

# News From at Home and Abroad

(Associated Press)

## GERMANS INVADE RUSSIA

LONDON, Feb. 28.—With Russia in the grip of interecene strife and her battle line denuded of men as a result of the peace declaration of the Bolsheviks, Germany has already begun carrying out her threat of an invasion because of the failure of the Bolsheviks to sign a peace pact with the Central powers. A dispatch from Berlin announces that German troops have crossed the Dvina river.

Reports emanating from Sweden says that the Germans have begun pushing forward their troops into Russia's two remaining Baltic provinces—Estonia and Livonia—the taking of which completely isolates Russia from the shores of the Baltic and give the enemy, in addition to the port of Riga, the city of Reval, situated on the Gulf of Finland, opposite Helsingfors, whence they easily might operate against Petrograd by sea.

Although Austria-Hungary has shown dissatisfaction over the stand that Germany has taken toward Russia, the dual monarchy evidently has been plighted by a promise of Germany that any German military activity will be confined to Northern Russia, and Austria-Hungary be left to deal with whatever problems may arise in the territory adjacent to her borders.

Belated dispatches from Petrograd tell of the capture of Kiev, the new capital of Ukraine, by the Bolsheviks. The fighting is described as having been of an extremely sanguinary character, 4000 persons having been killed and 7000 wounded. Great destruction was wrought in the town by shells and explosives dropped by aviators.

At Odessa another big battle has been fought during which battleships in the harbor bombarded the city.

Polish legions at Minsk are declared to have been sanguinarily defeated and put to route, while the Bolsheviks are also reported to have captured Tonogorod on the Black Sea, and Voronezh, capital of the province of the same name.

### AMERICAN AIRMAN DOWNS GERMAN MACHINE

PARIS, Feb. 18.—In Champagne on the sector where the French, aided by American gunners, captured German positions last Tuesday, the Germans, after heavy artillery preparations, attacked and gained a footing in French trenches. Later, however, they were ejected and in addition the French took prisoners.

On the American sector near St. Mehele, the Germans have increased their early reconnaissances and bomb-dropping campaign. The American anti-air-raft guns are forcing the enemy to keep to high altitudes. One has been driven down, damaged by an American aviator.

Twenty-seven were killed and 41 injured in the air raid made by the Germans on London Saturday and Sunday nights. As on Saturday night, only one of the six or seven enemy machines approached British defense reached London in Sunday night's attack. A third raid was attempted Monday night.

The British casualties last week were the lowest in many months, 1340 officers and men being killed.

### SHIPBUILDERS' STRIKE VIRTUALLY ENDED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—President Wilson's intervention has terminated the shipbuilders' strike. Reports from all sections where the strikers are out said they would be back tomorrow.

William Hutchinson, president of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, is expected to take up the situation tomorrow with government officials, although heretofore Hutchinson has declined to leave to the adjustment board settlement of the demands.

Officials believe he will be willing to renew relations with the board. The carpenters were made a party to a creation of the adjustment board by the signature of its vice-president, but Hutchinson overruled his subordinate's action. This action, said Mr. Mazy, chairman of the adjustment board, is causing the present trouble at Seattle, where carpenters are trying to enforce a closed shop. All carpenters in the Western yards agreed to the Pacific Coast wage awards, it was said, until it was learned recently Mr. Hutchinson had repudiated it.

SEATTLE, Feb. 18.—Officials here say, no trouble is brewing.

### RAILWAY WAGES CONCEDED TOO LOW

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The necessity for increased wages for railroad employes was conceded by representatives of a majority of the railroads of the United States, appearing for the first time before the government's railroad commission today. They said they came not to oppose the request of the employes, but merely to aid the commission by giving information.

Officials need no evidence to prove that the cost of living has increased and the low-paid man needs assistance," declared Mr. Higgins of Chicago, who is executive secretary of the Western Association of Railways, speaking for the roads of the western district.

"No one recognizes more keenly than the management that there are numerous classes of employes not properly compensated," was the statement made for the Eastern territory by Mr. Walber of New York, secretary of the bureau of information for the Eastern roads.

S. W. Brown of Washington, assistant to the vice-

president of the Southern Railway, did not touch upon the need for wage advances, but agreed that conditions outlined by the East and West representatives applied equally to the South.

### ARMOUR DENIES COMBINATION AGREEMENT

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—J. Ogden Armour, president of Armour & Co., and Victor Olander, secretary and treasurer of the Seamen's Union and a member of the Illinois State Council of Defense, were the principal witnesses today in the Stockyards Wage arbitration.

Mr. Armour denied that the five big packing companies owned the various stock yards or that they have a combination agreement in the purchase of livestock.

In discussing the labor question he said he favored equal pay for women performing the same work as men, and understood this plan was already followed by Armour & Co.

He said he believed in the justice of the demand that men should work on Sunday, Christmas and other holidays and agreed with the representatives of organized labor that when it is necessary, they should be allowed additional compensation. He expressed the opinion that the eight-hour day question, applied to the meat packing industry, was a debatable question, but that he was willing to consider it.

Mr. Olander, who was on the stand all afternoon, made an eloquent plea for the adoption of the eight-hour day.

### TED LEWIS KNOCKS OUT JIMMY DUFFY

TOLEDO, Feb. 18.—Ted Lewis, welterweight champion of the world, tonight knocked out Jimmy Duffy of Lockport, N. Y., in the first round of what was to have been a fifteen-round bout. Duffy went down for the count of seven in the first minute of fighting and never had a chance to recover, as the champion kept close on him and kept him down.

### RAILROAD BILL MAY PASS THIS WEEK

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Plans were made today which the administration leaders believe will insure the passage of the railroad bill this week. Under an informal agreement to be submitted to the Senate tomorrow for ratification, debate will be limited to five-minute speeches, beginning at 2 o'clock, Thursday, and it is expected that

the final vote can be reached before adjournment that day.

This agreement followed the reading of a letter to Chairman Smith of the Interstate Commerce Committee from General Director McAdoo, urging the necessity for prompt action in the matter and declaring that every day's delay was interfering with the prosecution of the war.

### SHIPBUILDING GRAFT UNDER INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Reports of padded payrolls in the government fabricated steel shipbuilding plant at Hog Island are under investigation by the department of justice, it became known today, after a visit by President Wilson to the department to discuss a general inquiry into conditions there.

St. Helens—Work on Columbia Helena road urged. \$1,400 subscribed to aid construction.

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