DUTCH PROTEST U.S. SEIZURE OF MERCHANT SHIPS

"With Painful Surprise" Has Taken Notice of President's Proclamation.

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(By Associated Press.)

of the Dutch merchantmen in Amer- over, the Dutch ships, if armed, would ican ports is characterized by the run the risk of armed conflict with Dutch government, in a statement in the Official Gazette, as an act of violence which it will "oppose with all danger zone unless the associated govthe energy of its conviction and na- ernments could guarantee that the tional feeling."

The statement says the Dutch nation, taken notice of President Wilson's proclamation, and that the seizure of necessary because Holland would be a neutral mercantile fleet is unjustifiable. The statement declares:

"According to President Wilson's proclamation, the Netherlands, owing CANUCK TROOPS entirely to German pressure, failed to observe the preliminary arrangement which was proposed for the purpose of leaving no longer idle the Dutch tonnage in American ports and furnishing an opportunity for making voyages within a period of 90 days, pending a definite agreement on Dutch tonnage and rationing. This

is distinctly incorrect. SAY STATEMENT INCORRECT.

"It is equally as incorrect as the allegation that Germany had threatened to sink two ships which were to sail from Holland with America's apincreasing threats to permit both the observance of such a preliminary ar- arms and ammunition. rangement and the conclusion of a permanent one. The real facts of the case are:

'After the (American) war trade board had insisted that Dutch ships in of whom were young women, were American ports make trips pending a some distance from the scene. None definite arrangement, the Netherlands government proposed that some of the ships should make voyages for' the commission for relief in Belgium, which Holland has always fostered sedulously for the benefit of distressed Belgium and northern France. When information was received that Germany objected to America's demand that a Dutch ship sail from Holland each time in exchange for a have been accustomed to assemble. relief ship sailing from America, the Netherlands government deemed it a fore a cessation of the disturbances duty imposed by good faith to inform the American authorities thereof immediately, so that a ship which was then on the way toward Argentina, could be given a different destination. The direct consequence was that those ships were kept moving, which was ordered immedately in consonance with the provisional agreement.

(France), a Swiss interest with which Holland sympathized warmly, the ship owners agreed thereto com-

which would be an infringement of **U.S. TO TAKE OVER** neutrality. Wilson Unsustained.

"Suddenly, the aforesaid London engagement was broken on March 7, when the cardinal point, that ships given in exchange for the advance of 100,000 tons of grain-ships with ton-nage amounting to about half a milion-were not to be used in the danger zone, was revoked. The onerto be ent into the danger zone-for this has nothing to do with neutrality -but because it was evident that to enter that zone, situated as it is, around the associated countries in Europe, would amount to a large extent to the transportation of troops The Hague, April 1.-The seizure the European co-belligerents. Moreand war materials from America to nation of a national policy governing meat production, sale and distribution German warships. Holland, as a neuduring the war, which may include tral country, could not, therefore, consent to the use of its ships in the virtual price-fixing and definite con trol or actual federal operation of the big packing houses, has been en-

ships would not be armed and would trusted by President Wilson to a spenot transport troops or war materials. cial commission of five prominent "In the light of the foregoing, the government officials. "with painful surprise," has reasoning of the presidential state-This step, announced today, was taken at the recommendation of Food ment, that the seizure was held to be Administrator Hoover, who advised unable to observe the contract, can-not be sustained."

CALLED TO QUELL **RIOTS AT QUEBEC**

Quebec, April 1 .-- Three persons were wounded tonight in a battle between troops and a mob of anti-conscriptionists. The clash occurred while soldiers were removing firearms from hardware stores to the citadel officers, acting personally or through to keep them from falling into the hands of rioters. The precaution was proval and that Germany had made decided upon after the pillaging early point of the producer; the chairman this morning of a store handling fire-

The actions of the troops was resented by the anti-conscriptionists, who began pelting the soldiers with missiles. The persons wounded, two

were seriously injured. One hardware store was fired by the rioters, but the building was saved.

Every building in the city likely to be attacked by the mob was strongly guarded tonight. Companies of soldiers with fixed bayonets were stationed at the points where crowds opposed to the military service act An appeal by Cardinal Beegin bewas read today in all the Catholic churches. The mob raiding the hardware store was advised by Armand

Lavergne, the nationalist leader, who declared the military authorities had promised that troops from outside the city would be removed. Several regiments from different

th the provisional agreement. parts of Canada reached Quebec to-"Respecting sailings to Cette day to supplement the local forces. Grave Charges Made Against

lation, cause wage discontent and instability by subjecting the cost of living to abnormal fluctuation and destroy systematic saving in consumption by individuals.

To continue as at the present unsatisfactory direction of large pur-**MEAT INDUSTRY** tional policy in production and day to day dealing with emergency; or To stabilize prices based upon cost

Statement Says Dutch Nation in the fact that the Dutch ships were Hoover Advises Wilson Has profit to the producer and with staof production at fair and stimulative bilization to eliminate speculative risks and wasteful practices and thus some gains for the consumer.

GERMAN STAFF

VISITS TOUL LINE;

(By Associated Press.)

With the American Army in France,

April 1 .- Even more activity was

observed behind the German lines op-

posite the American front on the Toul

sector today. An entire battalion was

seen on the march this morning. In-

fantry was being shifted about while

the cavalry also was seen again.

Numerous automobiles of members of

the German staff made their appear-

lights were flashnig from Montsec.

Throughout Saturday night signal

Three American patrols penetrated

the enemy's lines last night. One pa-

trol went in until electrically charged

barbed wire was encountered. This

ance behind the lines.

MUCH ACTIVITY

ing more wheat flour than is per-The latter policy, Mr. Hoover said, would have an important bearing on mitted under the rules of the food ad- wheat flour available for our asso- present emergency has in effect viragricultural production and permit of a long view being taken and sup-it back rapidly. More than 115,000 wheat not available for our asso-tion available for our asso-ciates in the war," says Food Ad-ministrator Wattles. "To go without mand so far as the French army and ported in assuring the producer of pounds of wheat flour have been re- wheat entirely would be no serious American forces are concerned. This fair returns

ministration of Nebraska by the great armies fighting for us on the of French origin.

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OUR WINDOWS

TODAY

NEBRASKANS RETURN county food administrators of Kimball, Seward and Madison counties. Householders in Kimball county EXCESS WHEAT FLOUR chases with a mixture of partial na- Individuals Holding More Than ing to date with a return of practical- order from the food administration. ly 75,000 pounds. Permitted Gladly Give It

This flour has been put back in the Orders Issued to U. S. Army regular channels of trade by the food

officials Reports from other counties will be as good as these, says the Ne-

Individuals who have been hold, braska food administration. "Nebraskans are realizing that we

have a duty to perform in making American men and material for the

western line and are asked to furnish them sufficient wheat to make their bread, which is half substitute we have returned 4,000 pounds, while realize is a very little request to com-Seward county has checked up a to- ply with. That our people are retal of 35,000 pounds returned. Madi- turning flour to the market shows son county is the banner one, report- that they will gladly comply with any

Now of French Origin

(By Associated Press.) With the American Army in France, April 1 .- The acceptance by France of General Pershing's offer of all

turned in three counties. The report handicap with our wonderful supply is shown by the fact that the orders was made to the federal food ad- of substitutes. When we think of the issued to the American troops are

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to the president in a letter, outlining

Direct Large Packers.

as to the course they are to pursue from month to month," wrote the administrator, "or may even take the form of operation of the packing es-

tablishments by the government."

Since the United States entered the relief. civilian and military purposes have

Opposes Price Increase.

the president that he found himself powerless to protect properly all branches of the cattle industry, and that the government's course is "Almost intolerable in criticism from both producer and consumer." Mr. Hoover asked that the president extend to meet the policy initiated in steel, copper and other commodities, which are sold at prices fixed on the

FULL CONTROL OF

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Please All Branches of

Packing.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 1.-Determi-

basis of conferences between preducers and the government. Want National Policy.

The food administrator suggested. and President Wilson now has approved the plan, that a national policy be determined by the following authorized delegates: The secretary

of agriculture, representing the view- single German. The third patrol of the federal trade commission, representing the influence of trade con-

ditions; the chairman of the United States tariff board, representing economic thought; the secretary of labor, representing the viewpoint of the civilian consumer, and the food administrator, who has to carry out any

policy adopted.

Mr. Hoover submitted his proposal

at length the trials of his organiza. tion in seeking to stimulate production, and at the same time to prevent tion, and at the same time to prevent the robbery of the average citizen by profiteering. He declared some change in the government's present course was necessary for the protec-

tion of the producer and civilian consumer, and to insure the increased production required to meet the growing needs of the army and the allies.

"This change in policy may take the form of more definite and systematic direction of the large packers

war allied purchases of meat for both

was cut.' Enemy sniping posts took warning and opened fire on the Americans, who were forced to retire. No casualties were suffered. Another patrol inspected German line trenches, but did not encounter a penetrated the enemy's wire field to

a French airplane which fell there last week. The engine of the plane was found to have been removed. The American artillery has kept up harrassing fire on the Germans, effectively shelling work parties and still targets.

The enemy gas-shelled the American batteries today, but without effect

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pletely as soon as France gave as-surances that the ships would not be detained at Cette. Accordingly, sev-eral ships were chartered for this serv-

The charterings and sailings of all these ships were not sensibly delayed by the aforementioned objections, neither did Germany attempt to influence the execution of the provisional agreement, which affected traffic between trans-Atlantic ports. What did seriously interfere with its execution was the fact that cable messages to and from ship owners were extremely slow in transmission and some times never were delivered. The

cause of this remains unexplained. "The fact is that a majority of the ships had been chartered under the provisional agreement through the war trade board and part were already sailing to South America, but were stopped enfoute by the American authorities, while in the Pacific, ships lying between the western coast of the United States and the Dutch East Indies, made regular voyages without any impediment, direct or indirect, by the Netherlands govern-ment. The ships now in British ports,

in and outside Europe and in the Portuguese port of St. Vincent, were prevented from sailing by the British and Portuguese themselves.

"As shown by the foregoing, the al-legation that the Netherlands, owing to German pressure, was powerless to observe the provisional agreement is contrary to fact. That the president was incorrectly advised is proved conclusively on a point of greater importance; namely, where the statement mentions the new demand that Dutch ships would have to enter the war zone, and the seizures which followed Holland's reply."

After the incorrect allegation that Holland was unable to observe the provisional agreement," the statement continues, "Great Britain on March 2 sued by the federal board here today. made Holland a final proposal, whereupon Holland came forth with a counter proposal which was unacceptable.

The statement says further: "Even had the arrangement been concluded, Holland would have been unable to upon. This reasoning, strange though it may seem, lacks one important link, which is indispensible to place the matter in a proper light. What were the facts?

Gives Alleged Facts.

"On February 22, the Netherlands, in view of the food shortage threatened in the coming summer, asked posed of an odd assortment of troops America to advance 100,000 tons of who had been hastily assembled, inwheat on account of 400,000 to be definitely arranged for. It is true that the battle at Cambrai, threw down the associated governments on March their tools and bore arms successfully, 6 replied affirmatively regarding the 100,000 tons, without giving a definite reply about the 400,00, but to that apparent acquiescence they attached arrived. The enemy advanced in force the onerous condition, that they were and hurled themselves time after time to obtain immediately the disposal of against the British line in this region. all of that part of the Dutch mer- but found no weak spot. chant fleet to which, according to the projected London plan, they would eventually become entitled. "The Netherlands government,

under the stress of circumstances, pre-pared to accept this condition as soon the fifth month of the second war under the stress of circumstances, preas the certainty could be had that the session, congress this week is exfullest reliance could be placed not pected to complete three more imonly on the 100,000 tons, but also on portant measures-the new Liberty the full 400,000 as the basis of definite loan legislation, the bill creating a regulation. The government was in war finance corporation and the long regulation. The government was in a position to accept because at the deliberations in London and after-ward it was understood strictly that vas understood stri Dutch ships would be employed only outside the danger zone and that, therefore, they would in no cases war legislation, including amendundertake services for a belligerent ments to the selective draft act.

Philadelphia Police Force been consolidated, and it is becoming necessary for this government to co-Washington, April 1 .- Philadelhia's police force is flatly charged ordinate them with orders for the American army and navy to prevent with corruption and partnership in conflicting execution. The result, crime, by the commission on training Mr. Hoover said, is practical dominacamp activities in a report which Secretary Daniels has forwarded to the governor of Pennsylvania, and the mayor of Philadelphia with the surance to swine producers of a minimum of \$15.50 for their product. Presurgent request that they accept the ent indications are that beef purchases co-operation of the navy and marine corps, "for such a cleaning up in Philadelphia as is imperatively dewill be increased soon to the point

where they may affect prices matterially. manded. Thousands of young men are in training for the navy and marine corps in Philadelphia, and according Pointing out that increased quantities needed for export must be obto the commission no other city in the country has so failed to meet the

as to moral conditions.

an extended investigation.

ditions."

tained either by greater production or by reduction in civilian consumprequirements of the army and navy tion, Mr. Hoover expressed the opinion that reduced consumption can be Lists of alleged 'disorderly houses with street addresses and other items had most equitably by voluntary sacrifice, and moderate restraints such as of specific information are given in meatless days, and emphatically disthe training camp commission's reapproved any attempt to lessen conport, made public tonight. It was sumption by increasing prices to the submitted to Secretary Daniels by Chairman Raymond B. Fosdick, after public.

Mr. Hoover said three courses were open in the matter of the control of The report says many attempts meats:

"have been made in the past six To abandon direction of war purmonths to secure action through the chases and conservation measure belocal authorities. I am convinced cause they affect prices, and thereby hat the fundamental reason for the to stimulate profiteering and specufailure of these attempts is the intimate connection of responsible Careless Use of Soap officials with those who profit by the

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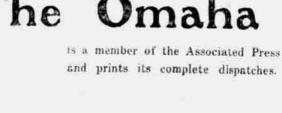
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For Glass in All Foods New York, April 1 .-- Warnings to the public "to be most careful in the future when eating bread, rolls, cakes and pastry" because "jagged bits of glass have been found in flour, bread and bread wrappers," was is-The warning added that complaints of this character have been sufficiently frequent to warrant the board in

publishing this warning. No organized attempt to work injury by placing glass in bread has out easily, removing every particle been found, but such acts are attrib- of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive

American Engineers Fill

April 1.—One of the most spectacu-lar features of the British defense last week was when a little army, comcluding American engineers who, as in

Many Important Measures Before Congress This Week

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