from various sections of the state relating to un-American words and conduct, varying all the way from utterances of treasonable character to direct acts of words of disloyalty and embarrasments put upon faithful American citizens.

These reports would be unbelievable but for the fact that they have come in such large numbers and from so many discreet and responsible men.

Due to Thoughtlessness. "Many cases reported by individuals were, upon investigation, found to be exaggerated. The council adopted the policy of assuming that many of the so-called treasonable utterances were due to thoughtlessness and proceeded along educational lines.

In a number of instances personal friends of the offending persons were assigned to call upon them for the purpose of trying to convince them of the importance of Americans standing united behind the government in the present war.

In many instances this plan was successful and change was brought in the individual's point of view. In many other cases, however, appeal and educational effort were not productive of good results.

"In the meantime, complaints innumerable continued to reach the state council. Careful investigation of many of these complaints makes it imperative duty of the State Council of Defense to make this frank statement to the people of Nebraska.

Acquainted as the council is with the solemn and deplorable facts, the very fact that there are so many patriotic people who cannot conceive of such a situation or believe that the condition described is so general as to make it serious, compels the council to give to the public this formal statement.

"When the Liberty bonds were in process of sale a number of bankers reported to the state council that they had been threatened with withdrawal of deposits in the event they

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It is no secret that Superintendent Kugel will be more than interested in what Maloney will have to say.

The fight may eventuate in ouster charges being filed with the governor against Superintendent Kugel.

It is common rumor that Kugel is afraid of Maloney and that he demonstrated that fact when he failed to show fight on the occasion when Maloney called him a "dirty rat" in the council chamber during the recent hearing.

The situation is, that if Maloney falls he does not intend to fall alone. He avers he can and will "take up the fight" if it is further understood that Kugel will not be the only person who will be particularly interested in Mr. Maloney's words of reprisal.

Tells of Kugel's Diamonds. Maloney intends to include Chief Dunn and Detective Sutton in his charges of irregularities.

HITCHCOCK'S BIG STICK MAY HOLD NEVILLE IN LINE

Nebraska Governor Said to Be Less Determined to Go to War; Senior Senator Fears Succession of Howard.

Governor Keith Neville is less determined to get into the war since he has been in Washington talking to Senator G. M. Hitchcock, his political foster father.

The senator made him governor and he does not purpose to let him slip the halter now by resigning. No, for that would leave Lieutenant Governor Edgar Howard in line for the governor's chair and that would be a calamity to the Hitchcock faction.

Hitchcock and Howard are not only political enemies at long distance, but even when together are scarcely on speaking terms.

Some weeks ago, after The Bee announced that Governor Neville contemplated resigning to join the army, a procession of Hitchcock democrats from all parts of the state invaded the state capital and the executive mansion and pleaded pathetically for the governor to remain at the helm of state to save the jobs of those he had appointed, since it was known those appointees are not of the stripe that is pleasing to Lieutenant Governor Howard.

Clanked His Sword. Still Governor Neville was determined. He clanked his sword as loudly as before and studied military tactics harder than ever.

The plea was made that he should be senatorial timber four years hence, after he had served two years as governor of the state.

"What are you talking about?" the governor is quoted as answering to this senatorial proposition. "Do you think I want to spend six years of my life in a dusty office in the senate chamber of the United States. Not me. It don't look good to me."

TEUTON CABINET MINISTERS ARE ONLY PUPPETS OF GREAT GENERAL STAFF OF THE ARMY

Washington Officials Say Military Leaders are Real Power in Empire and That Dismissal of Civil Officials Will Have No Real Effect Upon Foreign Policy of Kaiser or Conduct of the War.

BULLETIN. Copenhagen, July 11.—The coalition of the various elements in the German Reichstag, now arrayed against the government, seem determined not to vote the war credit asked until the political crisis is settled.

Washington, July 11.—Germany's latest political difficulties are regarded by officials here as due largely to internal problems.

The dismissal of Foreign Secretary Zimmermann, Minister of Finance Helfferich or Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg himself would be considered largely a surface movement, for not until the great army general staff itself is reached, it is believed, will the real crust of German militarism be broken.

The German foreign office, it was pointed out today, has served during the war merely as a means to get the military leaders out of trouble.

Decisions have been made without reference to the civil branch and matters brought to the attention of the latter only when it was desired to negotiate a way out of the difficulty.

American officials agree with allied diplomats here that many of the German officials who figure so largely in the news are, in fact, largely puppets being pulled across the stage as a blind to German people.

Nevertheless it is agreed that there is an enormous amount of unrest in Germany today which in all probability will lead to internal changes in personnel of the government and in reform of the obvious abuses of the German governmental system.

Austria Wants Peace. Austria's influence is becoming more and more insistent toward a liberal peace. Austria is said to be treated most contemptuously by German officials and given consideration only as the unavoidable weak link in the chain.

Nevertheless it is known that it would make peace tomorrow, if possible, and its activity in consulting German statesmen and political leaders is undoubtedly causing worry at German headquarters.

Resignations Accepted. Amsterdam, July 11.—The session of the crown council on Monday, says a Berlin telegram, lasted until 1 o'clock Tuesday morning, when the resignations were accepted definitely.

The imperial chancellor has decided to offer the vacant ministerial portfolios to leaders of the reichstag and Prussian diet. An imperial ministry of labor will be created under the socialists, Herbert or David.

Catholics Support Erzberger. The Catholic organ Germania says the Catholic center in the Reichstag has decided by an overwhelming majority to support Matthias Erzberger, who last week attacked the pan-Germans and advocated peace without annexations or indemnities.

Herr Erzberger's object, the newspaper says, is to induce the Reichstag to make a declaration of war aims in the sense that Germany has not gone to war with a desire for conquest, but merely to defend its freedom and preserve its territorial possessions.

In order to nullify definitely any impression on the part of the entente that Germany's peace terms would be dictated by the Prussian military caste, the Reichstag is asked to set forth with unmistakable clearness the German war aims. The entente would, then realize, it is contended, that it is waging war with the entire German people.

The Germania adds that the chancellor had accepted the idea and that the formation of a coalition ministry

The Weather. For Nebraska—Fair; cooler. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Comparative Local Record. 1917, 1916, 1915, 1914. Highest yesterday, 80; 89; 85; 88.

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M. Station and State Temp. High. of Weather.

Station and State Temp. High. of Weather. Cheyenne, rain, 70; 70; 46.

American Ship Kansas Is Sunk by Submarine

New York, July 11.—The American steamer Kansas, carrying a crew of fifty men, has been sunk, presumably by the French coast, according to a cablegram received today by the France and Canada Steamship Company, which chartered the vessel.

Bomb Explosions Kill Two Persons in Chicago

Chicago, July 11.—Three bombs believed to have been placed by "black hand" agents caused the death of two men here last night. A number of persons were injured, none of them seriously.

Sullivan is Allowed \$50,000 in Legal Fees from Joslyn Estate

Attorney John J. Sullivan was allowed a \$50,000 fee today by Acting Judge Sunblad of county court in the final accounting of the distribution of the estate of the late George A. Joslyn, multi-millionaire.

Toronto Traction Lines Are Tied Up by Strike

Toronto, July 11.—With 1,600 street railway employes on strike for higher wages and shorter hours, traffic in this city today was almost paralyzed. Trucks and automobiles had much trouble in moving the crowds.

GERMANS BEGIN OFFENSIVE NEAR BELGIAN COAST

Bridges Across Yser Destroyed by Heavy Fire and Wedge Driven in British Line Toward Dunkirk.

(Associated Press War Summary.) Just as the Russians in the east have torn a big gap in the Austro-German lines in Galicia, captured Halicz and pressed on toward Lemberg, the Galician capital, the Germans on the western front have started a menacing offensive near the Belgian coast.

This movement, while it may turn out to be nothing but a local effort or something with which the British can cope after the shock of the first thrust has been met, nevertheless indicates the possibility of a determined attempt to bend back the British flank on the Belgian coast and reach the French city of Dunkirk, about seventeen miles distant.

The Germans succeeded in their initial push by leveling the defenses through an intense bombardment for twenty-four hours and then attacking last evening over the devastated ground. The bridges across the Yser were destroyed by the heavy fire and the sending up of reinforcements was found impossible.

Thus a penetration 600 yards deep on a front of 1,400 yards was effected, the Germans pushing as far as the east bank of the Yser, near the North sea. The attack also extended further south, opposite Lombaertzyde, but here, after having temporarily driven in the British advanced line, a counter attack forced the Germans back to their original positions.

There have been no serious attempts by the Germans to break through the British front in Belgium since their two campaigns for Calais in the early months of the war. The first was checked along the Belgian front by the combined British and Belgian defense, aided by the participation of British warships along the coast.

In the second battle of Ypres, in the fall of 1914, the Germans sacrificed thousands of men in a terrible drive but failed to effect a penetration.

Reports from London today indicated that the battle in Belgium is still in progress. The sounds of heavy firing, heard in England all day yesterday, were again heard today, beginning at dawn.

In the senatorial campaign which the revolutionary army of Russia is

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