

NEGROES BURNED IN HOMES BY MOB

Many Others Shot Fleeing East St. Louis Flames

DEAD ESTIMATED AT 250

Fire Reaches Business District and Damage Is Put at \$3,000,000.

500 WHITES ARE ARRESTED

Blacks From Nearby Town Said to Plan Invasion; Military Rule Proclaimed.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., July 3.—Fires were burning in five sections of East St. Louis at 1 o'clock this morning and at least 20 dead negro bodies and crowded hospitals testified to the terror that reigned here last night while mob after mob swept the streets seeking negroes whom they might slay.

At this hour it was impossible to make an accurate estimate of the number of dead. But this was known: Five negro sections of the city were fired by mobs, terrorized negroes fled from their burning homes only to meet bullets from the guns of the rioters, four other negroes were shot by snipers and two were lynched.

More Than 100 Dead.
One white man was killed by a negro sniper, and before the burning began tonight four negroes and one white man were killed. This included the detective sergeant, whose death at the hands of a negro mob late Sunday night was the direct cause of the outbreak Monday afternoon and Monday night.

Estimates of the number of dead run up to 100 and higher, but these estimates are purely conjectural. The exact number slaughtered probably will never be known, as it is thought that many bodies were consumed in the flames.

Troops Scattered Over City.
Adjutant-General Frank S. Dickson arrived shortly after midnight and took charge of the situation. He said the troops would be distributed in small groups throughout the city today and that they would be instructed to disperse every gathering of persons for any purpose whatever.

"We intend to see to it that crowds do not have opportunity to gather today," said Adjutant-General Dickson. "In this way it will be possible to nip any disturbance in the bud."
At 1 A. M. the fires were under control. Rioters for the most part had dispersed.

Five Hundred Leaders Arrested.
In answer to a question as to why the troops on the ground when the trouble developed did not use force to put down the rioting, General Dickson said the purposes for which the soldiers were sent here had been gained without firing a shot and that wholesale bloodshed would have been the result of any firing on the part of the troops.

"Five hundred ringleaders of the mob, I am informed, are now under arrest," said General Dickson. "This was accomplished by surrounding the rioters and forcing them to submit without shooting or employing the bayonet."
General Dickson said after the 500 were taken into custody the disturbance at once took on a less serious aspect.

At 8:30 o'clock tonight a mob of 300 armed men charged into a negro district on Third street. Nearly every member of the mob carried a flaming torch. Before they could start a new blaze, however, 200 guardsmen charged with fixed bayonets. The troops fired a volley over the heads of the mob, which then dispersed.

Soldiers Stop Battle.

A battle between whites and blacks broke out at the east entrance to the St. Louis municipal bridge. Guardsmen hurried there in trucks and ended the combat. One of the white men killed tonight was Tom Moore, of Granite City. He was standing beside a soldier when a bullet struck him. The shot apparently was intended for the soldier.
The mob obtained ghastly amusement.

GERMANS PLOT TO WRECK LAKE SHIPS

"ACCIDENTS" NOW FOUND TO BE DEEDS OF ENEMIES.

Three Vessels Sunk, One Burned, One Disabled and Channel Buoys Changed by Conspirators.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Secret investigation by Government agents has disclosed the existence of a conspiracy to destroy or hinder shipping on the Great Lakes and thereby delay organization of American war armies and check the flow of food and munitions material from the Western states to the Atlantic Coast.

This plot, engineered by Germans, assisted by sympathizing American citizens, is believed to have been responsible for the succession of "accidents" to lake shipping, especially in the neighborhood of Sault Ste. Marie Canal, which began about a month ago. Three vessels have been sunk, one burned and another disabled.

All of these vessels had been or were about to be taken over by the Navy Department and what were believed to have been accidents are now considered the acts of conspirators seeking to hamper the Government in the prosecution of the war.

The official investigation has made it certain that some of the acts of sabotage committed upon American shipping and tampering with the canal locks have been done by persons who found refuge when pursued behind the famous islands and in the narrow waterways on the Canadian side of the border.

DOG GONE, CONSTABLE SUED

New State License Law for Canines Is Attacked.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—Constable Howard Church today had his first roundup with the new state dog license law, when Roy Bellows, a prominent Roseburg merchant, refused to pay the license and sued to repeal his dog and recover \$50 damages. The complaint charges that the law is unconstitutional and provides for double taxation, as dogs are personal property and subject to tax. Judge Hamilton will hear the case Thursday, and it will probably be taken to the Supreme Court.

The law became effective yesterday.

BUSINESS MEN HELP BOYS

Roseburg Scouts Are at Work and Cannot Hoe Beans.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—Forty husky business and professional men displayed patriotism this afternoon clearing weeds from three acres planted to beans by Boy Scouts of this city. The laborers with hoes and other implements went to work in automobiles.

At 6 o'clock a luncheon was served by the Red Cross Society and Honor Guard Girls. The adults did the work because most of the boys have accepted employment in the country and cannot care for the beans.

SPANISH UNREST GROWING

Suspension of Constitutional Guarantees Ineffective.

PARIS, July 2.—The situation in Spain appears to be going from bad to worse. The gravity of the crisis is confirmed by such news as reaches Paris.

The Madrid correspondent of the Petit Parisien, telegraphing Sunday, says suspension of constitutional guarantees by the government has not removed the unrest in Spain.

PAROLED MEN EARN MONEY

Former Oregon Prisoners Make Fine Showing as Good Citizens.

SALEM, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—Paroled prisoners from the penitentiary earned \$145,162.24 since July, 1915, and \$14,879.30 during May, when 216 reported, according to the report of Parole Officer Keller, just filed with Governor Withycombe.

The average monthly earning was \$22.03.

U. S. FLYERS IN 14 FIGHTS

Lafayette Corps in Week Also Makes 22 Reconnoissances.

FRENCH FRONT IN FRANCE, July 2.—(By the Associated Press.)—During the week ending June 24, the Lafayette flying squadron made 22 reconnoissances over the enemy's lines, a total of 78 machines participating.

The flyers brought back important information and fought 14 aerial combats.

CLOTURE TO BE TRIED IN FOOD BILL FIGHT

Administration Leaders to Force Vote.

ACTION THIS WEEK IS PLANNED

Control Extended to Fuel and Many Other Necessities.

BONE DRY IS CHIEF ISSUE

President Is Reported Willing to Accept Rule Over Manufacture of Beer and Wines—Quorum Is Unlikely July 4.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Controversy in the Senate over the food control and its prohibition feature reached such an acute stage today that formal steps were taken by Administration leaders to limit debate and force a final vote this week by invoking, for the first time, the Senate's new cloture rule.

Within half an hour many more than the necessary 16 Senators' signatures to a cloture motion were secured.

Senator Chamberlain, in charge of the bill, announced to the Senate later that he would offer the motion tomorrow and ask for a vote upon it Thursday.

Two-Thirds Vote Required.

Its adoption would require a two-thirds vote and thereafter would limit each Senator's time upon the bill and all amendments to one hour.

Many Senators say that until the prohibition issue is settled the necessary two-thirds vote for cloture cannot be obtained. Others point out, however, that the vote on shutting off debate at least "will show up" on record those not in favor of expediting the bill as desired by the President.

Control Is Extended.

The movement for use of the cloture rule came after the Senate had adopted the section by a vote of 42 to 18 extending Government control, in addition to food and fuels, to iron and steel, copper, cotton, wool, hides and skins, lead, aluminum, fertilizers, farm implements, hemp, and other binding twine materials and their products.

A skirmish on prohibition occurred just before the Senate recessed tonight to meet an hour earlier than usual tomorrow. The "wets" and "drys" clashed when Senator Penrose, opposing any attempt at cloture, suggested that prohibition's friends had been delaying action. Senator Jones of Washington vehemently denied the charge and asserted that the delay had been caused by prohibition opponents.

Committee Reopens Fight.

Senator Sheppard asked unanimous consent for a vote tomorrow on the liquor question, but Senator Penrose objected.

The dispute over prohibition was (Concluded on Page 3, Column 2.)

PLEA FOR SAFE AND SANE FOURTH MADE

FIRE MARSHAL WELLS ASKS CITIZENS TO CO-OPERATE.

"Make Oregon Free From Fatalities and Fires," Is Request of State Official.

SALEM, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—Under a heading, "The Fearful Fourth," State Fire Marshal Wells today issued the following bulletin:

"Six years ago careless handling of fireworks and other explosives used in celebrating the Fourth of July resulted in the death of 215 persons and the injury of 5092. Statistics show a steady progress for the idea of a safe and sane celebration. In 1916 but 50 persons died from injuries received from fireworks and like explosives and only \$29 were injured. Of those injured 452 received their burns from giant crackers and toy cannon; 241 were injured by lighting fireworks. There were 11 victims of fatal burning from sparks igniting their clothing and many hundreds of thousands of dollars of property was destroyed by fire.

"What is going to be the toll of the fearful Fourth this year? The State Fire Marshal Department is hoping that each citizen will do his 'bit' in preventing persons from being injured by handling explosives of any kind or nature on the Fourth. The citizens of this state can celebrate without taking the chances of injuring those dear to them and the destruction of property.

"In addition to the loss by the use of explosives many will drive into the country to spend the Fourth in the open. A reduction of speed will prevent accidents on the usually traveled road.

"The State Fire Marshal Department is again impugning the citizens of this state to make Oregon free this Fourth from fatalities and fires."

SENATOR ACCUSES JURY

Crowd of Thirsty Awaits Liquor Ships That Do Not Arrive.

MARSHFIELD, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—Senator I. S. Smith last night, in addressing a meeting called to consider the bootlegging situation at the Baptist Church, declared the county grand jury was lax in its methods, as he understood it refused to bring indictments against bootleggers who had been convicted in the Marshfield Municipal Court. He criticized the custom of taking liquor from vessels and making no arrests.

"There is a marked shortage of liquor on Coos Bay, although there is a large crowd here, many of whom expected to be supplied."

WRONG MAN IS PICKED

Dan Ferris, I. W. W., Mixes With Marine Officer to His Sorrow.

CENTRALIA, Wash., July 2.—(Special.)—Dan Ferris, an I. W. W., who has been arrested before, was taken into custody by the police Saturday afternoon after he had attacked Sergeant Percy Pizor, local marine recruiting officer.

Ferris boasted that he had at one time been heavyweight champion of the marine corps. He picked the wrong man on whom to prove his claim, however, as he was taken to the City Jail in an unconscious condition following the encounter.

CHINESE EMPEROR PLACED ON THRONE

President Li Agrees to Resign Seat.

PEKIN IS TAKEN BY SURPRISE

Civil War Between North and South Regarded Likely.

AID TO ENTENTE UNLIKELY

Monarchical Coup d'Etat Comes as Peace Is Being Restored Among Factions—Army Believed to Be Against President.

TIENTSIN, July 2.—Hsuan Tung, the young Emperor, according to reports from Peking today, has taken possession of the palace occupied by President Li Yuan Hung and is surrounded by prominent military leaders.

A demand was made upon President Li that he resign in favor of Hsuan Tung. The President replied that he would resign in favor of the Vice-President, as he was unable to resign in favor of the Emperor.

The first intimation that foreigners in Peking received of General Chang Hsun's coup was the appearance in the streets of the capital of strong bodies of troops. The Emperor was taken into the palace at 3 o'clock in the morning under guard of Chang Hsun's soldiers. According to some reports, the Emperor was crowned immediately, and, according to others, there was no ceremony.

President Thought Prisoner.

President Li Yuan Hung is believed to be a prisoner in the hands of the military leaders.

Peking telegrams and letters are subject to censorship and all government offices are under guard. General Chang's action was unexpected and most of the foreign diplomatic representatives were away from the capital for the week-end. All the military movements are reported to have been carried out with the greatest precision.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—General Chang Hsun's sudden coup d'etat to destroy republicanism in China and restore the Manchou dynasty has produced a discouraging shock among officials here who believed China's internal troubles were at an end.

Open civil war is feared between Chang Hsun's followers and the Manchou supporters on the one hand and the northern republicans and the united south on the other. The northern military leaders, whose attitude is not clear, are considered to hold the balance of power, for it is felt that if they join Chang Hsun he will be able to obtain control of North China and perhaps subdue the south.

The official dispatches show that Chang Hsun, instead of having cast (Concluded on Page 2, Column 3.)

6000 ELECTRICIANS TO VOTE ON STRIKE

CAUSE OF "HELLO GIRLS" IS CHAMPIONED BY DELEGATES.

Telephone Communication of Coast Would Be Crippled if Workers Thursday Decide to Quit.

TACOMA, Wash., July 2.—(Special.)—Whether a strike of 6000 electrical workers and several thousand girls, telephone operators, which would completely demoralize telephone communication on the Pacific Coast, is to be called, will be decided Thursday night.

A conference held by delegates of the 10 locals of Washington in Tacoma today called for a strike vote in every local on the Coast for Thursday.

The strike talk has been in the air for some weeks and started with the strike of 23 telephone operators in Aberdeen. The girls, it is said, wanted the right to unionize and certain changes in wages. The demands were refused by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company.

Vice-President Grasser, of the International Electricians' Union, went to Aberdeen and made an exhaustive investigation of the situation. He called the meeting in Tacoma, which resulted in the order for the strike vote.

Members of the Tacoma Electrical Workers' Union refused to talk regarding the result of the meeting, saying that the officers were the only ones authorized to talk. Officers of the union could not be located.

From other sources, however, it was learned that electrical workers have been quietly organizing for the strike for the past two weeks.

Local officers of the telephone company said that they did not expect any trouble, and that so far as they knew, no action had yet been taken by the local union regarding a strike.

Tacoma electricians took no action on the telephone strike question at their meeting tonight, and denied that they had given out a report regarding a proposed tie-up. Union officials intimated that the strike rumor must have emanated from the telephone company.

SHIPS MAY BE TAKEN SOON

Business to Be Warned to Prepare for Requisition.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Secretary Redfield is preparing to warn business that the Government may find it necessary to requisition shipping tonnage within a short time.

Industrialists will be told they should adjust their affairs accordingly.

25 MILLION LENT BRITAIN

Total Loans by United States Are Now \$1,043,000,000.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Twenty-five million dollars was placed to the credit of Great Britain today by Secretary McAdoo.

This brings the loans to that nation up to \$535,000,000 and the total loaned all the allies to \$1,043,000,000.

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RUSSIANS GAIN GREAT VICTORY

War Minister Leads Attack in Person.

10,000 PRISONERS TAKEN

Big Guns Also Captured, Despite Traitors' Unfolding of Plan of Attack.

TURKS ARE DEFEATED, TOO

Ottomans Are Routed in Caucasus and Pursued by Cavalry Force.

PETROGRAD, July 2.—Russia has resumed the offensive. More than 10,000 prisoners, many guns and other articles of war material and several strongly fortified Austro-German positions in Galicia prove it. They bear testimony to the mighty smash delivered July 1, the precise time set for an offensive by War Minister Kerensky several weeks ago in a communication to the United States Government.

The brilliant Russian advance, the news of which has sent a wave of rejoicing through the entire country, was led by War Minister Kerensky in person.

Action Replaces Oratory.

For the last four days the War Minister has been continuously at the front, spending every effort to urge the troops to advance. He finally rode to the front-line trenches, and, placing himself at the head of the troops, gave the order to advance.

The spectacle of the popular War Minister on the firing line accomplished what oratory had failed to do, and the Russian line swept forward into the German trenches.

The heretofore lethargic, monstrous army punished the forces of the enemy Kaisers most severely. The attacks were as vicious as the recent fraternizing with the foe had been foolhardy.

Turks Routed, Too.

The Turks, too, felt the strength of the reorganized arms of the revolutionary army. The Ottomans, in the Caucasus, were routed, and at last reports from headquarters Russian cavalry was pursuing them unmercifully. The Turkish stronghold of Kalamirivan, southeast of Lake Deribar, was stormed and the village of Engidja, north of the lake, was occupied.

In the assault on the Austro-Germans in Galicia the Russians occupied the strongly fortified position southwest of Brezany, and also Konichy, on the river of the same name.

Russians Lose Heavy, Too.

At the latter place more than 8500 Teutons, including 164 officers, were taken prisoner, seven heavy guns were captured and the victors advanced to the river. Late reports said prisoners continue to come in from this sector.

In the Brezany sector nine officers and 1700 German, Austrian and Turkish troops were captured.

The victories were costly to the Russians, the loss among officers being extremely heavy.

Soldiers in Excellent Spirits.

Up to the hour of telegraphing, the advance of the Russian army in Galicia was still in progress. A dispatch received by the War Minister says that the staff of the Russian army in Galicia is more than satisfied with the progress made.

Never was an offensive so auspiciously begun. The local army staff was pleased with the speed of the advance, as the operation which the staff had expected would take two days was executed between the hours of 2 and 9.

All of the latest telegrams to the War Ministry agreed that the soldiers are in excellent spirits, and the Ministry authorizes the statement that preparations as regards munitions and equipment are in better shape than in any preceding period of the war. Lieutenant Perrin, chief of the War Ministry information department, has just returned from the front, where he witnessed M. Kerensky's crusade in favor of an immediate offensive.

