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GERMAN EMPEROR IN RAGE

BIG BLOW EXPECTED ANY DAY

Where Germans Will Start Offensive Cannot Be Foretold; U. S. Troops Hold Gains in Belleau.

By Associated Press. With the return of almost normal conditions on the Italian front and with no indications apparent that it is the intention of the Austrians in the immediate future to launch another stroke against General Diaz's armies, the eyes of the world are being centered once more in expectancy on the battle area in France and Flanders as the possible theater of early encounters on a large scale.

This expectancy is heightened by the utterance of Lloyd George in the house of commons Monday, when he said another enemy attack might be looked for, possibly within a few hours and certainly within the next few days—a blow on which the issue of the campaign might depend—rather than by any outward signs of preparations by the Germans.

Trying Out Positions. Although the infantry operations, except by the Americans in the Belleau wood, have scarcely risen in importance above patrol encounters recently, the Germans are trying out with artillery the stability of the British and French positions on various sectors from Flanders to the Marne. Southwest of Arras, on the Lys sector, and between Cambrai and Valenciennes, the British lines have been heavily shelled with guns of all calibers and with considerable numbers of gas projectiles. The French have been receiving similar visitations between the Oise and Aisne rivers, especially in the region north of Villers-Cotterets, where the recent German offensive reached its greatest depth in the attempted dash to Paris.

When or where the next offensive is to be launched cannot be foretold, but it is expected that it will be started and carried out in an ambitious manner, for it seemingly is realized that time now is working against German arms in the west and that (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.)

British Bombing Planes Raid Works in Germany

London, June 27.—A communication issued by the air ministry on the work of the squadrons says: "On the night of June 26-27 our airplanes attacked the chemical works at Ludwighafen, the factories and railway sidings at Saarbrücken and the airdrome at Bolchen. Several bombs fell on an active furnace at Saarbrücken. At the Bolchen airdrome two hangars were set on fire, and also one machine, which was out of the airdrome. All our machines returned safely. One of our machines, which yesterday was reported missing, has since returned. "The enemy bombed one of our airdromes during the night. No damage was done to our airplanes."

The Weather

For Nebraska—Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday; probably unsettled in east portion; not much change in temperature.

Table with columns: Hour, Temp., High, Low, Precipitation. Includes comparative local record for 1918, 1917, 1916, 1915.

Table with columns: Station and State, Temp., High, Low, Rain. Lists various stations and their weather conditions.

Roosevelt and Taft To Speak at New York Republican Meeting

Oyster Bay, N. Y., June 27.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt today sent his acceptance to those in charge of the meeting of Saratoga Republicans to be held at Saratoga July 18. In commenting on his acceptance of the invitation extended to him by United States Senators Wadsworth and Calder, he said: "Mr. Taft and I will speak at the meeting arranged by the New York senators, it being, of course understood that the meeting has nothing to do with any contest for the nomination to any position."

NORRIS DRY MEASURE UP TO SENATE

Bitter Fight Predicted Over Prohibition Amendment Incorporated in Agricultural Bill by Committee.

By Associated Press. Washington, June 27.—Carrying an amendment providing for national prohibition as a war measure, but not fully effective until June 30, 1919, the \$11,000,000 emergency agricultural appropriation bill was reported late today to the senate. The present plan is to call it up after the army bill is disposed of and a bitter fight is expected by many senators.

The prohibition amendment offered by Senator Norris of Nebraska as a substitute for that by Senator Jones of Washington was adopted today by the senate agriculture committee, 8 to 3. It prohibits the sale of distilled spirits and the manufacture of wine or the removal of liquors now held in bond after June 30, 1919. The manufacture of beer would be stopped three months after passage of the bill.

How Committee Voted. Members of the committee voting in favor of reporting the Norris amendment were: Democrats—Senators Sheppard, Texas; Thompson, Kansas; Kendrick, Wyoming; and Johnson, South Dakota; Republicans, Norris, Nebraska; Page, Vermont; Gronna, North Dakota; and Kenyon, Iowa.

Senator France of Maryland, who also held the proxies of Senators Warren of Wyoming and Wadsworth of New York, all Republicans, voted against the amendment. Senator Gore, democrat, did not vote. The amendment was approved by the committee at a three-hour session, during which opponents made futile efforts to have it amended so as to permit the manufacture and sale of beer after enactment. Efforts to have the committee recommend passage of prohibition legislation in a separate measure also were unsuccessful.

Dry Leaders Confident. Senator Sheppard of Texas and other prohibition leaders were confident tonight of the passage of the prohibition amendment. They said that since the senate last year adopted by a two-thirds vote the resolution to submit to the states a prohibition constitutional amendment, a majority vote in support of the present proposal easily could be secured. Opponents, however, expected a strong fight to be made in view of the fact that the constitutional amendment now is awaiting action by the states.

Street Railway Employees Ask For Wages of \$1,750 a Year

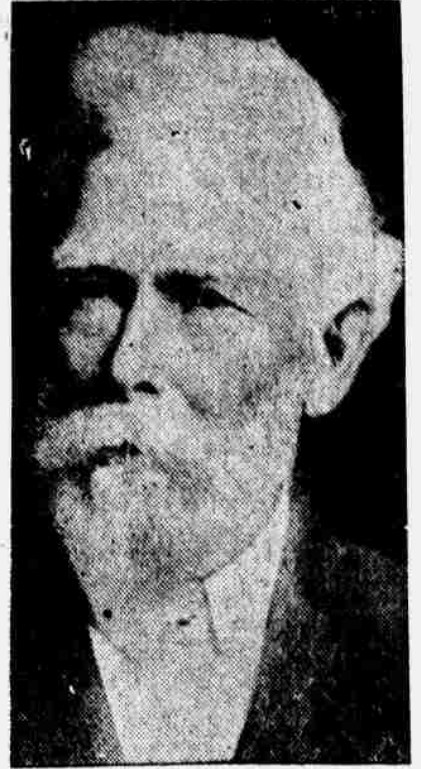
Washington, June 27.—The war labor board at the final session today of the hearing on the request of street railway employees for an increase of wages withheld decision on the proposal made by employees and the companies that President Wilson be asked to raise local transportation rates if it is shown that this is necessary in order for the companies to increase the pay of their employees. Representatives of the employees asked that the present average wage of \$1,000 in middle western and eastern cities be increased to between \$1,600 and \$1,750. Briefs were submitted to the board to show that the lowest wages on which a family of a street car employee, consisting of four persons can live is approximately \$1,600.

Shipping Losses in May Greater Than in April

By Associated Press. London, June 27.—Merchant tonnage losses for the month of May due to enemy action and marine risk, the British admiralty's monthly statement shows, were as follows: British, 224,735 tons; allied and neutral, 130,959 tons. This aggregate for May of 355,694 tons compares with an adjusted aggregate for April of 311,456 tons and a total of 630,336 tons in May of last year. The losses from marine risk are stated to have been unduly heavy last month. The shipping ministry announces that steamships of 500 gross tons or more entering and clearing in United Kingdom ports during May, exclusive of coastal and channel traffic, totalled 7,777,843 tons.

Aged Nebraskan Honored by Nurserymen of Nation

By Associated Press. Chicago, June 27.—A silent tribute was paid today to Rev. Charles S. Harrison of York, Neb., who at the age of 70 was shelved as superannuated and who turned to horticulture and lifted himself from a life of slender sustenance to a comfortable fortune in the last 10 years. He was unable because of his age to attend the sessions of the American Nurserymen's association convention to deliver the invocation, but sent his prayer by mail, and the members bent their heads in prayer for him. The minister, a former Chicago pastor, faced a discouraging future when he retired from his last pastorate 10 years ago. His passion for flowers led him to move to York, Neb., where on a small plot of land he began his work in which he had produced several new species of peonies and irises, made his farm a floral show place, and earned substantial profits.



C. S. HARRISON.

TWENTY-NINE MEN ENTOMBED BY EXPLOSION

Three Rescued Unconscious; Five Injured Located; Number Dead Unknown; Lightning Cause of Disaster.

Virginia, Minn., June 27.—Rescuers working in the levels of the wrecked silver open pit mine, destroyed today by a premature explosion of more than 30 tons of dynamite and black powder, tonight had taken out three miners, alive, but unconscious. Five others, entombed in a cave by the blast, had been located through air pipes. They were injured, but probably not fatally.

Officials of the D. R. Hanna company, owners of the mine, reported tonight that 29 men had been entombed but the number of dead will not be known until the entire pit has been explored by rescue parties. One body has been recovered. Lightning was responsible for the explosion, according to mine officials. Large quantities of dynamite and powder had been stored for a blast Sunday. The electric wires with which it was to be detonated had been strung to the various places where the blasts were to be set, but had not been connected. It is believed the lightning, after striking the wire, leaped from the uninsulated ends of the wire into the powder, explosion of which set off the dynamite.

Led by Superintendent Henrickson, rescue crews were using steam shovels tonight in an effort to liberate the entombed men.

Senate to Vote Today On Draft Ages Extension

Washington, June 27.—Debate on the Fall amendment to the twelve billion dollar armament appropriation bill, providing for extension of the draft ages to 20 and 40 years, was resumed in the senate today, but consideration of the measure was so delayed by the fight on the suffrage amendment resolution, that a vote was not reached. Leaders tonight hoped to dispose of the amendment and possibly pass the bill tomorrow. At the conclusion of the brief discussion today, Senator Fall said he expected that his effort to extend the draft ages would be futile and the general opinion of the senate seemed to be that the amendment would be rejected.

General Pershing Selects Regiment to Go to Italy

Washington, June 27.—General Pershing, under instructions from Washington, has selected a regiment of infantry to be sent immediately to Italy. Secretary Baker announced today to the board to show that the lowest wages on which a family of a street car employee, consisting of four persons can live is approximately \$1,600.

NATION-WIDE WAR SAVINGS STAMP DRIVE ON TODAY

This Is Designated "Thrifty Day" and Pledges Amounting to Billion Dollars Expected.

War savings officials in Washington declared Thursday that the success of the war savings movement depended largely on the results of today's pledges. Today has been designated by President Wilson as "National Thrifty Day" and pledges amounting to one billion dollars are expected by national headquarters.

Heretofore the sales have been less than the government had hoped, amounting to about \$300,000,000 since last December 31. Pledges in the past two weeks have shown a marked improvement and more than a half billion dollars of war savings and thrifty stamps have been bought on the installment plan from war savings workers throughout the country. Today an intensive nation-wide campaign will be made.

State to Be Organized. All Nebraska is to be organized for war activities by the creation of one or more war savings societies in every precinct of the state. Meetings will be held in every school in the city of Omaha and in all of the district schools of Douglas county, in union with those held all over the state at 8 o'clock this evening.

Yankees Die Bravely When Trapped by Huns On West Front Sector

Amsterdam, June 27.—Telegraphing from the German headquarters on the Lorraine front under date of June 24, Herman Katsch, war correspondent of the Koelnische Volks Zeitung, says: "In the course of dashing attack to the north of Renneres wood (northwest of Saicheprey) the American occupants of a position which had been untouched by our preparatory fire refused to surrender and fought, hopelessly outnumbered, to the last. We could only bring in as prisoners two men who were overpowered. The dispatch goes on to say that these two prisoners declared their detachment had fought so desperately because they had been told that Germans tortured and mutilated prisoners, which the correspondent, of course, qualifies as a base calumny."

Several Squadrons of Airplanes Bomb Paris; Victims Reported Few

Paris, June 28.—Several squadrons of enemy airplanes penetrated the defenses of the Paris district last night. Anti-aircraft batteries violently shelled them. Several bombs were dropped and material damage was done. There were few victims.

Harris Estate to Go to Hospital and Art Institute

Chicago, June 27.—The \$1,700,000 estate of the late George W. Harris, chairman of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, eventually will be divided between the Presbyterian hospital, Chicago, and the Art Institute of Chicago. The widow receives the homestead and a trust fund of \$500,000. Smaller funds are created for other relatives. Upon their demise the funds revert to the two institutions named. These, in turn, are to create trust funds in memory of decedent and his wife and may expend only the income.

SENATE DEFERS VOTE ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE ISSUE

Advocates of Resolution to Insist Upon Action After Pending Appropriation Measures Are Disposed Of.

By Associated Press.

Washington, June 27.—Because of determined opposition, efforts to secure a vote on the woman suffrage resolution today in the senate were formally abandoned. Chairman Jones of the woman suffrage committee late today withdrew his motion to displace the army appropriation bill, but announced that after the pending appropriation measures are passed the resolution would be brought up and held before the senate until disposed of.

Senator Williams of Mississippi introduced an amendment limiting the suffrage to white citizens. "In my section of the country we can't afford to do what this resolution wishes to be done," he said.

Take Up Appropriation. While the speechmaking proceeded, leaders of both factions maneuvered and negotiated in a dispute over taking a vote today.

At 2 o'clock the army appropriation bill was laid before the senate, but Senator Brandegee of Connecticut, used it as a vehicle to continue an address against the suffrage amendment. He contended suffrage should be determined by the states. Senator Shafer of Colorado, a suffrage advocate, interrupted him to ask if the war is not to preserve democracy.

"I think to make it safe for the democratic party," Senator Brandegee replied smiling. "All this lingo about the women of America being enslaved is pure frumpery and foolishness. They're the queen bees of this country. A noisy minority absorbs to themselves all the virtues of all the women of the country and get the ear of congress and the newspapers."

When Senator Brandegee concluded, Senator Jones of New Mexico asked that the army appropriation bill be temporarily laid aside and that consideration of the suffrage resolution be resumed until a final vote has been taken.

"I do not feel disposed to assume the responsibility for laying aside a measure appropriating money for the prosecution of the war," said Senator Chamberlain.

Pointing out that a recess of several weeks is planned following passage of the appropriation bills, Senator Pittman of Nevada said he would propose a recess unless the suffrage amendment had been voted on.

Supporters of Steen Concede Nomination Of Governor Frazier

Fargo, N. D., June 27.—The nomination of Gov. Lynn J. Frazier of Hoople, non-partisan league candidate over John Steen of Rugby, endorsed by the independent voters' association in the republican gubernatorial race in the primaries held yesterday, was conceded late today by the supporters of Steen here by a majority of more than 5,000 votes. With 695 of 1,978 precincts in the state missing, returns tabulated here gave Frazier 28,454 and Steen 26,768. Although returns from the contest for the democratic nomination for governor are still far from complete, available figures give S. J. Doyle a good lead over G. W. Wilkinson, who was supported by the league.

Nothing definite will be available on other contests until tomorrow. Grand Forks, N. D., June 27.—With all but 73 out of 542 precincts reported, Henry Wick had a lead of 142 over Congressman John M. Baer, for the republican congressional nomination in the first district. The totals were: Wick, 11,544; Baer, 11,402.

'FURIOUS TELEGRAM' ABOUT KUEHLMANN SENT BY WILHELM

German Foreign Minister's Speech to Reichstag Declared by Serbian Diplomat at Washington to Betray Fact That Germany No Longer Believes in Victory by Force of Arms.

By Associated Press.

London, June 27.—According to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Central News, the German emperor has sent the imperial chancellor Count Von Hertling "a furious telegram" about Dr. Von Kuehlmann's speech.

Washington, June 27.—M. L. Michailovitch, the Serbian minister, in a statement tonight declared that the address before the German reichstag this week by Dr. Von Kuehlmann, minister for foreign affairs, betrays for the first time the fact that Germany no longer believes in victory by force of arms and consequently tries to obtain it by other means.

For this reason, he said, the nations fighting the central powers should have greater faith than ever in their final victory by force.

Hear Tramp of Americans. German socialists heard of Secretary Baker's announcement that more than 700,000 American soldiers had been sent to France in time to use the information in heckling Foreign Minister von Kuehlmann during his speech in the reichstag.

Advices reaching France through a neutral country and received here by cable today, quoted the socialist deputy, Haare, as blaming the war on Austria, denouncing the policy of the German government and ridiculing the failure of the submarines to keep American soldiers out of France. He said: "In our country the ruling party is military. It is very desirable that this situation should be cleared up at least that General Ludendorff should take the responsibility of power instead of the chancellor. "It is said that money is the ruling motive with the English. The war has shown that the home golden calf is as ardent in our country as in England or America. "Many times we have been told that victory is ours. On the first of January, 1917, when the submarine warfare was begun, Herr Helfferich assured us that America would not take any active part in the war. Admiral von Capelle marked his entrance into the war with an effective result which amounts to nil. Now there are 700,000 Americans in France. The submarines have not been able to impede them in any way. "This war was caused by Austria. The Flemish movement that we are agitated is pure swindle. The situation of Estonia and Livonia under occupation is a deplorable one. hopeless. That is what they pompously call liberation of the small peoples from Russian oppression. The Russian people rise again it will be a life and death struggle between us."

MARTIAL LAW TO COME ANY DAY IN DUAL MONARCHY

Conditions Such Iron Rule of Absolutism Likely Soon to Be Brought Down in Austria.

Paris, June 27.—Swiss dispatches received here today say that owing to the seriousness of the food situation in Austria-Hungary, martial law is expected momentarily to be proclaimed throughout the empire.

Austria is in serious difficulties, but there is great danger in hoping too much from them, says a French official summary commenting on the situation in the dual monarchy. Little hope is seen in the possibility of a successful revolt. Austria cannot negotiate a separate peace and it would be "a bad policy to extend a hand to her now."

Factories Closed in Budapest. Amsterdam, June 27.—Budapest advices received here say that in the lower house of parliament Wednesday, Dr. Alexander Wekerle, the Hungarian premier, drew a gloomy picture of conditions in Budapest. The premier said most of the factories had ceased work and that the nonappearance of the newspapers had resulted in a regrettable spreading of false rumors, which had fanned the agitation among the working people.

Stories of Russian Atrocities German Lies, Says Muehlon

Washington, June 27.—Further revelations by Dr. Muehlon, director of the Krupp company, who is in Switzerland, showing that Germany falsified stories of Russian atrocities during the early days of the war, are summarized in a dispatch today from Berne. According to Dr. Muehlon, the commission of cabinet officers sent to East Prussia to investigate returned without evidence of atrocities and with a report that the population spoke in terms of praise of the conduct of the Russian soldiers.

Dr. Muehlon also is quoted as saying that in August, 1914, high German officials boasted that Germany possessed the means of destroying Russia without a single battle, by inciting revolution and that the German plan also included the "liberation" of Finland and the Baltic countries, the pretended reinstatement of Poland as a kingdom, the turning over of Bessarabia to Roumania and the giving of the Caucassian territories and Persia to Turkey.

Anger is Growing. Amsterdam, June 27.—The campaign for the removal of Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann is growing in strength. Emperor William is willing to dismiss him and Chancellor von Hertling is not disposed to retain him, according to dispatches received here.

In the reichstag and the press anger at his confession of hopelessness in victory for the central powers and his display of vacillation by his second speech in trying to avert the consequences of his first speech is rising. In a violent attack on the foreign minister in the reichstag Tuesday Deputy Haase, independent socialist, says Vorwarts, suggested that on the receipt of a certain telegram Chancellor Von Hertling hurried to the house openly to hand Von Kuehlmann the "silken cord." Deputy Haase described Von Hertling, Von Kuehlmann and Von Payer, the vice-chancellor as "fig leaves to hide the nakedness of the military government" and asked why the real ruler of Germany, Von Ludendorff, was not made chancellor.

Americans in France Eventually to Form Separate Divisions

London, June 27.—Intervening in the debate on the new military service act and speaking of the urgency of obtaining men for a serious emergency, Premier Lloyd George said today it was true the Americans were being brigaded with the allies, but that it was with the distinct understanding that when men were obtained they should replace the Americans and enable the Americans to form their own divisions.

That was the honorable understanding upon which President Wilson was prepared to send a very large force to France, the premier continued, hence it was imperative "that we make a most drastic comb-out in order to maintain our strength and prestige at the vital moment."

Cadet Killed in Flight. Fort Worth, Tex., June 27.—Cadet Thomas Clifford Anderson of Trinidad, Colo., was killed here this afternoon in a airplane accident.

The Bee's Circulation in May

Daily 23% INCREASE Sunday 16%

Over May, 1917

Here Are the Figures

Table with columns: Date, Daily, Sunday, Gain. Shows circulation figures for May 1917 and May 1918.

Don't let our hyphenated contemporary lead you to believe that pro-German activities tend to increase circulation.

The Bee's undivided Americanism is having its effect. That's one reason why The Bee's circulation shows such a growth.

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Improving Every Day.