

CIVILIAN GERMANY GLAMORS PEACE

Demonstrations Against War Made in Berlin, Cologne and Hamburg.

SEVERAL WORKMEN KILLED

Socialist Deputy Braun, in Speech to Reichstag, Bares Terrible Condition of Public Immorality in Prussian State.

LONDON, June 20.—Heavily censored private messages received in Stockholm indicate that peace demonstrations were held recently in Berlin, Hamburg and Cologne and that several workmen were killed and many persons arrested, says a dispatch to the Morning Post. The police and military dispersed crowds of demonstrators.

AMSTERDAM, June 20.—Sixteen persons, including some women, have been condemned to death by the Germans following their arrest in East Flanders, Belgium, on a suspicion of being guilty of espionage, according to the frontier correspondent of the Telegraf.

It was rumored yesterday that the executions have already been carried out. More than 50 people had been placed under arrest.

AMSTERDAM, June 20.—Discussing the inability of Germany to help Austria in her food difficulties, the Cologne Gazette says the bread ration in Germany will also have to be reduced until the next harvest.

AMSTERDAM, June 19.—The Berlin Vorwaerts, the German Socialist organ, announces the increase in the price of bread to 5 pfennigs per pound. The paper says this price will bring the land owners 1,000,000,000 marks surplus profits and necessarily will be followed by increases in the cost of milk, butter and beef.

AMSTERDAM, June 20.—In replying to congratulations from the president of the Reichstag, Emperor William, according to the Frankfurter Zeitung, sent the following telegram: "Our troops have gained fresh great successes in the most severe struggle. Gratitude to God for them cannot be great enough."

"May it find expression in the people at home by a spirit of patriotism, confidence and vigor, which is splendidly present and gaining an ever firmer shape."

"The German people, which has offered a bold front to the entire world in long years of struggle, is destined by God for the triumph not only for itself, but for all humanity. In this faith we will endure the last struggle till a victorious peace and a blessed future, God grant it."

AMSTERDAM, June 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—A picture of social conditions in Prussia was given during a debate June 18 on the budget of the ministry of the interior in the House of Deputies, at a session of the Reichstag.

Crime on Increase.
"We are faced with a terrible condition of public morality," said Deputy Braun, a Socialist. "We hear of numberless cases of thefts on roads and alarming juvenile criminality. According to official statistics, between October, 1916, and November, 1917, there were 87,726 convictions for infractions of the food regulations and these were only a small percentage of the actual transgressions committed."

"As for the food conditions, profiteering exceeds all bounds; usury is rampant among all classes. Fraudulent profiteering, like that of the Daimler Works, is now exceptional. Even official bodies attempt to extort illegal profits. Poor people can only buy clothes at the official clothing department by bribing salesmen with tips or food."

"The increase of criminality demonstrates the demoralization through the war, which is described by fools as a rejuvenating bath. Self-sacrifice and patriotism, perhaps, are still found in the trenches, but in the invaded regions profiteering begins to rear its head, culminating in the most repulsive profit-snatching at home."

Officials Exploit Workers.
"Everybody cheats, steals, grabs, from jailbird to court chamberlain, who cheats the needy home workers out of their scanty earnings and pockets millions. And the longer the war lasts the worse it becomes."

"Added to this is the Fatherland party's wild war-baiting propaganda and refusal of equal suffrage. What wonder that popular exasperation burst forth in a big strike in January?"

Herr Braun further pilloried the activities of police and informers and the hateful, hypocritical censorship. The prohibition of the acknowledgment of gifts by soldiers to the Socialistic funds, he said, was ordered for the purpose of withholding from the public knowledge the magnitude of the demand in the army for peace and equal suffrage.

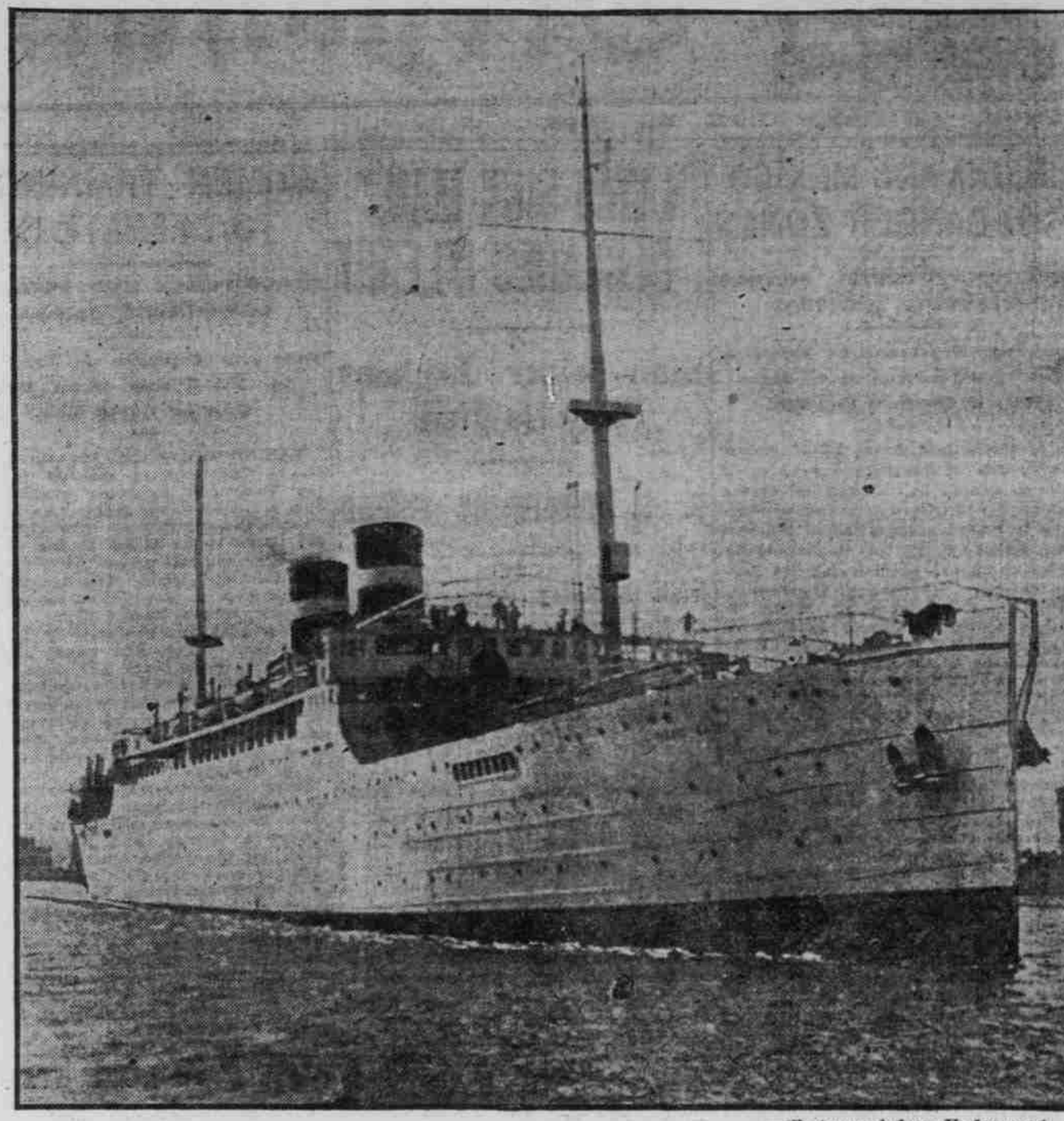
He further mercilessly indicted the systematic discrimination against the Socialist press, while the Fatherland party and nationalists with impunity raised the accusation of bribery with Anglo-American money against those favoring peace by negotiation.

Minister Pleads Helplessness.
The Minister of the Interior, Dr. Drews, answered vaguely that he was not responsible for the censorship or the other matters complained of, which were under the jurisdiction of the military authorities.

The Socialist newspaper Vorwaerts devotes a long editorial to the foregoing in which it says:
"Dr. Drews' unsatisfactory answer is tantamount to a confession of the impotence of the civil government. In fact, there is no responsible civil government in Prussia today. It demonstrates the necessity for the abolition of the state of siege in the country for which there is no legal justification whatever. The necessity of a reasonable government is shown especially by the fate of suffrage reform, which has been dragged from reading to reading without the government intervening with the immediate dissolution of the house."

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SANT ANNA. —Photograph from Underwood.

FRENCH SHIP SUNK

Hundreds Perish When Sant Anna Goes Down.

THOSE SAVED NUMBER 1512

Over Two Thousand Soldiers and Native Workmen Passengers on Vessel When Torpedoed by Enemy Submarine.

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American steamer arriving here today from a Central American port reported that at 4 P. M. yesterday afternoon, 180 to 200 miles south of Sandy Hook, she sighted a submarine and was pursued by the U-boat.

This is the first report of the appearance of a German raider so far north since ships were sunk by submarine attacks off the Jersey coast in the latter part of May.

Vessel Outdistances Pursuer.
The captain said that he put on full speed, zigzagged and escaped by outdistancing the U-boat. His ship carried 57 passengers.

The fact that the American steamship was armed probably prevented her from being held up and sunk by the U-boat, which came to the surface within half a mile of the steamship.

A GULF PORT, June 20.—A coastwise passenger steamship which arrived here late yesterday reported encountering a German submarine last Saturday off the coast of South Carolina. The steamer escaped because of superior speed and her wireless calls for help, which apparently led the submarine to give up the chase.

LONDON, June 20.—German U-boats are unequal to the warfare against them, is the virtual admission of Captain Persius, the naval critic of the Berliner Tageblatt, says a Rotterdam dispatch to the Daily Telegraph.

Persius Points Out Mistake.
Captain Persius writes:
"It is scarcely to be denied that our enemies are both carrying on the war and living and that it will be possible for them to defend themselves against tonnage needs for a long time at any rate. From the beginning of the U-boat war it was a mistake, often committed by us, to underestimate the resources of our enemies."

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Although there have been various reports recently of the destruction by patrol vessels and armed steamers of one or more of the German submarines operating off the Atlantic Coast, it was learned authoritatively today that the Navy Department is without evidence that would justify the belief that any of the seafarers have been accounted for.

A close study of the reports made by masters of ships sunk or attacked has suggested to some naval experts that the raiders are of a special type in which speed has been sacrificed to fuel capacity, enabling the raiders to remain away from their bases for long periods.

LOYAL LEGION VINDICATED

Secretary Baker Decries Efforts to Discredit Workers.

Definitely disposing of rumors that the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen, a voluntary patriotic organization of workers engaged in producing timber needed for aircraft construction, has no governmental backing, Secretary of War Newton D. Baker has sent an open message to Colonel Bruce P. Disque, commander of the spruce-production division of the Signal Corps.

The Loyal Legion, says Secretary Baker, is a vital and integral part of the War Department's forces. He de-

ITALY MAKES GAINS

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FOE'S LOSSES INCREASE

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It is stated that the Austrians fighting south of the Piave continue to implore help and also that two of their divisions have been greatly reduced by losses.

Plane Silences Gun.
Y. M. C. A. ambulances and also the American Red Cross supplies are proving useful to the Italians, both for refugees on trains and also for wounded soldiers.

As thousands of Italian and Austrian soldiers looked on today, an Italian airplane brought about the surrender of the Austrians on a machine-gun float, after the Italian infantry and artillery had failed to subjugate it.

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Allied Aid Cheers Italians.
The arrival of allied air fighters to assist the Italians has heartened the Italian air force, which is much cheered after six days of heroic work.

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high pitch despite wounds, loss of sleep and constant movements made necessary by the conditions of the terrain at several points.

Deserted by his staff on the Montello plateau, Major-General von Kronstadt, of the Austrian army, fought single-handed against the Italian Arditi until he was wounded seriously. The general died later in a hospital.

General Fatally Wounded.
It seems that the general and his staff became lost in the woods of Montello and ran into a unit of Arditi. When the members of the staff saw the Italian soldiers, they ran away. The general was called upon to surrender.

Threatened Suits Abandoned.
MARSHFIELD, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—County Commissioner Archie Phillip announced today that suits threatened by timber owners in the county against the use of special assessments in road districts have been abandoned and the court will order the expenditures at the July session. The threatened suits held up permanent road work in several sections of the county since April 1, but there will be sufficient good weather after July.

RAFFERTY TO COMMAND
Artillery Colonel Ordered to Proceed to Fort Stevens.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, June 20.—Colonel William C. Rafferty, Coast Artillery Corps, under Army orders of today, is directed to proceed to Fort Stevens, Or., and assume command of the coast defense of the Columbia.

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