

50 KILLED IN ALLIED AIR RAID ON GERMAN TOWN

Terrified Populace Believes Americans Are Attackers; Berlin Denies Reports of Serious Losses.

London, March 19.—Fifty persons were killed and great material damage was done by bombs dropped by allied airmen when they raided Coblenz, Germany, on March 12, according to a neutral traveler who arrived Monday at The Hague, the Times says.

The people believed the raiders were Americans, the traveler said. "I was in the neighborhood of a big munition works at Mulheim, (north of Coblenz and also on the Rhine), at 10 minutes past noon, when suddenly all the factory whistles started blowing and the sirens were sounded. Many women rushed from the works for the bomb proof shelters, while passing street cars were stopped as the crews bolted into houses. Four or five airplanes were visible in the clear sky.

"Americans" is Cry.

"Presently someone exclaimed: 'They are Americans!' Another person screamed aloud: 'The Americans are coming!' A Dutchman I knew rushed up to me and said: 'Didn't I tell you the Americans would come sooner or later?'

"I cannot say whether the machines actually were American, but the striking thing was the evidence that there has been general skepticism whether American airplanes ever would come and equal fear of them when they do.

The neutral traveler added that, although the machines, merely passed over Mulheim on their way to Coblenz, it was not until 4 o'clock that the "all clear" signal was sounded.

Coblenz is the capital of the Rhine province of Prussia. On March 12 the British war office announced that British aviators had dropped a ton of bombs on factories, stations and barracks there. The attack was made in daylight and two fires and a violent explosion were seen to have been caused by the bombs.

Cottonseed Production For Six Months Announced

Washington, March 19.—Cottonseed statistics for the period from August 1, last, to February 28, announced today by the census bureau, show: Receipts at mills, 3,802,905 tons; crushed, 3,203,433 tons; and on hand February 28, 633,399 tons.

Cottonseed products' statistics for the same period show:

Crude oil produced, 971,110,040 pounds; on hand, 199,220,733 pounds. Refined oil produced, 700,326,567 pounds; on hand, 245,754,954 pounds. Cake and meal produced, 1,540,913 tons; on hand, 113,278 tons. Linters produced, 829,019 bales of 500 pounds; on hand, 266,549 bales. Hull fiber produced, 138,951 bales; on hand, 6,387 bales. Imports of oil, 7,452,821 pounds; exports, 32,804,683 pounds. Exports of cake and meal, 17,643 tons; linters, 120,776 running bales.

Fifty Held in Connection With St. Patrick Celebration

Butte, Mont., March 19.—Fifty persons, arrested here following disturbance Sunday in connection with a St. Patrick's day celebration, were being held today under bonds of \$10,000 each.

Charges of disturbing the peace have been brought. Officials asserted the disturbance was planned by Industrial Workers of the World and pro-German sympathizers.

More than 100 persons were arrested, but all except 50 were discharged. The arrests were made by federal soldiers and policemen when a crowd gathered in anticipation of a St. Patrick's day parade, which had been forbidden by the city officials.

Wisconsin's Election Test Of Loyalty to Nation

Milwaukee, Wis., March 19.—The contest for party nominations for United States senator in Wisconsin to fill the unexpired term of the late United States Senator Paul J. Hastings started today. The election is regarded generally as being a test of Wisconsin's loyalty to the nation.

Joseph E. Davies, former federal trade commissioner, and Dr. Charles McCarthy are the democratic candidates and Congressman Irvine L. Lenroot, favoring the president's war aims, and James Thompson, La Follette candidate, are the republican candidates. Victor L. Berger, socialist candidate, is alone in that field.

Germans Invite Press to Watch Western Drive

London, March 19.—The heads of the German army have invited a number of neutral correspondents to be present at the German offensive on the western front, the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen reports.

The correspondents, it is stated, will leave for the front on Wednesday.


Finns Insist on Immunity For All Entente Consuls

Stockholm, Saturday, March 16.—The Finnish government, it is reliably reported here, has informed Germany that entente consuls in Finland must not be molested by the Germans and that their immunity will be insisted upon by Finland.

Unearth Wireless Outfit.

Saint Nazaire, France, Monday, March 18.—The police have discovered a wireless outfit concealed in a large villa at one of the fashionable sea-shore resorts on the right bank of the River Loire.

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URGES NORSEMEN TO BE NATURALIZED

Fremont Attorney Advises Scandinavians in U. S. to Become Citizens as Soon as Possible.

Allen Johnson, Fremont attorney, has written the following letter of advice to Scandinavians in the United States who have not yet completed their naturalization:

"This country is now at war with Germany and, while Sweden, Denmark and Norway are yet neutral, no one knows when they will be drawn into this world's war. It appears that the peoples of these countries are distinctly favorable to the allies and against Germany, but it also appears that the crowned heads and the ruling classes have revealed some sympathy with the kaiser, not wishing to lose their own crowns before the onrush of democracy. For this reason it is impossible to tell on which side of the conflict any of these countries will finally land.

"This letter is addressed to all men born in Sweden, Denmark or Norway, who have come to this country but are not now fully naturalized citizens and it is written for the purpose of urging upon them the importance of completing naturalization at once. If naturalization is delayed until perchance either Sweden, Denmark or Norway takes up the side of Germany then no man who is a native of the country so aligning itself with Germany can complete his naturalization. He will be in the same predicament that the men born in Germany now find themselves. The law of the United States prohibits the naturalization of persons born in a country with which the United States is at war.

"For these reasons it is of the utmost importance that any man from either of the countries named shall at once complete his naturalization and become a full-fledged legal citizen of the United States. If he delays it longer he may find that he cannot become a citizen until after the close of the war and must be registered, photographed and classified as an 'alien enemy.'

United States Welcomes.

"You have all come to the United States because you thought you could better your condition and most of you have done so beyond your greatest expectations. Under this government you have become citizens instead of subjects, and proprietors of lands and homes instead of eking out a precarious existence by the grace or favor of some man above you. This fact should inspire you with a love for the country of your adoption and for its institutions and should lead you to renounce and abjure once and for all all allegiance to any foreign prince, power, potentate or sovereignty. The most ordinary impulses of gratitude for the blessings we have received under this greatest and best of all governments should speak loudly for our utmost services in its hour of need. And our government welcomes you to its citizenship. You are industrious and loyal and have been one of the mightiest forces in making this the prosperous country that it is and the best place in the world to live.

"Having fresh in my mind the embarrassment and predicament of the Germans who came to my office and other law offices for guidance in the ordeal that they were recently put through, and being Swedish by nativity myself, I feel that I do not offend the proprieties in making this appeal to all Scandinavian people who have not completed their naturalization."

All Records for Freight Traffic in Omaha Broken

All records for freight traffic on Nebraska railroads were broken during the first two weeks of March. During the first 10 days of the month, the Northwestern reports 7,077 cars were loaded out as compared to 5,773 cars during the same period a year ago. The report further shows no carload movement was delayed more than 48 hours.

Business on other Nebraska roads shows an increase in keeping with that of the Northwestern.

GERMANY HOPED TO FORCE SWEDES INTO PEACE TALK

Teutons Again Advertise Offensive on West; Invite Newspaper Correspondents to Be Present.

Washington, March 19.—Germany is charged in official dispatches reaching here today from France with having attempted to force Sweden to become a participant in the Brest-Litovsk conferences for a settlement of questions affecting the Baltic.

Failing in its diplomacy, the dispatch says, Germany resorted to force in occupying the Aland islands, landing its troops under the pretext of acting on a request from the Finns.

Germany is again advertising the imminence of an offensive by its massed forces on the Franco-Belgian front.

The word comes this time through Copenhagen in the shape of a report that the high command has invited a number of neutral correspondents to go to the west front to witness the offensive operation and that they will leave for their destination Wednesday.

"Wets" Score Victory In Chicago Decision

Chicago, March 19.—The election board today ruled that the petition of the Chicago Dry federation submitting the question of making the city anti-saloon territory to the voters at the election of April 2, was invalid, because it did not contain the required number of legal signatures.

The election board decided that the dry petition has 7,515 less legal signatures than the number required by law to put the question on the ballot.

The decision upholds the charges of fraud made against the petition by the wets. The wets threaten court action to compel the board to put the question on the ballot.

Boost 15 Per Cent Pay Increases for Postal Men

Washington, March 19.—Flat pay increases of 15 per cent for all employees in the postal service, whether on annual salary or day pay basis, and including those of all grades and classes, was recommended today by the senate postoffice subcommittee in revising the annual postoffice appropriation bill. The recommendations are subject to approval by the full committee, but are expected to be adopted.

News Print Paper Output Shows Slump From 1917

Washington, March 19.—Newsprint paper production in the first two months of the year is put at 192,999 tons, against 222,840 for the same period last year, in estimates given today by the federal trade commission. Standard news production decreased from 206,333 tons to 176,852. The decrease is ascribed to the fuel shortage.

Total mill stocks on hand March 3 were: News print, 30,192 tons; standard news, 24,886 tons.

American Flag Brings \$1,075 at Red Cross Sale


Randolph, Neb., March 19.—(Special)—A total of \$15,232.50 was raised at the Red Cross auction sale here Saturday. The largest single sum paid was for a silk American flag, which brought \$1,075. It had been a gift from former Governor Sheldon to Miss Erma Wiltse. A Hereford bull was sold for \$520. Three goats brought in the aggregate after repeated sales \$1,255. A small runt pig was sold many times, netting \$750.

All restaurants were closed and the young women of the Junior Red Cross served dinner, netting \$590. An old soldier in poor circumstances offered a \$5 bill, which was resold until the total was \$325. Two prominent and wealthy men offered like bills and bids for them did not go over 25 cents.

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