

# RUSS TURN AGAINST REDS: TROTZKY RESIGNS OFFICE

## LONE AMERICAN SENTRY DRIVES OFF 40 TEUTONS KILLING BAND'S LEADER

Germans Advance on Tour of Investigation, But Fail to Reckon With Courage and Alertness of One Sammie; United States Troops Receive First Dose of Liquid Fire.

(By Associated Press.)

With the American Army in France, Thursday, March 7.—A lone American sentry this morning attacked an enemy patrol of about 40 men, some of whom had stealthily entered an advanced American trench. He drove them off, killing the leader and wounding others.

### ONE AMERICAN STARTS

The first reports of the encounter were that another raid had taken place, and all along the line details were being awaited eagerly. Investigator showed that one American started what there was of an offensive. The name of this man is mentioned in all reports of the affair and he has been congratulated heartily by his officers and comrades for his courage and level-headedness.

The sentry saw the patrol advancing, and looked on as the Germans began to drop cautiously into the trench. He knew that an American patrol was out along the wire not far away and counted upon its help after he opened fire. There were four men in the American patrol. By the time five Germans had entered the trench the sentry thought he should delay no longer, especially as the under officer who was leading the Germans had approached within a few yards of him.

### German Leader Falls

The sentry opened fire rapidly without challenge. The German leader fell at the first crack of the rifle. The others in the trench hurriedly sought protection, but they were not quick enough, for the sentry's bullets caught some of them.

As the American began firing a German some distance outside the trench shouted, "Come out, come out." The Germans needed no second invitation. In fact, those who were still in the wire already had started out. The small American patrol saw the enemy trailing back across No Man's land, under fire from the sentry and from Americans at a point further along the line. The patrol joined in the fray and helped to speed the Germans on their way by hurling a large number of hand grenades, some of which probably took effect. Four rifles were found in the American lines.

Patrols, both American and German, are constantly seeking opportunity to inspect the opposing lines and the Germans on this occasion (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.)

## Special Program Sunday When Service Flags Rise

Logan, Ia., March 9.—(Special.)—The Presbyterian and Methodist churches will hold flag service exercises Sunday evening. At the Presbyterian church Mary Rice will make the presentation of the service flag, and F. D. Stearns will make the response. Rev. W. J. Cresswell will deliver the address of the evening.

Rev. L. E. Ripley will deliver the address at the Methodist Episcopal church and the flag will have 16 stars. At the Presbyterian church, nine stars will be placed on the flag.

## Farmers to Plant Large Acreage, Says Railroad Man

"Farmers are enthusiastic over crop prospects and are making plans to produce an unusually large acreage of spring wheat, oats, rye, barley and corn," said General Manager Walters of the Northwestern upon his return from a tour of the Northwestern lines west of the Missouri river.

"The ground is in perfect condition for spring work," declared the railroad man. "Farmers are all preparing for planting, testing their machinery and the seed."

## The Weather

For Nebraska—Rising temperature. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Deg.
5 a. m.	50
6 a. m.	50
7 a. m.	48
8 a. m.	51
9 a. m.	49
10 a. m.	49
11 a. m.	49
12 m.	49
1 p. m.	48
2 p. m.	47
3 p. m.	47
4 p. m.	46
5 p. m.	45
6 p. m.	45
7 p. m.	45
8 p. m.	45
9 p. m.	45
10 p. m.	45
11 p. m.	45
12 m.	45

Comparative Local Record.

Year	High	Low
1918	51	31
1917	51	31
1916	51	31
1915	51	31
1914	51	31
1913	51	31
1912	51	31
1911	51	31
1910	51	31
1909	51	31
1908	51	31
1907	51	31
1906	51	31
1905	51	31
1904	51	31
1903	51	31
1902	51	31
1901	51	31
1900	51	31

Normal temperature..... 52  
Excess for the day..... 4  
Total excess since March 1..... 74  
Normal precipitation..... .04 inch  
Deficiency for the day..... .04 inch  
Total rainfall since March 1..... .7  
Deficiency since March 1..... .33 inch  
Deficiency for cor. period, 1918..... .33 inch  
Deficiency for cor. period, 1917..... .37 inch

## German Planes Strike Paris in Night Raid

Paris, March 9.—German aviators raided Paris last night. Early reports show that bombs were dropped with some loss of life and property. Signals that all was clear were given at 12:30 a. m.

## FEAR DES MOINES MEN ON CASUALTY LIST JUST ISSUED

Name of Captain McHenry, Thought to Be Son of Attorney in Iowa Capital, Included.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Des Moines, March 9.—Special Telegram.—A casualty list without next of kin or addresses, issued from Washington late today, contained the name of Captain Harry C. McHenry and 15 men killed in action. It is believed here that Captain McHenry referred to is a Des Moines boy, son of Attorney Walter McHenry. It is feared other Des Moines men may be included in the casualty list of 15. McHenry was captain of company B in the old Third Iowa.

### List From Washington

Washington, March 9.—A second casualty list without next of kin or addresses, issued late today by the War department, contained the names of Captain Harry C. McHenry and 15 men, killed in action, and of First Lieutenant Frank J. Montgomery, killed in an airplane.

The list also showed that Second Lieutenant Alex William Terrell had been severely wounded in action and that First Lieutenant Arthur Ward had died from paralysis.

### Keeley Scores Department

Chicago, March 9.—James Keeley, publisher of the Chicago Herald, brought prolonged applause from 300 Illinois editors today by an attack on the War department order that only the names and not the addresses or names of next of kin of slain American soldiers would be given the newspapers.

### Major Falconer of Omaha Arrives Safely in France

Major Allan D. Falconer, formerly chief quartermaster at Deming, N. M., has arrived in France, according to a message received by Fred J. Stack of the Stack-Falconer company, Major Falconer's business partner.

## GERMANY SINKS TWO RUSS SHIPS AFTER HOT FIGHT

Teutons Attack British Lines in Belgium on Mile Front; Repulsed After Severe Night Battle.

(By Associated Press.)

London, March 9.—Two Russian transports were attacked and sunk by German destroyers after a fight south of the Aland islands on Thursday, according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

After a bombardment lasting all day, the Germans yesterday evening made an attack on a front of nearly a mile in Belgium, from a point south of the Menin road to a point north of Poelderhoek, the war office announced. The Germans were repulsed except near Poelderhoek and positions on a front of 200 yards which were lost there were restored during the night. The statement follows: "Yesterday evening, after considerable artillery activity all day east of Ypres, the enemy's infantry, covered by a heavy bombardment, attacked on a front of nearly a mile from south of the Menin road to north of the Poelderhoek chateau.

### Repulse Enemy Attack

"Despite the intensity of his artillery fire and the determination of his attack, the enemy was repulsed at all points except in the neighborhood of Poelderhoek, where his troops succeeded in entering some of our advanced posts on a front of about 200 yards. In this locality severe fighting during the night resulted in the recapture by us of the whole of our positions."

"A party of the enemy which approached our line yesterday evening east of Neuve Chappelle was driven off by our fire." The war office announced. "At dawn this morning Portuguese troops successfully raided German trenches in this neighborhood and captured several prisoners. "Another successful raid in which a large number of prisoners were captured by us was made this morning by West Kent troops south of Fleurbaix."

### County Supervisors Sell Seed Wheat at Cost

Shenandoah, Ia., March 9.—(Special.)—The farmers of Page county will have an opportunity to buy 1,000 bushels of spring wheat at cost. The wheat is shipped in to Clarinda first and then Shenandoah. It was bought by the board of supervisors of Page county and will be sold under the direction of the food administrators and members of the board.

The left hand of Benjamin Hall, 21 years old, was amputated at the wrist joint at the city hospital Wednesday night. His hand was mangled in a corn shredder. He is a son of C. J. Hall of Farragut.

## WAR PARTY SETS UP NEW SLAV REPUBLIC TO FIGHT INVADING GERMAN HOSTS

Resignation of Trotzky, Bolshevik Foreign Minister, Leaves Lenine Sole Surviving Member of Radical Triumvirate; Against New German Peace.

London, March 9.—The social revolutionaries have decided to organize a national guard to overthrow the bolshevik regime in Russia, according to Dr. Eleff of Moscow university, who is quoted in a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph as saying that the decision was reached at a recent conference in Moscow.

A great army is now being organized in the Don district supported by Cossacks, the dispatch adds, and it is also planned to introduce a republic in Russia with a coalition government which would not accept the German-bolshevik peace. Professor Eleff asserted that the news of the new movement had been suppressed by the Petrograd bolshevik news agency.

### LEON TROTZKY RESIGNS POSITION.

Petrograd, Friday, March 8.—Leon Trotzky, in an address at a meeting of the maximalist party today, announced that he had resigned as commissary of foreign affairs.

As the bolshevik foreign minister, Leon Trotzky, whose real name is Leber Braunstein, was the most important member of the revolutionary government formed after the overthrow of Kerensky last November, although Nikolai Lenine, as premier, was the nominal head of the government. Trotzky virtually controlled Russia's destiny up to the second peace conference at Brest-Litovsk.

## JAPS LAND ARMY AT VLADIVOSTOK TO WATCH ENEMY

Petrograd Newspaper Declares 4,000 Soldiers Reached Siberian Post in January; Bolsheviki Armed.

London, Friday, March 8.—Details of an alleged landing of Japanese troops at Vladivostok in January are given in the Petrograd newspaper Novia Zhizn of January 19, which has just been received here.

The paper says that the Japanese cruiser Mikado arrived on January 12 and was followed by two more cruisers on January 14. Four thousand soldiers were landed and numbers of officers continued to arrive in Vladivostok daily, according to the newspaper. The Japanese admiral assured the local workmen and soldiers' council that the arrival of ships and troops should not be considered as the beginning of military operations, but they were there to protect Japanese subjects.

The message to the Novia Zhizn says the Vladivostok public was alarmed and the revolutionary committees were concentrating bolshevik troops.

Information concerning the reported entrance of British and Japanese cruisers into Vladivostok harbor was asked of the British and Japanese embassies in Petrograd on January 20 by the bolshevik government. The embassy in Petrograd immediately issued an official statement denying the Japanese forces had been landed at Vladivostok. It was added that the presence of a Japanese cruiser at Vladivostok had no connection with the situation in Russia. The British embassy said that British warships had gone to Vladivostok to protect allied subjects against possible disorders.

## BRITISH SKIPPER USES COAL Captain of Small Trawler Demolishes Periscope of Menacing German U-Boat.

## SHOVEL TO SMASH SUB'S EYES

London, March 9.—When one's vessel is in danger from enemy submarines anything will do as a weapon of defense, as is shown by the story of a captain of a British trawler who used a coal shovel with good effect against a German U-boat.

The trawler, according to the story told by one of the crew, was in the North Sea in a stiff breeze when the skipper saw a periscope crawl through the breaking surface of the sea about 100 yards off. There was no gun aboard and the trawler's best speed was less than eight knots. "It was a situation to dismay most men," said the sailor. "Our skipper, however, has a fighting spirit. A touch of the wheel sent the trawler's blunt bows pointing at the submarine's whaleback and we wallowed menacingly toward the pirate. "The U-boat swung round to avoid the impact and the sides of the trawler scraped along the sides of the submarine. The periscope was still well out of the water, but was beginning to slip down as the submarine dived. "The skipper bawled for a hammer, a crowbar, anything that would hurt. One of the crew thrust a coal shovel into his hand and he scrambled over the bulwarks and leaned over, two of the crew hanging onto his coat so that he would not fall overboard. Backwards and forwards he swung the heavy scoop at the fragile periscope and the third blow reduced it to fragments. "The submarine commander, hearing the noise and wondering what new and horrible device the enemy had invented, crept to his periscope to have a look, but all was black. He was blind and the trawler got away in safety."

### CAST DECIDING VOTE.

To Trotzky probably more than to any of the other bolshevik leaders is due the present situation in Great Russia.

It was said to have cast the deciding vote on the question whether to send delegates to Brest-Litovsk a fortnight ago.

Germany in its ruthless demands shattered his program of self-determination and nonresistance.

It was Trotzky who made public the text of secret documents exchanged between former Russian governments and foreign governments and it was he who proposed the armistice to the central powers early in December, which eventually led to the abortive conference at Brest-Litovsk.

The negotiations were disrupted in mid-February and hostilities were renewed. The Germans then submitted partial peace terms, but Trotzky took no part in the conferences.

Trotzky's resignation is the second among the Russian leaders forecast by Berlin. On February 25 Berlin reported that Ensign Krylenko, commander of the Russian armies, had been superseded.

Lenine Sole Survivor.

A dispatch received in London Thursday said Krylenko had resigned owing to differences with the council of people's commissaries. Trotzky's resignation was forecast by Berlin last Tuesday. The withdrawals of Trotzky and Krylenko leaves Lenine as the survivor of the bolshevik ruling triumvirate. Trotzky also is president of the Petrograd council of workmen and soldiers' delegates and was appointed food dictator with unlimited authority on February 20.

Having escaped from Siberia, where he was sent for political offenses, Trotzky was an exile at the outbreak (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

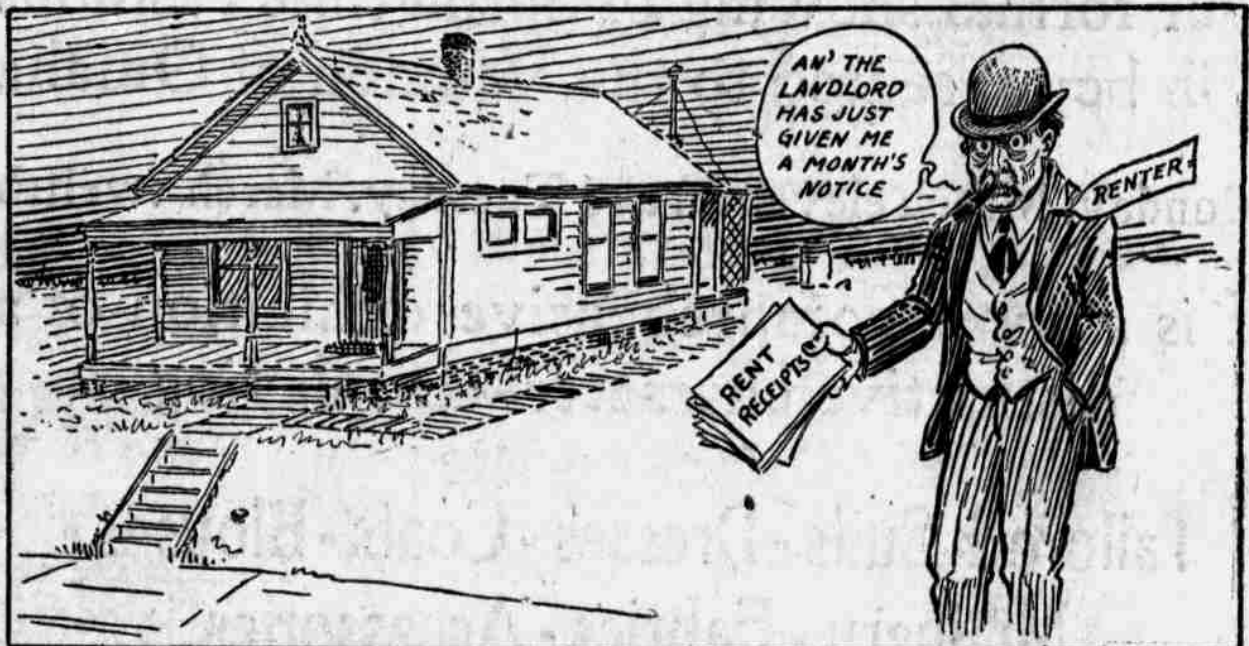
## Charged With Red Oak Murder; Is Given Heavy Reparation

Topeka, Kan., March 9.—The Kansas supreme court today affirmed a judgment of \$2,250 awarded William Mansfield against the William J. Burns Detective agency by the Wyandotte district court. It was charged that force, threats and intimidation were employed by a detective agent to force a confession from Mansfield, who had been placed under arrest at Kansas City, Mo., in connection with the Moore family, killed by an axe murderer at Red Oak, Ia.

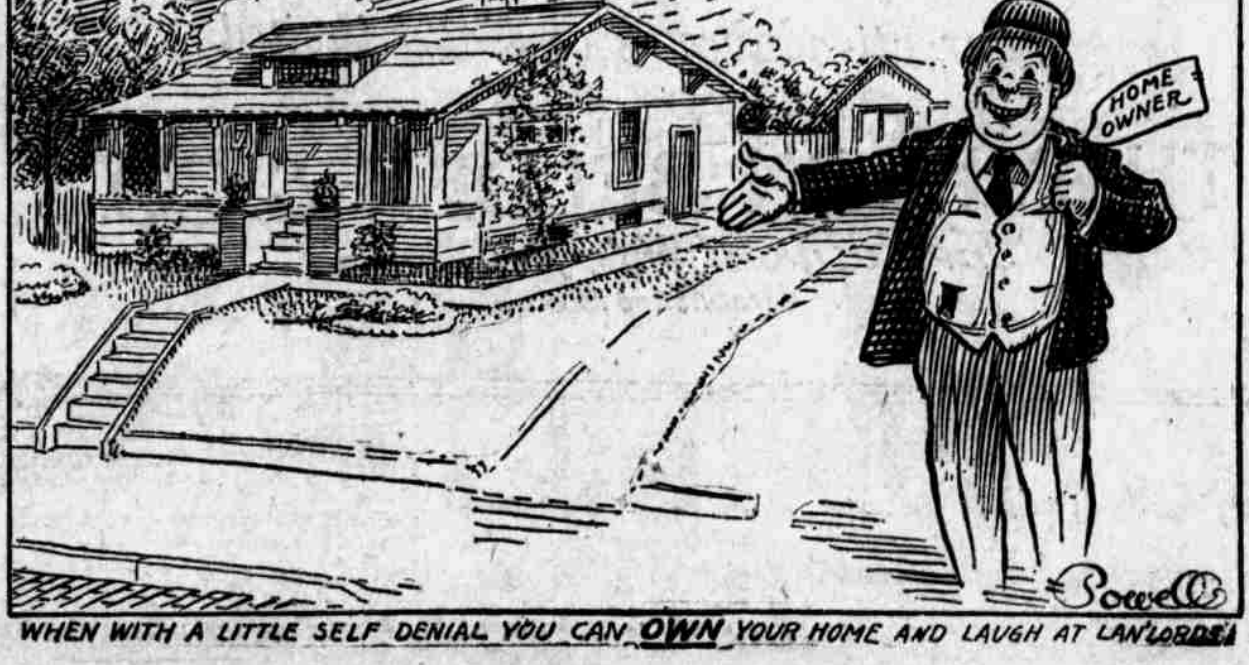
## General Scales Removes Board on Grant Charge

Jackson, Miss., March 9.—Acting on charges that money had been paid to obtain exemption from military service, Adjutant General E. C. Scales has summarily removed the exemption board of Smith county. A report filed with J. W. George, United States attorney, charges that Dr. P. B. Baugh, a member of the board, in one instance was given \$40 for giving an exemption certifying that a registrant was afflicted with hernia.

## The "Own-Your-Own-Home" Argument



WHY SHOULD A PERSON SPEND MONEY AND TIME IN IMPROVING OTHER PEOPLE'S PROPERTY?



WHEN WITH A LITTLE SELF DENIAL YOU CAN OWN YOUR HOME AND LAUGH AT LANDLORDS