

BIG GERMAN DRIVE STILL CONTINUES

Victorious Troops Cross Tagliamento River.

6000 PRISONERS CAPTURED

Heavy Artillery Fire Precedes Attack on Left Wing.

TRENTINO FRONT IN DANGER

Lloyd George, Hastening to Rome to Counsel With Other Premiers, Stops to Confer With General Pershing at Paris.

BERLIN, Nov. 5. (via London).—Austro-German troops have crossed the middle Tagliamento River in North-east Italy and taken 6000 prisoners, the war office reports. They are advancing toward the west.

ROME, Nov. 5.—The Germans have crossed the Tagliamento River north of Pinzano, about 40 miles from the mouth of the river and about 17 miles northwest of Udine. Pressure upon the Italian right wing is greatly intensified.

Airplanes Bomb Germans. Saturday night and Sunday Italian airplanes and ships effectively bombed hostile troops in the basins of Caporetto and Tolmino and along the left bank of the Tagliamento. On Saturday, in addition to the two machines mentioned yesterday, our aviators brought down three enemy airplanes.

PARIS, Nov. 5.—Before leaving Paris for Rome David Lloyd George, the British Premier, had a long interview with General Pershing. The American commander came especially from the American Army headquarters to meet the British Prime Minister. Field Marshal Haig, the British commander, also was present at the conference.

(By the Associated Press.) ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Nov. 5. 10 A. M.—The reports of heavy artillery fire on both banks of the Tagliamento, with chief pressure on the Italian left wing, shows that Austro-German patrols have crossed the river, as foreseen, and that the enemy is trying to throw his main body into the plain of the Western Front region.

The attack in the Giudicaria Valley on the Trentino front also shows clearly a purpose to make a mass attack from the north.

Situation is Still Grave. Attention is now centered on the strength of the defenses west of the Tagliamento River and on the ability to effect the vast reorganization and oppose the whole force of the concentration of Italian troops and allied reinforcements against the tremendous pressure the enemy is exerting.

All the allies should realize that one of the supreme trials of the war has reached the final stage. The chief pressure of the enemy advance is now being exerted against the newly constituted left wing of the Italian army in an attempt to throw the bulk of the hostile forces across the Tagliamento River and then resort to the enemy's favorite device of a turning movement.

The Tagliamento is the boundary between the Eastern and Western Front regions and having overrun the Eastern region it is the evident purpose of the enemy general staff to profit by speed in throwing its masses into the Western region before the Italians are able to carry out their reformation process.

Time is Chief Factor. Time is the chief factor for Italy in reconstructing her lines and speed is the chief factor for the enemy, although the Marne furnished the warning of the danger in pushing an army ahead too fast.

The Tagliamento is something more than a military obstruction, as it is also relied upon to give time for reorganization. This involves not only fighting and feeding and it is a colossal task to re-establish the deranged subsistence service of a vast army, so that rations may be supplied with that unfailing regularity which keeps up the morale of the troops.

The natural defenses west of the river are also strong, as the region is known as the Holland of Italy, being a network of canals and rivers, most of them running straight across the line of the advancing enemy wave.

American Action Noted. The French troops received an enthusiastic welcome and the presence of the French and English supplies in aspiration throughout the Italian ranks. The American action also was noted with the deepest satisfaction.

It is felt that the allies are now keenly alive to the Italian front and that the legend that there is only one front, on the Flanders line, is ended.

The co-operation of the allies is being watched and accompanied by a patriotic wave throughout Italy. The walls everywhere are covered with patriotic declarations for the defense of the country. The workmen of the great Ansaldo gun and ammunition works united in a telegram to the government.

GRANTS PASS LEADS NATION WITH CASH

COMMUNITY RECREATION SUBSCRIPTIONS POUR IN.

Drive Commenced in West to Raise \$344,000 Apportioned of Total Requirement of \$3,750,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5.—The inauguration of the National campaign for the war-camp community recreation fund today found many Western cities with their quotas already in, according to Western headquarters here. More than 100 cities in the West today began their drive for funds, and it is announced that by the end of this week practically all of the larger cities will have completed their campaigns.

Grants Pass, Or., which led the Nation, turned in its money almost two weeks ago. Los Angeles contributed \$45,000 last Wednesday at a meeting. The sum was raised by 45 minutes in 45 minutes. Sacramento has commenced a drive for \$6000. Those in charge expect to have the money within 48 hours. Tacoma, Seattle and San Diego are planning tag days.

The amount asked of the Nation is \$3,750,000. Of this amount the West is asked to contribute \$344,000. The sum has been apportioned to the various cities according to their population.

MEDFORD, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—At a patriotic meeting held Sunday night at the Presbyterian Church \$243 was raised for the community recreation fund, and a second mass meeting will be held at a local theater tomorrow night, when it is expected the fund will be brought up to the \$300 which is Medford's quota.

The Red Cross Christmas fund campaign closed tonight with a total subscription of \$450. The local Red Cross will send 225 packages to the American soldiers in France as Medford's contribution to the Christmas trees at the front.

PROHIBITION LAW BEATEN

Use of Forged Druggists' Permits Discovered in Washington.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special).—A new method of beating the liquor law was discovered yesterday after it had been in operation, it is believed, for some time.

It was by the use of forged druggists' permits. The permits were printed in regular form and even bore the imprint of the Prescott Spectator, the official paper of this county. Inspection, however, showed that while the wording was duplicated, the type used was unlike any in the Spectator's office. The shipment which came here was 100 gallons of whisky and had been delivered before the officers discovered the scheme.

CO-EDS OUTNUMBER MEN

Usual Condition Reversed at University of Oregon by War.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Nov. 5.—(Special).—For the first time in the history of the University there are more women than men enrolled. According to the student directory issued today by the registrar there are 474 co-eds in residence upon the campus and only 411 men students.

The decrease is due entirely to the war, say University authorities, and point to the fact that the falling off among the men is confined entirely to the upper classes, from which nearly 150 men withdrew to enlist.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SKIPPED

500 Walla Walla People Desert Church to Pick Apples Sunday.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special).—Go-to-Sunday-school day and the call of the Baker-Langdon orchard conflicted yesterday, but the orchard won out when more than 500 people of Walla Walla, including the most prominent, devoted the day to helping the company pick some of its 150,000 boxes of apples. It was estimated that 48,000 boxes of fruit were picked during the day.

The occasion was made a gala one by the pickers, who brought their luncheons.

RETRIAL DENIED BILLINGS

Application in Bomb Case Heard by California Supreme Court.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5.—Warren K. Billings, under sentence of life imprisonment for murder growing out of a bomb explosion here in July, 1916, which claimed ten victims, was refused a hearing by the state Supreme Court here today on his application for a new trial. The state appellate court recently denied his appeal.

Billings was tried on a charge similar to that for which Thomas J. Mooney was sentenced to death.

AIRPLANE RAIDS DAMAGE

Fires Caused During 1916 Number 128; Loss of Life 36.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—What is believed to be the first summary of the results of fires due to German airplane raids over London during 1916 was received here today by Robert Adamson, from the London County Council. This report says there were 128 such fires, resulting in loss of 36 lives and the injury of 28 persons. Throughout the year there were 3104 fires, causing 158 deaths, the summary says, and the property loss approximated \$4,500,000.

GENERAL STRIKE ON COAST IS DEMANDED

Electrical Workers in California Get Edict.

GIRL OPERATORS ARE INCLUDED

District Council Line to Be Split if Plea Is Ignored.

VOTE IS TAKEN AT TACOMA

R. E. Swayne Leaves San Francisco for Los Angeles to Try to Dissuade Members of Unions From Walking Out.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 5.—The Northwest conference of Electrical Workers' and Telephone Operators' unions voted tonight to split the Coast District Council line at California unless the strike votes now being taken in California cities mean immediate walkouts, the split to take effect immediately.

W. F. Delaney, Seattle representative at San Francisco, was not present at the conference.

Delegates from every linemen's and operators' union of Washington and of Portland, Or., were in attendance. The will attempt to dissuade at 2 o'clock, was taken up with the presenting of credentials and review of the Northwest strike situation. C. L. Thompson, of Tacoma Electrical Workers' local, No. 483, was elected chairman, and Matilda M. Grudl, of Tacoma Operators Union, No. 39, secretary.

STRIKING TO BE DISSUADED

Operators' Union Held Recognized by Federal Mediator.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5.—R. E. Swayne, representing local electrical workers' unions of Los Angeles and vicinity, who had been in conference here with officials of the Pacific District Council of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, left tonight for Los Angeles, where he will attempt to dissuade union members employed by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company from striking. This was announced tonight by John Morgenthau, president of the Pacific District Council, who said that Mr. Swayne would explain to union members that "our chief demand, that of recognition of the girl operators' unions, had been indirectly ordered granted by Federal Mediator Vernon Z. Reed."

Mr. Morgenthau said he had not been informed officially of the strike of 35 operators employed by the Southern California Telephone Company at Pasadena. The walkout was reported in press dispatches, together with an intimation that Los Angeles operators would take similar action.

There were no efforts toward mediation.

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EX-QUEEN SHOWN TRAITOR TO GREECE

KAISER KEPT INFORMED AND ASSURED OF SUPPORT.

In Telegram Telling of Food Shortage Entente Forces Are Dubbed "Infamous Pigs."

ATHENS, Greece, Nov. 5.—Lengthy telegrams which passed between ex-Queen Sophie and Emperor William during December, 1916, and the early part of this year, similar in tone to others that have been deciphered, are now made public and show that the Queen again and again urged that the Germans take the offensive on the Macedonian front. Queen Sophie assured the Emperor, her brother, of Greek co-operation.

Field Marshal Von Hindenburg and Foreign Secretary Zimmermann, it appears, could not agree, however, on the time the attack should be made, while the blockade of the allies, causing a shortage of food and munitions in Greece, prevented Greece from acting.

On January 10 the Queen telegraphed the Emperor telling him of this food and ammunition shortage, and concluded: "May the infamous pigs receive the punishment they deserve."

In other telegrams the Queen promised that the Greek artillery would be destroyed if there was danger of its falling into the hands of the entente.

She also kept her brother informed of the actions and intentions of General Sarraïl, commander of the entente forces in Macedonia.

HOG CHOLERA IS COSTLY

Loss in Animals So Great 1,000,000 Soldiers Could Have Been Fed.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Hog cholera killed enough animals last year to have fed one million soldiers a meat ration for five and a half months, the Department of Agriculture announced today.

This enormous loss, the statement said, was unnecessary, as hog cholera to a large extent can be prevented or controlled through vaccination, disinfection and the quarantine of infected herds.

NICARAGUA CLAIMS ISLES

San Andres and Providence Useful in Protection of Panama Canal.

SAN JUAN DEL SUR, Nicaragua, Nov. 5.—It is reported here that Nicaragua has put in a claim to the Colombian Islands of San Andres and Providence, lying off the Mosquito Coast.

It is pointed out that the islands would be useful in the protection of the Panama Canal, as Providence Island would make a good coaling station and San Andres provide a suitable wireless site.

WOMAN IS LETTER CARRIER

Postal Department Is Making Experiment in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The first woman letter carrier, ununiformed, but with a Government badge, will be seen here tomorrow.

She will be on a light route, as an experiment for women substitutes for men, owing to the shortage of men.

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SOLDIER VOTE FOR MAYOR MAY ELECT

Mitchel Makes War Big Issue in New York.

HILLQUIT OPENLY FOR PEACE

60,000 Khaki-Clad Men Will Cast Mayoralty Ballots.

DEMOCRAT EVADES ISSUE

Eyes of Nation Focused on Biggest City Today to Watch Outcome of Fusion Candidate's Vigorous Indorsement of President.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—One of the bitterest political campaigns in this city's history came to a close tonight with the eyes of the Nation looking to New York because two of the four candidates for Mayor have rejected war issues, which make the outcome of tomorrow's election transcend in interest the usual local controversies.

Mayor John Purroy Mitchel, fusion candidate for re-election, has to a large extent subordinated his fight against Tammany Hall by asserting pro-German influences were working to control the election and declaring himself in complete sympathy with President Wilson's policies.

Hillquit Openly for Peace. Morris Hillquit, Socialist, has campaigned openly as a peace advocate. He announced his refusal to purchase liberty loan bonds and said frankly that his election must be construed as a mandate to the Federal Government to begin negotiations to terminate the war.

John F. Hyland, Democratic candidate who has the support of Tammany Hall and the newspapers of William Randolph Hearst, has disregarded war issues as campaign material except that he has resented imputations against his loyalty and has based his fight on attacks on the Mitchel administration.

William M. Bennett has centered his campaign on Tammany and the Mitchel regime.

Political Situation Unique. The unique political situation in which the metropolis finds itself on the eve of its first wartime election in many years was frankly puzzling tonight even to veteran campaigners. Counting the soldier votes, abroad and at many camps and cantonments in America, it is predicted that approximately 700,000 ballots will be cast. It was conceded that those of the men under arms, estimated at 60,000, might swing the election.

Three of the candidates devoted a period of campaigning at Camp Upton, where many of New York's citizens are training for service abroad. Hillquit was barred from speaking there, the military authorities holding that

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SABOTAGE MENACE TO BE STAMPED OUT

DRASTIC CAMPAIGN AGAINST AGITATORS EXPECTED.

Disturbances Fomented by I. W. W. Hampering Government in Building Air Fleets.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Convinced that pro-German agencies are at work to hinder the aircraft production programme, officials believe a drastic campaign against agitators may be necessary, reaching to the spruce forests of the Northwest, where the wood for airplanes is being cut.

Numerous cases of sabotage have been reported from mills that are cutting the airplane wood. Labor disturbances fomented by the Industrial Workers of the World have also been hampering the Government in building air fleets.

The menace takes the form of accidents to mill machinery, fires in important lumber yards, boiler explosions and other happenings that might be due to chance or to carelessness. The regularity with which they have occurred, however, convinces officials here that a definite sabotage campaign has been organized by hidden enemies which must be stamped out.

KARL MUCK STORM CENTER

Boston Symphony Orchestra Forbidden to Play in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 5.—The police commissioner of Baltimore today sent an order to the manager of the Lyric Theater forbidding the performance of the Boston Symphony Orchestra Wednesday night on the ground that the public safety of the community would be endangered.

The action came at the recommendation of the grand jury, and after plans had been perfected for a huge mass meeting tomorrow at which leading men of the state will denounce the attitude of Dr. Karl Muck toward playing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

CAR OF BEANS SHIPPED

Corvallis Has Record Acreage Devoted to Crop.

CORVALLIS, Or., Nov. 5.—(Special).—In spite of the fact that the excessively dry weather this year permitted the raising of less than a third of a bean crop, the acreage was so increased that the first carload of beans ever shipped out of Corvallis left here today for Chicago. Another car will follow in a few days.

Beans this year are averaging only about 600 pounds to the acre.

RAINS END FOREST FIRES

State Forester Elliott Announces Danger Season in Oregon Over.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 5.—Forest fires in Southern Oregon, mainly in Douglas, Coos, Curry, Josephine and Jackson counties, have been extinguished by the rains of the last several days, State Forester Elliott announced today.

The rains have closed the fire season in Oregon.

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"High Officials" Taken to Refer to Mayor or Chief.

PROMPT ACTION PROMISED

Removal of Gill or Police Head or Both, if Connection With Immoral Conditions Is Proved, Is Also Proposed.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)

Official recognition of the charges made by General Greene, commanding at Camp Lewis, that vice and lawlessness are protected by a syndicate in Seattle in which "men high in authority" are involved, was taken by the City Council today when a resolution submitted by Councilman Thomson was introduced requesting General Greene to submit his evidence, and promising to impeach the Mayor and remove the Chief of Police if the charges are proved.

The resolution will be considered at a special meeting of the judiciary committee Tuesday.

A large lobby of persons interested in the fight for a clean city were present, but there was no public comment made at the meeting.

Mayor Raps Army Officials.

While Thomson was putting the finishing touches to the draft of the resolutions, Mayor Gill, in the executive chambers, was giving out an interview attacking John McCourt, of Portland, and Colonel Saville, commander of Camp Lewis police. Colonel Saville was quoted in newspaper articles as criticizing Seattle's general method of doing business.

Mayor Gill resented the interference of Colonel Saville in Seattle's business affairs, and said that when that officer came here to confer with Navy-yard officials he was intoxicated, and a report of his conduct was forwarded to Washington.

General's Help Requested.

Whereas, General Greene, in charge of the Camp Lewis cantonment, has repeatedly affirmed that there existed in Seattle a vice syndicate, and that those high in authority are connected therewith; and

Whereas, a majority of the City Council of Seattle is vested in the Mayor and the Chief of Police, they alone can be held responsible as ones in high authority; and

Whereas, the Mayor has declared that if evidence is procured satisfying the City Council of his guilt, he will resign; and

Whereas, the City Council has no power or authority to compel him to ask or establish guilt or innocence of any persons engaged in vice other than through the Mayor and the Chief of Police, and, hence, to reach the Mayor or Chief of Police must have the assistance of outside parties; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Seattle, that we do most earnestly request General Greene to lay before us any evidence he may have, incriminating the Mayor or the Chief of Police of the city of Seattle in connection with any vice syndicate whatsoever; and be it further

Resolved, That if General Greene shall submit evidence showing the Mayor or Chief of Police to be in any wise involved in any vice syndicate, that this Council will request the Mayor to resign or remove the Chief of Police, as the case may be; and, in case he should refuse to do so, that this Council will declare himself in favor of a request from the Council that General Greene submit his evidence of the existence of a vice syndicate, but it is uncertain whether he will support the resolution with the wording given it by Councilman Thomson.

When the case against Russell, the proprietor of the Boulevard Inn, which was raided Sunday night by police and several Army and Navy officers found drinking there, was called in police court this morning it was continued until November 13. Sergeant Comstock, head of the dry squad, declined to make public the names of the officers, saying he would keep them in his own possession until the case is called.

GENERAL WITHHOLDS HAND

Seattle Expected to Act Quickly to Remove Conditions.

TACOMA, Nov. 5.—(Special).—Action in the matter of forbidding soldiers of his command from visiting Seattle, rumored about camp today to be forthcoming soon, was declared by Major-General Greene, as still held in abeyance pending developments in Seattle, which are expected to come to a head soon.

"I am adopting the plan of watchful

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