

FOUR BOYS IN SIBERIA BEHEADED FOR THEFT

LONDON, March 18.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Petrograd tells of tortures that are being inflicted by the Bolsheviks. In Voronezh the death penalty has been revived for burglary, and in Kazan four peasants, who had been adjudged guilty of crime, were condemned to be burned to death.

The entire populace of the village witnessed the execution in Baranopol, Siberia, of four boys who had been condemned for theft. Three of the boys were beheaded, while the other was tortured and finally his head was crushed. In Zmitovo the merchants were ordered to hand over 100,000 rubles. Those who failed to do so were thrown into the river after stones had been tied about their necks.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN COQUILLE DESTROYS BUSINESS BUILDINGS

COQUILLE, Or., March 15.—Seven business buildings were destroyed, ten badly damaged and numerous other structures were slightly damaged by a fire which swept the business section here early Sunday.

The loss is estimated at \$75,000, with approximately \$15,000 insurance. The fire, which started in the Seaside Theatre, supposedly from defective wiring, spread with great rapidity and for several hours threatened the destruction of the entire town. For a block on both sides of Front street all buildings were wiped out.

A special train brought firemen from Powers, Marshfield and Myrtle Point to aid in quelling the flames. Three lodging houses were burned and the occupants fled to the street in their night clothes. Many persons had narrow escapes from death in the flames.

EX-PRESIDENT TAFT WOULD RAISE ARMY OF 5,000,000 MEN

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Amendment of the draft law to authorize the President to increase the Army to 5,000,000 men or more was advocated by former President Taft in a speech today before the National Geographic Society.

Mr. Taft said the draft law had vindicated itself in every way.

CANADIAN VETERANS ARRIVE HOME ON AN EXTENDED FURLOUGH

A CANADIAN ATLANTIC PORT, March 15.—Three thousand Canadian veterans of the war disembarked here today from three ocean liners. Four hundred of these men sailed from Canada with the first contingent in 1914 and many of them have been nearly three years on the battle front. All are married and have been given three months' furlough.

Decorated by Clemenceau



LIEUT. JOSEPH L. CANBY

Lieutenant Joseph L. Canby, whose home is in Chicago, was one of six Americans decorated by Premier Clemenceau of France for bravery during a fight of the Americans with Germans north of Toul. He went over the top in daylight and took a German prisoner while exposed to Boche fire.

BAKER'S VISIT IS INSPIRATION TO U. S. TROOPS

WITH SECRETARY OF WAR BAKER IN FRANCE, March 18.—Secretary Baker's visit to France is a personal inspiration to every officer and man in the American forces. General Pershing declared tonight:

"I have long urged Secretary Baker to come to France," said Pershing. "Now that he's here, we are delighted. He plans to take time to master all details of the situation. As our chief, who carries all the military effort at home and abroad in his mind he is seeing what we are doing on this side, and his visit is a personal inspiration to every officer and man."

FARMERS EXEMPTED UNTIL THEIR WORK IS ALL COMPLETED

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 18.—Men engaged in planting or cultivating crops are to be allowed by exemption boards to continue their work until finished, although their draft numbers are reached, orders received by Adjutant General Dickson from the war department today directed.

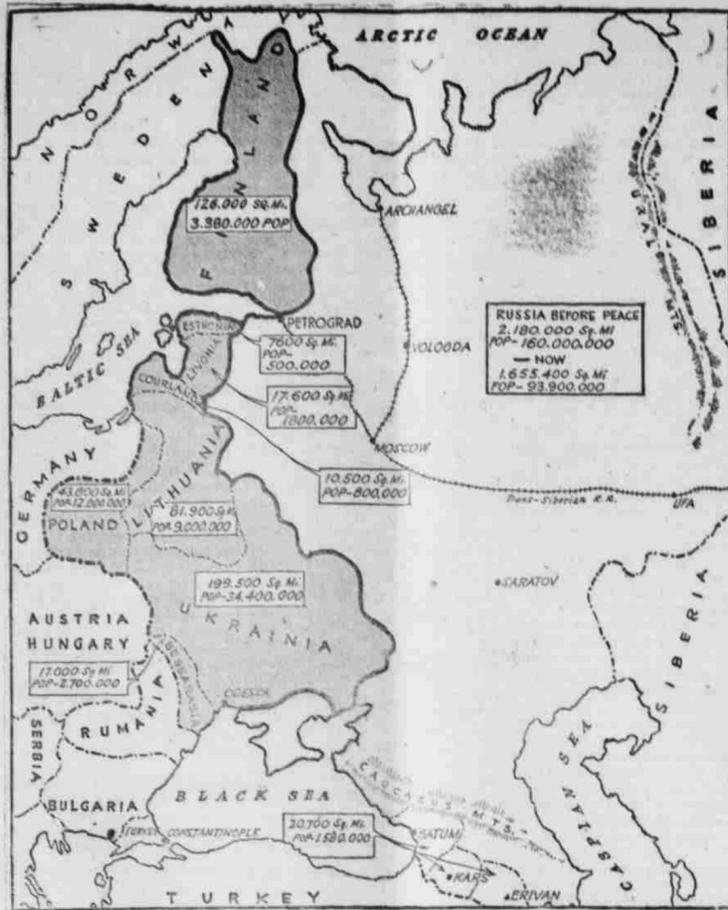
BELFAST SCENE OF RIOTING BY SINN FEINERS

BELFAST, March 17.—Severe rioting occurred last night in the Nationalist quarter of Belfast between a mob of Sinn Feiners and the police. Many victims of casualties were sent to the hospital, including a number of policemen.

HUNS ORGANIZE OWN PRISONERS

TOKIO, via Shanghai, March 14.—It is reported that the Germans are trying to organize two army corps of German war prisoners in Russia. One corps, it is said, is being secretly organized at Irkutsk, Siberia. Two cavalry corps are also being formed.

How the Germans Are Carving Up Russia



The German government has already arranged for the severance in some form of Russian territory of 524,600 square miles with a population of 66,100,000. Various excuses and explanations of this work are given. Some provinces are to "self-determine" their form of government. Others are to be given outright to the "Ukraine People's Republic," and Rumania has been notified that in consideration of signing a peace treaty she may give up the mouth of the Danube to Bulgaria and take Bessarabia from Russia. About one-fourth the total area of Russia, containing more than one-third the population, is thus taken from her. Should Germany succeed in her project these states in some form or other will, of course, be vassal states of the Fatherland.

CENTRAL AMERICAN COURT OF ARBITRATION CLOSES EXISTENCE

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, March 17.—After 10 years of existence, the Central American court of arbitration, the only ample tribunal for this purpose in the world, has closed its doors because its life term, fixed by the Washington convention, signed by five American republics, under the auspices of the United States and Mexico expired Friday.

During its life the court has averted two wars in Central America, interfered effectively in domestic conflicts, demonstrated the possibility of arbitration to settle controversies between the countries and had done much to promote Central American unity.

Just as the court goes out of existence the beautiful building intended for its palace, the gift of Andrew Carnegie, is receiving its finishing touches.

100,000 TONS WAIT SHIPMENT FROM EAST

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Nearly 100,000 tons of freight for the allies is lying on the piers at the Atlantic ports, from Boston to Norfolk, according to reports made to the director general of railroads. Accumulations are growing so fast that some steps may be necessary to retard them until enough shipping is gathered to move the supplies.

Great measure of relief is looked for in the taking of the Dutch ships, but is said by the officials that there are approximately 100 shiploads now piled up with other material moving to the coast.

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION ELECTS MANAGER OF ITS BASEBALL TEAM

The Athletic association of the high school met Thursday noon and elected Kenneth T. Hutchinson manager of the baseball team. The association meets again in a few days to elect captains.

The first turn out for baseball practice was large, and there are bright prospects for a fast team the coming season.

Many games are to be scheduled and a number of successors to Ty Cobb will be brought to light.

BOLSHEVIK ARMY HEAD WARNS U.S. OF NEW COMPACT

PETROGRAD, March 18.—Leon Trotsky, Bolshevik war minister, declared M. Martoff, chief of the Monarchist movement, today between Germany and Japan to "divide Russia on the basis of mutual interests."

Trotsky further declared that the allies' greatest error has been, in assisting Japan's plans for occupation of Siberia.

"America will be the first to renege on the allies' policy," he said. "We are facing dissolution, not from Germany, but from Japan," declared M. Martoff, chief of the Monarchist faction, in voicing a protest against ratifying the treaty Germany has imposed on Russia.

HUN TREATY RATIFIED

PETROGRAD, Thursday, Mar. 15.—The All-Russian Congress of Soviets, meeting at Moscow, today, by a vote of 453 to 39, decided to ratify the peace treaty with the central powers.



HON. J. W. LOWTHER
Hon. J. W. Lowther, for many years speaker of the house of commons in England, has been among those mentioned for premier in case Lloyd George should be forced out. The position of speaker of the commons at not an important place, because he has very little power.

SHIPYARDS MAY BE TIED UP AS RESULT OF COMMANDEERING

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Purchasing officers of the allied governments at Washington today informed shipbuilders from the Pacific Coast that they will not place contracts for ships in American yards as long as the Shipping Board insists upon reserving the right to commandeering ships built on foreign account.

This refusal of the foreign representative to contract under conditions now imposed means that shipyards which have been unable to get Government contracts cannot build for others.

AMERICAN AIRPLANES WILL BE IN FRANCE TO PROTECT TROOPS

WASHINGTON, March 18.—American-built battle planes will be in France by July in sufficient quantity to insure adequate air protection of the sectors then held by the American troops. This statement rests on the highest authority and was made tonight with full recognition of all failures and disappointments that have hampered the development of the air programme.

Gold Hill—Two sawmills to start on Sardine creek.

Ex-Naval Secretary Dead



George von L. Meyer, postmaster general under President Roosevelt, and secretary of the navy under President Taft, died in his home in Boston, Mr. Meyer was sixty years of age. He was well known in Massachusetts and national politics for many years.

GERMAN TO BE DEAD LANGUAGE AT HIGH SCHOOL IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, March 15.—German will be a dead language as far as the Portland high schools are concerned after June this year.

The committee on education affairs of the School Board, consisting of O. M. Plummer, Francis Drake and N. G. Pike, will recommend to the board at the next regular meeting that formal action be taken cutting off the Teuton tongue from the curriculum of the Portland educational system. It is understood that the suggestion meets with the approval of all members of the board.

According to information in the hands of the board, nearly all students who have been taking the German course are children of parents who are German or of German descent.

GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY TO PEOPLE

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ment of productiveness in all lines of endeavor; for the careful, intelligent handling of the several state institutions and their wards, observing as far as possible the best lines of modern treatment while at the same time securing for these and for every department of state business the closest possible economy.

"Domestic tranquility and business confidence are intimately related to the public welfare. I shall do all in my power to promote them. I note with pleasure the growing disposition of employers and employees to consider each other's rights and to adjust differences by discussion in a spirit of fairness and equity.

"The routine duties of the office will not be neglected by me, but every effort will be put forth to bring each branch of the state service to a condition of maximum usefulness. The efficiency of the service must never be sacrificed for the sake of political advantage.

"I shall be mindful of the fact that I am the representative of the whole people and shall welcome suggestions from any citizen to the end that the collective wisdom may be brought to bear on all problems.

"If honored by a re-election I shall continue to give the best that is in me to every branch of the public service."

VOLUNTEERS IN SHIP BUILDING WILL NOT BE CALLED VERY SOON

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Men who volunteered for shipbuilding will not be called in any large numbers for some time, the department of Labor announced today.

The men called will be chiefly from the unemployed, unless they are skilled mechanics, and those now holding jobs are advised to stick to them. The public service reserve now has 200,000 men enrolled.

CUSTODY OF ERNEST DAWLER AWARDED TO FATHER AT PORTLAND

The custody of Ernest Dawler, 4-year-old son of Oscar Dawler, was awarded to the father in Judge Gantenbehl's court at Portland Monday. The boy's mother, Mrs. Ethel Dawler, took the boy east to Birch Tree, Mo., and the father made a trip back to Missouri and secured possession of the lad and brought him to Oregon City. The boy was at the Mohaupt home in Maple Lane, when Sheriff Wilson was directed by the Circuit Court of Multnomah county to get the child, but the sheriff found the lad had measles and declined to enforce the court's order.

At a hearing Monday, Mr. Dawler proved, to the satisfaction of the court, that he was legally entitled to possession of his son.

Mrs. Dawler had her husband arrested a few weeks ago on charges of kidnapping and non-support.

BILLS AFFECTING SELECTIVE DRAFT BEING CONSIDERED

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Army draft legislation, renewal of controversy over Government reorganization and the Administration bill for war finance corporation, will occupy most of this week at the capital.

Bills affecting operation of the selective draft law are pending before both Senate and House, with much pressure for immediate action.

The Senate bill changing the basis of quotas from state population to the number of men in Class One is on the House calendar, with its opponents insisting upon a substitute which would base quotas upon total registration and liability to service. Senate military committee members plan to seek early consideration of the War Department's bill subjecting to registration youths reaching 21 years of age since June 5, 1917.

FRENCH PREMIER SAYS FIRING SQUAD FOR PRO GERMANS

BOSTON, March 17.—Premier Clemenceau, of France, has ordered that any pro-German found in the country shall be taken out and shot, according to M. Marcel Knecht, a member of the French high commission, who addressed an assemblage of prominent Jewish business men at the City Club last night.

France was determined to rid the country of pro-German agitators, he said.

COMMUNISTS NAME IS TAKEN IN RUSSIA HEADED BY TROTSKY

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Ambassador Francis today notified the state department by cable that the element that ousted the Kerensky government in Russia has abandoned the name Bolshevik and announced that in the future they would style themselves "The Communists."

Leon Trotsky, former foreign minister of the Bolshevik government, the cable said, is still in Petrograd, acting as commissioner of the revolutionary committee.

METHODISTS FAVOR DEATH

PHILADELPHIA, March 18.—Death for German propagandists and American traitors was advocated today by the Philadelphia conference, Methodist Episcopal church, in resolutions unanimously adopted.

STRIKE IN AUSTRIA

COPENHAGEN, March 18.—The men called will be chiefly from the unemployed, unless they are skilled mechanics, and those now holding jobs are advised to stick to them. The public service reserve now has 200,000 men enrolled.

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