

MAILED FIST HITS RUSSIA ONCE MORE

New Demands Made on Crushed Nation.

ARMING OF TROOPS TO STOP

Germany to Grab Moscow and Other Large Cities.

LITHUANIA GIVEN ORDERS

Kaiser Informs State That It Must Share War Burdens of Teutons Which Involve Enlistments in Army.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Details of the latest German demands on Russia, received at the State Department today from Swedish sources, show that Russia has been asked to make financial concessions, to give up Moscow and other large cities to the Germans, to cease arming troops and to dissolve all recently formed military units.

AMSTERDAM, May 14.—Emperor William has issued a proclamation concerning Lithuania, in which he says it is assumed Lithuania will participate in the war burdens of Germany.

State's Independence Recognized.

In the proclamation the "independence" of Lithuania, allied with the German empire, is recognized.

"We assume that the contentions to be concluded," the proclamation says further, "will take the interests of the German empire into account equally with those of Lithuania and that Lithuania will participate in the war burdens of Germany which secured her liberation."

Lithuania is one of the former Russian border states which the Germans have attempted to set up as nominally independent countries under German influence.

Draft Resisted in Poland.

Germany is making every effort to exploit the states economically but, except in the case of Poland, has not attempted to force the former Russian subjects to fight with the German army, as the Emperor's announcement indicates may now be done in Lithuania.

The attempt to enroll a Polish army on the same plea that is now made in the case of Lithuania was a failure. The Vorwärts of Berlin, said recently that strong opposition was developing among the Lithuanians to transforming their country into a German semi-federal state. Entire independence is demanded.

Two Millions People Affected.

The Lithuanians number about 2,000,000 and are found mainly in the former Russian governments of Kovno, Vilna, Grodno and Suwalki.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Emperor William's proclamation recognizing the independence of Lithuania allied with the German empire, was received today with no enthusiasm by officers of the Lithuanian National Council headquarters here.

"The assumption that Lithuania will participate in the war burdens of Germany means a contribution of three things: Money, munitions and men," the officers declared. The first we have not, as Germany has already impoverished us; the second, we have no means of supplying because we lack the first. Therefore, Germany can have reference only to men.

Naval Prediction Made.

"Men from a self-declared democracy to fight in the ranks of autocracy? Unthinkable. Lithuania would not consent. Are her citizens to be dragged into the ranks of the Kaiser? This would be an abridgement of the sovereignty which Germany has already recognized, for Chancellor Hertling's reply stated: 'We hereby recognize Lithuania free and independent.'"

AMSTERDAM, May 14.—The return of the monarchy in Russia is unthinkable, Adolph Joffe, Russian Ambassador at Berlin declared in a recent interview given to Dr. Friedberg, the Berlin correspondent of the Vienna News Journal.

No Concessions to E. S.

Incidentally, M. Joffe characterized any assertion that Americans, "during the war or during the revolution, received any concessions from Russia," as a pure invention.

as its main topic of governmental prospects in Russia, M. Joffe admitted that a government of non-Socialists, "under the artificial conditions" was within the range of possibility, but never a return to the rule of an Emperor.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 14.—(Via Amsterdam.)—Circassians have proclaimed their independence. His decision to assume the independent state has been communicated to the central powers and the neutrals.

State of Karl Marx Up.

NEW YORK, May 14.—A statue of Karl Marx, "the father of Socialism," which was "ordered and paid for" by the Bolshevik government of Russia, was unveiled near Kremlin Palace, home of former Russian emperors on May 5, the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Marx, according to a cablegram received here today by the Jewish Forward.

AIR MAIL SERVICE WILL BEGIN TODAY

INITIAL FLIGHT WILL START FROM WASHINGTON.

Machines Are Capable of Carrying From 300 to 600 Pounds of Mail. Fast Time Is Expected.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—America's first airplane mail service will be inaugurated tomorrow between Washington, Philadelphia and New York, with planes starting simultaneously at 11:30 A. M. from the National capital and New York. President Wilson, Cabinet members and other Government officials are expected to attend the ceremonies preliminary to the initial flight.

The President, as head of the American Red Cross, will receive the first letter by airplane from New York. The communication will be from Governor Charles S. Whitman and will express his wishes to the President for the success of the Red Cross campaign to raise \$100,000,000, which starts Monday.

The mail airplanes will be piloted by Army aviators especially detailed to the service for experience in cross-country flying.

The letter of the President will be sent by Postmaster-General Burleson to Postmaster Fatten, of New York, who will turn the stamp and envelope over to Noah W. Taussig to be auctioned off for the benefit of the Red Cross on June 11. Mr. Taussig, the Red Cross announced tonight, has agreed to start the competition with a bid of \$1000.

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ORDNANCE PLANT TO RISE

Site Is Secured by Government and Work Will Begin Soon.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Neville Island in the Ohio River, near Pittsburgh, was selected today by the War Department as the site for the great Government ordnance plant to be built and operated by the interior. Work will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

The Neville Island plant will be the largest in the world, surpassing even that of the Krupp in Germany. It will be built and operated by the United States Steel Corporation at the addition of the Government.

Heavy artillery and projectiles in great quantities will be made under the supervision of the steel corporation, which will detail experts from its organization to build the plant at a cost of \$50,000,000.

NEWSPAPER GETS MAURICE

Retired Major-General to Be Correspondent for London Chronicle.

LONDON, May 14.—Major-General Maurice, whose retirement was ordered after the explanations made by Premier Lloyd George in the House of Commons in answer to charges contained in a letter written by General Maurice, has accepted an offer to become the military correspondent of the Daily Chronicle.

This announcement is made by the paper itself and his first article will appear tomorrow.

The Daily Chronicle for a long period was a strong supporter of Premier Lloyd George. Lately, however, it has shown signs of lessening allegiance.

CALL FOR MEN IS URGENT

Local Boards Told to Take Farmers if Necessary.

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—Washington's state quota of the 50,000 men called under emergency orders from the entire Nation tonight is 250 men. They are to be selected from class 1 in proportion to the number of men held by local boards in that classification and are to begin enlisting for Vancouver Barracks May 20.

Urgency of the call is emphasized by War Department directions for local boards to observe the exemption of farm labor so far as possible, but to take such farmers as can best be spared if unable to fill their quotas otherwise.

IRELAND TO STATE CASE

Lord Mayor of Dublin Prepares to Start for America.

DUBLIN, May 14.—The Lord Mayor has received passports for America and arrangements for his immediate departure are imminent.

A dispatch from Dublin April 19 said that after a conference of representatives of Nationalists, Sinn Feiners, O'Brienites and Laborites, it had been decided to prepare a detailed statement of Ireland's case against the compulsory military service act and that the Lord Mayor had been asked to go to Washington to present the statement to President Wilson.

CYCLOPS NOT GIVEN UP

Government Still Has Hopes of Solving Mystery of Collier.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Although two months have passed since the naval collier Cyclops disappeared, Secretary Daniels said today the Navy Department still holds hopes of solving the mystery and has not yet officially recorded the vessel "as lost."

Systematic questioning of fishermen and residents of islands along the route the collier would have followed from the West Indies to an Atlantic port is continuing.

AUSTRALIANS CRUSH BIG BOGHE ATTACK

Huns Enter Positions but Are Hurlled Out.

BRITISH TAKE 50 PRISONERS

Enemy Gains in All-Night Engagement Near Kemmel.

AMERICAN PATROL VICTOR

Twenty Germans Routed on Front in Picary by Brave Yankees, Who Report Considerable Activity in Rear of Teutonic Lines.

LONDON, May 14.—In an attack along a mile front near Morlancourt the Germans penetrated the British positions at one place. Field Marshal Haig reported tonight that at all other points on this line the Germans were repulsed with heavy losses, and that the Australians later recaptured the lost positions.

The statement says: "This morning, after heavy artillery preparation, the enemy attacked on a front of nearly a mile southwest of Morlancourt and succeeded at one point in entering our positions. At all other points the attack was repulsed with heavy loss to him, and in this locality an immediate counter attack by Australian troops drove out the enemy and completely re-established our line."

Prisoners Are Taken.

"We captured over 50 prisoners, and our casualties were light."

"Local fighting occurred all last night north of Kemmel, where the enemy attacked in the direction of Kleins Vierstraat and was repulsed by the French troops."

"On the remainder of the front there is nothing to report."

WOMEN'S RIGHTS VETOED

Methodist Church South Bishops Reverse General Conference.

ATLANTA, May 14.—The college of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church South today vetoed the action of the general conference of the church giving full parity rights to women and also reversed the change by the conference of the words in the ritual "holy catholic church" to "Christian holy church."

The bishops held the action of the conference was illegal, that both measures must be submitted to the annual conferences and that not until two-thirds of the annual conferences voted for the changes could the action of the general conference be held constitutional.

DENTAL WORK ENFORCED

Soldiers Must Face Forceps or Courtmartial Penalty.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Under an amendment to Army regulations approved today by Secretary Baker, necessary dental work is added to the remedial treatment to which all soldiers are required to submit under penalty of courtmartial.

The number of cases in which fighting men qualified before the dentist's forceps is said to have made the order necessary.

CENTRAL TICKET OFFICES CHOSEN

CONSOLIDATED AGENCY TO BE IN FAILING BUILDING.

Occupation by Transcontinental Railroads to Follow Approval by Directors.

The committee of Portland traffic officials that has had in hand the selection of a location for the consolidated ticket offices of the transcontinental railroads arrived at a decision at a meeting yesterday afternoon and have united in a recommendation to Regional Director Ashton, at Chicago, that the ground floor space in the Falling building at Third and Washington streets be used. The area which has been found available includes the space now used for the ticket office of the Union Pacific system, the room just vacated by the Santa Fe agency and the rooms occupied by the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company.

The problem of finding adequate room on the ground floor of a building conveniently located for the office has kept the committee busy for several weeks. Those who have participated in the conferences were A. D. Charlton, assistant general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific; John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific Oregon lines; William McMurray, general passenger agent of the O. W. R. & N., representing the Union Pacific system; R. H. Crozier, assistant general passenger agent S. P. & S.; and H. Dickson, city passenger and ticket agent of the Great Northern.

Another matter is the determination of the requirements in the organization of the official roster of the office. A committee has been engaged in formulating a plan as to what it is thought should be included in the organization effectively and satisfactorily to discharge the duties of the office. The personnel of the force is to be decided later.

AMERICANS ENTER ZONE OF BATTLE

Positions in Allotted Sector Taken.

ROAR OF WAR REACHES MEN

Artillery Action as Intense as That at Verdun.

FIELD STABBED BY SHELLS

First Glimpses Secured by Officers of Future Targets for Yankee Guns on Battle Line in France.

BY FLOYD GIBBONS.

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An interpreter straightened matters out by informing the Major that the woman wanted to know why he was leaving without getting her furniture.

"What furniture?" asked the puzzled Major.

"Why, she says," said the interpreter, "that you promised her you would send three army trucks to her house, back of the German lines, and bring all of her household goods to this side of the line. She says that she explained all to you and you said 'ah oui.'"

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COAST YARDS LEAD IN STEEL TONNAGE

NORTHWEST FAR AHEAD IN SHIP CONSTRUCTION.

Output of Pacific Plants in March Surpasses Combined Production of Eastern Districts.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 14.—The Pacific Coast is leading all other sections of the country in volume of steel tonnage being turned out for the Government, according to a series of striking charts printed in the current issue of the Emergency Fleet News, issued today.

According to one of these charts the total deadweight steel tonnage constructed on the coast during March was greater than the combined output of the Atlantic Coast, Great Lakes and Gulf shipyards combined.

The Oregon-Washington district led the entire country with an output greater than Philadelphia, Jersey, Maryland, Virginia and Delaware combined.

So far as individual yards are concerned, Skinner & Eddy, of Seattle, continue to lead the country, the Bethlehem Submarine Boat Company pushing well up into second place, the Seattle Construction & Drydock Fourth, Columbia River Shipbuilding Corporation being seventh and the Northwest Steel Company, of Portland, tenth.

Duthie & Co., of Seattle, are in 11th place measured by production. The charts show the Pacific Coast carrying off all honors in steel ship construction for the period covered by the tabulations.

MAIL TUBES AUTHORIZED

Senate Adds \$4,432,000 to Appropriation Bill to Buy Systems.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Federal acquisition of pneumatic mail tube systems in six of the largest cities of the country was approved by the Senate late today.

An amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill authorizing \$4,432,000 for their purchase and operation, which Postmaster-General Burleson has opposed, was adopted 33 to 23.

PURSE OPENED TO ALLIES

Secretary McAdoo Passes Out Another \$400,000,000.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Secretary McAdoo today authorized loans of \$300,000,000 to Great Britain, \$100,000,000 to France and \$100,000,000 to Italy, making the total loans to all the allies \$900,000,000.

Total loans to Great Britain now amount to \$2,995,000,000; to France \$1,165,000,000, and to Italy \$450,000,000.

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Attackers Withhold Gunfire Until Last Moment.

'FOG' SHROUDS OPERATION

Volunteers Give Lives Willingly to Bring Success—German Base Now Useless as Shelter for Submarines.

LONDON, May 14.—The Admiralty has issued the following graphic story of the Ostend operation:

"Dunkirk, May 11.—The Sirius lies in the surf some 2000 yards east of the entrance to Ostend harbor, which she failed so gallantly to block, and when in the early hours of yesterday morning the Vindictive groped her way through the smoke screen and headed for the entrance it was as though the old fighting ship awoke and looked on.

"A coastal motorboat had visited her and hung a flare in her stack and rusty rigging and that eye of unsteady fire, peering in the blaze of star shells, or reddening through the drift of smoke, watched the whole great enterprise from the moment when it hung in doubt to its ultimate triumphant success.

Hubert Lynes in Command.

"The planning and execution of that success had been entrusted by Vice-Admiral Sir Robert Keyes to Commodore Hubert Lynes, who directed the previous attempt to block the harbor with the Sirius and Brilliant. Upon that occasion a combination of unforeseen and unforeseeable conditions had fought against him.

"Upon this, the main problem was to obtain the effect of a surprise attack upon an enemy who was clearly expecting him. The Sirius and Brilliant had been baffled by the displacement of the Strom bank buoy, which marks the channel to the harbor entrance. But since then aerial reconnaissances had established that the Germans had removed the buoy altogether and that there now were no guiding marks of any kind. They also had cut gaps in the piers as a precaution against the landing, and further it was known that nine German destroyers were at large on the coast.

"It was a night that promised well for the enterprise, nearly windless. The sky was lead-blue, faintly star-dotted, with no moon, and a still sea for small craft, motor launches and coastal motorboats, whose work was done close inshore.

"The destroyer which served the commodore for a flagship, the remainder of the forces were visible only as silhouettes of blackness.

German Air Guns at Work.

"From Dunkirk a sudden brisk flurry of gunfire announced that German airships were on the way to visit Calais, and over the visible coast of Flanders the Summer lightning of restless artillery rose and fell monotonously.

"There's the Vindictive!" The muffled seamen and marines standing by the torpedo tubes and guns turned to gaze at the great black ship, seen mistily through the screening smoke from the destroyers' funnels, plodding silently to her goal and end.

"She receded into the night again, as a destroyer raced on to lay a light buoy that was to be her guide, and those on board saw her no more. She passed thence into the hands of the small craft whose mission was to guide her, guard her, and hide her in a smoke screen.

British Rifles Remain Silent.

"There was no preliminary bombardment of the harbor and batteries as before the previous attempt. That was to be the first element in the surprise. A time table had been laid down for every stage of the operation and the staff work beforehand even included precise orders for laying the smoke barrage, plans calculated for every direction of the winds. Monitors, anchored in firing positions far seaward, awaited the signal. The great batteries (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

ELECTION BULLETINS WILL BE FLASHED.

Sixth and Alder streets, as usual, will be Portland headquarters for election news on the night of the primary election, next Friday, May 17. The Oregonian has arranged to flash bulletins on that night, giving the count on important state and county offices and city initiative measures as rapidly as it progresses.

The polls will close at 8 P. M. and it is probable that the first returns will be available about 9 o'clock. If you are interested in the election and wish to know the results at the earliest possible moment, be at Sixth and Alder streets Friday night.

