

AUSTRIA LITERALLY
CRYING FOR PEACE

Report Reaches Copenhagen
All Thought of Territorial
Expansion Discarded.

FOOD RIOTS ARE FREQUENT

Pope's Peace Views Made Public in
London—President Wilson May
Decide to Address Congress
on Papal Note.

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 24.—An Austria which is literally crying for peace, which has discarded any thought of territorial expansion and is even willing to buy its way out of the war by territorial sacrifices, on the Italian front and in Galicia, an Austria of frequent food riots, unable to last through another winter of war, an Austria whose population would rise in revolution if any reasonable peace offer were rejected by the government, is pictured by an intelligent Austrian who has arrived from Vienna in a long talk with the correspondent today he told a story which, though perhaps unduly pessimistic, explains the persistence of Count Czernin, Austrian Foreign Minister, and of Emperor Charles in returning again and again to the subject of peace negotiations.

This Austrian, who spent several days in Berlin, on his way to Copenhagen, had an opportunity to talk with representatives of the German Foreign Office, including Baron von dem Busche-Haddenhausen, the under-secretary and other prominent Germans of the stamp of Professor Hans Delbrück, of the University of Berlin; Philipp Scheidemann, the Socialist leader, and Maximilian Harden, editors of the Zukunft. He said that all of these men with the exception of Herr Harden were convinced peace was coming before winter.

Poorer Classes Suffer for Food.
Food conditions in Vienna were described as worse than is usually imagined for the poorer classes of the population, though a fairly comfortable existence may be maintained with money.

Conditions are much better in the provinces, and in Lemberg, Cracow and other places in Galicia, which this Austrian recently visited there was no difficulty in procuring food. Nevertheless, he said, there have been food riots in many places. These usually were of a minor character, accompanied by much breaking of glass, but as a rule without loss of life, and they subsided when the government proclamations were issued that a state of siege might be expected. It was his opinion that they would assume a more serious character if the war should last into the winter.

Young Emperor Is Popular.
According to this informant, Hungarians, and partly the Magyar ruling classes, are weary of the war than are the Austrians, although anxious for peace. He described the young Emperor as a man of really great popularity, and of many leading persons of influence in the country who kept the threads of public policy in his own hands. He did not hesitate to strike out on his own. He was thought it best. The recent amnesty to political offenders as described as the Emperor's own idea, adopted contrary to the advice of many leading statesmen. It is said to have resulted in increased confidence in the sovereign and better feeling in political circles to such an extent that the measure was justified.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—Telegrams received here from Rome say that prominent persons at the Vatican interpreting the papal peace note as a proclamation of belief in an indemnity is necessary for the restoration of Belgium and northern France and also that the Pope believes an indemnity for restoration of Serbia is essential, but did not mention it in his note, as he believed the whole Balkan question could be dealt with more effectively by negotiation as a separate problem.

Germany's Consent Sought.
From the same source it is said that issuance of the peace note was preceded by official overtures to Germany, with prominent Germans in an endeavor to obtain Germany's consent to provisions for restoration of invaded territories.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—President Wilson may decide to address Congress on peace at the same time he makes reply to Pope Benedict's peace proposals. In that case he would not only inform the country on the question, but also enable members of Congress to carry the Government's views home to the people when Congress adjourns.

No indications of the President's plans had come from the White House today, but the possibility of his discussing the subject before Congress in this way and subsequently before the Nation was being considered at the Capitol as a probability.

BRITISH TRENCHES FALL

(Continued From First Page.)

hold of the Germans fronting Verdun, fell into French hands at dawn today. The French infantry who had almost encircled the hill in previous attacks, charged the German positions in a brilliant dash and carried them by storm, capturing the remainder of the Germans entrenched. Not content with this splendid achievement, the French advanced a further 2000 yards and made possession of the hill doubly secure.

Hill 304, together with Le Mort Homme, commands all the ravines and approaches as far as Douaumont. The loss of these positions deprives the Germans of all observation points from which they could watch the French movements.

BERLIN, via London, Aug. 24.—The evacuation by the Germans of Hill 304, the famous stronghold on the Verdun front, is announced by the German press. It is said a weak garrison was left there.

British Lose 21 Tanks.
The German general staff reports that the British lost 21 tanks during futile fighting on Wednesday. Some of the occupants were made prisoner.

Troops under Prince Leopold of Bavaria, advancing on the Russian city of Riga, have reached the Riga coast, at some places on the Gulf of Riga coast, the German general staff announced today.

On the British front, the statement says, the Germans today wrested from their opponents the gains recently made by them south of the Ypres-Menin road.

PARIS, Aug. 24.—The French made an attack this morning on the left bank of the Meuse between Avocourt and Dead Man Hill. The War Office an-

nounces the capture of Hill 304, Camard wood and the fortified works between Haucourt wood and Bethincourt. The French gained more than their objectives, advancing to an average depth of two kilometers (1 1/4 miles).

Italians Get Sixty Guns.
An attack by the French, east of the road between Ennes and Bethincourt enabled them to enlarge their positions north of Dead Man Hill to the extent of a kilometer.

ROME, Aug. 24.—The War Office reports that the battle on the Isonzo front continues and that about 60 guns have been captured.

General Cadorna announces that the Italians yesterday stormed new Austrian positions, broke up violent counter attacks made by the enemy and took a large number of Austro-Hungarian prisoners.

More than 20,000 prisoners, the War Office statement says, have been removed from the Austro-Italian front by the Italians.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—The British, French and Russian forces have captured 167,780 war prisoners since April 9, when the 1917 campaign opened according to a statement issued by the British War Department this evening.

YOUNG SOLDIER DROWNS

SEARGENT MAX W. MEYER LONES
LIFE IN CLACKAMAS.

Member of Hospital Unit Is Swept Into
Whirlpool When Bathing Near
Camp Withcombe.

First Sergeant Max W. Meyer, 24, of the Third Oregon Hospital Corps, and formerly a meat inspector in the city Bureau of Health, was drowned in the Clackamas River yesterday.



Sergeant Max W. Meyer, Member of Third Oregon Hospital Corps, Drowned in Clackamas River Yesterday.

The Clackamas River near Camp Withcombe yesterday afternoon while attempting to swim the stream. Late yesterday the body had not been recovered.

A shortage of water supply at Camp Withcombe recently resulted in official permission for squads of men to visit the Clackamas River for bathing. Strict orders were issued, however, against swimming, for the current is rapid and treacherous.

Lieutenant W. B. Jackson and Lieutenant Raymond D. Daniels, of Battery A, accompanied a company of soldiers to the river yesterday afternoon. They found Sergeant Meyer and a score of comrades already bathing. Sergeant Meyer was swimming toward the opposite bank.

He was a strong swimmer and the bank was near, but the current carried him into a whirlpool and he suddenly sank.

Comrades volunteered to swim across and enter the perilous water, but were restrained by the officers because of the danger of futile sacrifice. Boats were procured and the river was dragged, the searchers working until darkness prevented them, but no trace of the body was found.

Sergeant Meyer's home was at Roseburg, where his father-in-law, R. E. Hunt, is a veterinarian.

EX-WAR CHIEF ON TRIAL

RUSSIAN SENATE TAKES UP
CHARGES OF TREASON.

General Soukhomlinoff and Wife Are
Prosecuted for Alleged Aid to
Germany and Austria.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 24.—The case against General W. A. Soukhomlinoff, ex-Minister of War, who is charged with high treason, and his wife, accused of being an accomplice, came yesterday before the cassation department of the Senate, assisted for the first time in Russia by a jury.

The accused are defended by three advocates. The witnesses number more than twenty, including Michael Rodzianko, President of the Senate; Professor Paul Miliukoff, ex-Foreign Minister; Grand Duke Sergius, in his capacity of former Inspector-General of artillery; General Alexei Polivanoff, ex-Minister of War; Admiral Ivan Grigorovitch, ex-Minister of Marine, and other persons prominent in civil and military life. The trial is being conducted publicly, but the first hearing attracted little attention.

General Soukhomlinoff, one of the prominent reactionaries of the old regime in Russia, was accused officially in June of the communication of military information to German and Austrian spies in 1911 and 1912. The General also was charged with having neglected, while Minister of War, to stimulate the production of ammunition, the shortage of which was held to be largely responsible for Russian reverses.

I. W. W. DAMAGE JAIL

Windows Are Broken, but Disturbances
Are Put on Bread and Water.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—All windows except one in the County Jail were broken last night by I. W. W. prisoners, who are a result of this outbreak have been placed on a bread and water diet. Other I. W. W. prisoners will be treated in a like manner.

For days there have been frequent sessions of ribald shouting and singing. It was especially true when visitors were in the jail. The men seemed to want to call attention to themselves.

Again at night, after supper was served and until lights were out, the I. W. W. made night hideous for the neighborhood.

HABEAS CORPUS IS
DENIED TO I. W. W.

Spokane Court Declines to Interfere With U. S. Military Authorities.

MANY AGITATORS GERMAN

Plasterers' Union Denounces Action of Central Labor Body and Demands Repudiation by Building Trades Council.

SPOKANE, Aug. 24.—A petition for a writ of habeas corpus in behalf of James Rowan, district secretary of the I. W. W., and 17 others arrested with him last Sunday by Major Clement Wilkins, in command of Idaho Guardsmen, was denied in Superior Court today.

Judge Oswald, who heard arguments and evidence on the petition, ruled that Major Wilkins' answer showed that he was acting as a duly authorized officer of the United States, and that in those circumstances the State Court had no jurisdiction in the matter.

Examination of Rowan, who ordered a strike of agricultural and construction workers of the Northwest, and others of the men being held as military prisoners, is preliminary to a court-martial, Major Wilkins said today after the habeas corpus hearing.

Rowan's examination has not been concluded, it was stated.

Resolutions denouncing the I. W. W. as unpatriotic and anarchistic were passed today by the Spokane Stock Exchange.

Plasterers Are Loyal.

The local Plasterers' Union has withdrawn from the Labor day parade because of the passage of a resolution by the Central Labor Council last Monday night demanding the release of the I. W. W. The plasterers demand that the Building Trades Council repudiate the action of the Central Labor Council.

A meeting of local Socialists has been called for next Sunday night for the announced purpose of protesting against the arrest of the I. W. W. Lumber and millworkers met last night at Socialist Hall, it became known today, and passed resolutions denouncing the arrest.

Evidence that many of the Industrial Workers of the World who have been fomenting strikes through the Northwest are German citizens and draft evaders was introduced at the habeas corpus hearing today by United States District Attorney Garrecht.

Assistant State Attorney-General Henderson, called as a witness for the Government, said he was here as a personal representative of Governor Lister.

Many I. W. W. Germans.
He told of reports received by his office of efforts of I. W. W. to damage fruit trees and otherwise to practice sabotage.

United States Marshal McGovern testified that many I. W. W. arrested in his district, as well as in other parts of the state, had been proved to be German citizens and others had not registered for military service.

Prosecuting Attorney White testified that examination of the men arrested had developed indications that many of them were disbelievers in religion, carriers of organized government, and said his office has received numerous complaints of persons being beaten and thrown from trains by I. W. W.

Major Wilkins introduced a telegram from Colonel Dentler, commander of this military district, authorizing him to hold any men in military custody, declaring he had received reports that I. W. W. were giving aid to enemies of the United States and had been directing an attack upon the Government.

CAMP TO BE COMPLETED

Forty-First Division Not to Go to
Palo Alto, However.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 24.—Camp Fremont at Palo Alto, Cal., which was ordered abandoned by the War Department last Wednesday, may be completed with state authorities over the sewerage question, will be completed as a training camp for National Guardsmen, according to a telegram received here today by Mayor Ralph from United States Senator Phelan.

Secretary Baker was assured that the sewerage work would not exceed \$80,000 in cost.

In his telegram Senator Phelan, quoting Secretary of War Baker, said that "the 41st division will go into camp at Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C., and in no event would they have remained more than six weeks in California."

ALLEGED PLOTTER IS HELD

Hindu, Arrested on India Conspiracy Charge, Is Under Bond.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 24.—Tarak Nath Das, who is declared by Federal authorities to be a ringleader in an alleged plot to foment a revolution against British rule in India, for which he was recently indicted by the Federal grand jury, together with a hundred or more Germans and Hindus, was arrested on his arrival here today on a trans-Pacific steamer. He was held in \$10,000 bail.

Das came here voluntarily to face trial, according to United States District Attorney W. Preston. He is a professor of political economy in a Japanese university.

MILL CLOSING CONFIRMED

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Plants With Contracts Will Work.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 24.—Robert B. Allen, secretary of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association, today confirmed the report, published yesterday, that all sawmills in the Pacific Northwest, except those cutting spruce and those having Government contracts, would close until January 1. Oregon mills still operating are filing Government orders and making ship timbers, Allen said.

Reports from several mill points say the men are leaving to seek work elsewhere.

POOL IN HAY IS CHARGED

Federal Investigation in Washington Is Requested.

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throughout the state today began a sweeping investigation of charges that hay brokers and others are involved in a conspiracy to fix a high price for hay.

Dairymen say they will be obliged to advance the retail price of milk to 15 cents a quart by October if the price of hay continues to increase. It has been reported to the Federal investigators that hay brokers and other buyers from Seattle and elsewhere in Western Washington now are out with offers for hay of far more than the prevailing market price for farmers, who will hold their product for future delivery. The five-dollar hay they declare is a possibility.

The threatened high price of hay also has been called to the attention of Food Administrator Hoover.

LIQUOR CASES ARE HEARD

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Good Times Are Ahead for Grays Harbor Fishermen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—Chinook salmon, the first runs of which started on Grays Harbor this week, are bringing 10 1/2 cents a pound at the Aberdeen market. It is expected that a number of Columbia River fishermen will come here after the closing of the Columbia River season, August 25. The first runs this year are earlier than usual.

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DISEASE ATTACKS BERLIN

Savings of Fuel and Soap Denounced by Paper as Rank Folly.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 24.—The proposed prohibition of bathing at home in Germany to save fuel and soap is called rank folly by the Voelksische Zeitung, of Berlin. The paper says many public baths already are closed owing to a lack of coal, and attributes notable increases in skin diseases, dysentery and other disorders to enforced uncleanness.

The Nord Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung also points out the increase in cases of dysentery in Berlin, a high percentage of which is fatal, while cholera, spreading, also is causing uneasiness.

DISLOYALTY CHARGE LAID

Ernest Hansen, Lewiston Carpenter, Held to Grand Jury.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Aug. 24.—(Special.)—Ernest Hansen, a carpenter, was arrested and given a preliminary hearing yesterday on the charge of disloyalty to the Government. The defendant offered no testimony in his own behalf and a special Government agent was in possession of incriminating evidence, he was bound over to the Federal grand jury.

Hansen was under surveillance for several weeks and his arrest was made by William P. Morrissey, commander of the Second Montana Infantry, now stationed at Lewiston.

M. DUVAL HELD AS SPY

Director of Bonnet Rouge Liable to Capital Punishment.

PARIS, Aug. 24.—M. Duval, director of the Bonnet Rouge, whose director, Miguel Almeraya, committed suicide August 15, after being arrested on the charge of sedition, was today turned over to the military authorities by an examining magistrate.

M. Duval had been charged with trading with the enemy, but, according to the police, evidence collected in the investigation proved that the Bonnet Rouge director, instead of trading with countries hostile to France, supplied the enemy with information. This charge involves capital punishment.

RUSSIANS RETAKE TRENCH

Teutons Ejected From Position Captured Near Krendshen.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 24.—The Russian official statement issued today makes no mention of fighting in the Riga region, saying that on the Russian front there were only fusillades and scouting operations.

On the Roumanian front the Austro-Germans last night attacked the Russian-Roumanian positions near the village of Krendshen and after occupying part of the trenches the defenders were ejected by counter attacks.

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NAVAJO SINKS DIVER

American Tanker Hits U-Boat
Squarely on Periscope.

THREE ATTACKS ARE MADE

Oil Steamer Catches Fire From
Broken Fuel Pipe and Is
Destroyed at Sea—Crew
of 27 Reaches Port.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 24.—Three times a German diver attacked the Standard Oil tank steamer Navajo as it was returning from Europe, and the third time, after a battle of four hours, a shot from the American ship carried away the submarine periscope, causing its destruction.

Subsequently, on August 15, the explosion of a fuel pipe set fire to the Navajo, and the ship was destroyed. The story of the destruction of the Navajo and the sinking of the submarine was brought to this port today by members of the crew of 27, who were rescued.

The Navajo had three separate encounters with the submarine before she sank her. One of the officers said, "She first met the German craft off the Irish coast and drove her off. The next day firing was heard, and a large sailing vessel appeared pursued by what those on the Navajo identified as the same U-boat."

The German sank the sailing vessel and then engaged the Navajo for a second time, until a British hydro-airplane appeared and the U-boat submerged.

A fog settled down and the airplane returned to shore. When the fog lifted the U-boat was found still lurking near and the third engagement ensued. The tanker was damaged in the stern, but registered a hit "squarely beneath the U-boat's periscope." The officers described her as sinking stern first. The Navajo proceeded to France for repairs. When she caught fire on the return trip the crew was rescued.

GUNNER'S MATE PRISONER

James Delaney Captured by Crew of
German Submarine.

BOSTON, Aug. 24.—Mayor Curley announced today that he had received a telegram from the Navy Department at Washington giving official information that James Delaney, of Malden, chief gunner's mate on the torpedoed steamer Campana, was a prisoner in the hands

of the crew of the German submarine. The news was received through the Spanish embassy.

Previous reports had indicated that the submarine which took Delaney and several other gunners from the Campana might have been sunk later.

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