

FIRST UNITS FROM OVERSEAS EN ROUTE

Minnekahda, Lapland, Orca Bring Men From England.

FAST TRANSPORT PLANNED

German and Dutch Boats Will Be Used to Bring Soldiers Home as Swiftly as Can Be Arranged.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—First units of the American expeditionary forces to return from overseas are expected to arrive in New York about the end of the present week.

General March, chief of staff, announced tonight that 332 officers and 6611 men of the air service and other detachments training in England now are homeward bound on the Minnekahda, Lapland and Orca, British liners. The first two ships left Liverpool last Friday and the Orca sailed on Saturday.

Units En Route Named.

This announcement means that the movement of the American troops now in England, the majority of whom are in air service detachments, will be time steadily until all of them, some 20,000, have returned to this country. There are no regiments or other units of line troops in Great Britain.

Aircraft Men Aboard.

The units now en route to New York and the ship to which they sailed were announced by General March as follows: The units on the Minnekahda are: Second Aircraft Acceptance park, 29 officers and 557 men; 220th Aero Squadron, three officers and 249 men; 219th Aero Squadron, three officers, 258 men; 244th Squadron, two officers, 258 men; 18th Construction Company, air service, six officers, 242 men; 19th Construction Company, seven officers, 238 men; 15th Construction Company, five officers, 238 men; 92d Aero Squadron, 24 officers, 201 men; 177th Squadron, two officers, 230 men; 214th Squadron, two officers, 231 men; 833d Squadron, four officers, 123 men; 839th Squadron, three officers, 90 men; 250th Squadron, three officers, 157 men; Casual Medical Detachment, six officers, 18 enlisted men. Total aboard, 99 officers, 2943 men.

Lapland's Contingent Named.

On the Lapland are these units and casualties: First Handley-Page Training Section, 126 officers, 449 men; 69th Photograph Section, one officer, 30 men; 70th Photograph Section, one officer, 30 men; 71st Photograph Section, one officer, 30 men; 72d Section, one officer, 29 men; Sailmakers' detachment, one officer, 109 men; 265th Aero Squadron, two officers, 119 men; 261d Squadron, two officers, 125 men; 268th Squadron, two officers, 124 men; 270th Squadron, three officers, 123 men; 271st Squadron, two officers, 134 men; 318th Squadron, two officers, 120 men; 359th Squadron, three officers, 121 men; 315th Squadron, three officers, 123 men; 316th Squadron, two officers, 119 men; 317th Squadron, 44 officers; mixed casuals, 11 officers, one enlisted man, one former nurse; casuals, sick and wounded, seven officers, 14 men not requiring special attention; enlisted men, attached to wounded officers, 6; nurses, 3; casual medical detachment, five officers, 12 men; total, 232 officers, four nurses, 1737 other ranks.

Nearly 2000 on Orca.

On the steamer Orca, which sailed from Liverpool for New York November 23, are: Four Hundred and Seventieth Aero Squadron, two officers, 127 men; 471st Squadron, three officers, 141 men; 478th Squadron, six officers, 125 men; 479th Squadron, four officers, 140 men; 244th Squadron, two officers, 225 men; 260th Squadron, two officers, 126 men; 261st Squadron, three officers, 144 men; 306th Squadron, two officers, 41 men; 823d Squadron, three officers, 119 men; 824th Squadron, four officers, 99 men; 831st Squadron, three officers, 106 men; 836th Squadron, four officers, 109 men; 852d Squadron, four officers, 125 men; 2d Construction Company, air service, four officers, 235 men; casuals, Medical Department, four officers, 12 men. Total, 59 officers, 1874 men.

Before General March's announcement

Secretary Baker discussed with newspaper correspondents the return of American troops from France. Their homeward movement, he said, is dependent almost entirely upon the limitation of transportation facilities both at sea and in France.

Dutch Craft to Be Used.

Besides employing in this work the German liners seized in this country, Dutch vessels taken over and all other available transport facilities, General March said, some part of the British troop-tonnage employed in carrying troops to France will continue to be used in getting the men home. He pointed out, however, that Great Britain will need many of her ships to carry home Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and other colonial forces which have been in France longer than the American armies. The Secretary said the great British liners Mauretania, Olympic and Aquitania have been in the American transport service for a year and the Mauretania still is so engaged.

He could not say whether the other

two had been withdrawn. German liners now in German ports, Mr. Baker said, may offer a means of expediting the return of the American forces. Present plans are to use these vessels to carry food to Germany and the Secretary said it might be found possible to make some arrangement under which some of General Pershing's men could be sent home on them. Before sailing for Europe to arrange for the return of the troops Chairman Hurley, of the Shipping Board, said it was the purpose to use ships now idle in German ports. Mr. Baker, however, did not indicate today that any steps to that end have yet been taken.

PEACE DELEGATES OF U. S. NOT YET CHOSEN

Delay Said to Be Due to Fact That Number Is Not Known.

SAILING PLANS CONCEALED

No Announcement Is Made as to What Ship President Will Go on When He Starts for France.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Delay in the announcement of the names of the American commissioners to the peace conference at Versailles is understood to be attributable to two causes.

First, that no decision has been reached as to the number, and second, that all of the persons whom the President has in mind for places have not yet had an opportunity to signify their acceptance.

Small Delegation Suggested.

The belief obtains in some quarters here that the size of the delegation should be very much restricted. A minimum of as few as three has been considered and five seems to meet with some approval. It was said today that although this might appear to be a small force with which to undertake the vast amount of important business which is to come before the conference, each delegation will be provided with a numerous staff of experts capable of dealing with any questions that might arise and that probably better progress could be made toward the conclusion of peace by a limited number of commissioners who might be expected to maintain more intimate relations with one another than would be possible with a large gathering.

Plans Are Kept Secret.

Although a week or more has gone by since it was announced that the President would go to Europe immediately after the convening of Congress next Monday, nothing has been made known concerning his plans, such as the sailing time or whether he will first visit France or England.

From preparations being made in England for his reception it is generally believed that the President will go to that country to stay several days before continuing to Paris. It is known that several representatives of the Government have preceded him to England to arrange for his stay there. There also has been no announcement as to what ship the President will use in making the voyage. It was said first that he would cross on the former North German Lloyd liner Kaiser Wilhelm, which had a special suite for the Kaiser. When preparations for the use of this ship were under way, however, there was a change of plans and it now is said that he will cross on the George Washington. Another former German liner seized in an American port when this Nation entered the war.

FOUR BILLIONS IS LIMIT

SENATE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS REVENUE MEASURE.

Republicans Object to Fixing Any Limit, Because They Expect to Control Congress.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—By a strict party vote the Senate finance committee tonight decided to recommend that the yield from the 1920 revenue bill be limited to \$4,000,000,000. Ten Democratic members, who voted for the amount suggested by Secretary McAdoo, were opposed by the seven Republicans.

Before adopting the \$4,000,000,000 limit the committee voted on a proposal by Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, Democrat, to leave the \$6,000,000,000 bill of 1919 unchanged for 1920 and use the \$2,000,000,000 surplus for paying outstanding Government obligations. The vote was nine to eight, Senator Gore joining with the seven Republican members who undertake to fix any limit for taxation in 1920 because they expect to control both the Senate and House in the next Congress. Minority members of the finance committee said tonight they would take their fight to the floor of the Senate and some Republican leaders have said that if the Democrats insist upon this provision of the revenue bill, enactment of the measure by this Congress may be blocked.

The motion to fix the limit of 1920 taxes at \$4,000,000,000 was made by Chairman Simmons. The vote on the rollcall follows: Ayes, Democrats—Simmons, Williams, Smith of Georgia, Thomas, Robinson, Gore, Jones of New Mexico, Gerry, Lewis and Nugent. Noes, Republicans—Penrose, Lodge, McCumber, Smoot, Dillingham, La Follette and Townsend.

Work on the 1919 tax schedules is nearly completed, Chairman Simmons announcing tonight that the bill now has been reduced to practically \$6,000,000,000. Senator Simmons' amendment exempting persons or partnerships engaged in trade or business from the war excess profits tax was adopted today by the committee, as was an amendment providing that a corporation with a net income of not more than \$20,000 a year shall not be taxed more than 20 per cent. In the House bill the minimum levy was fixed at 25 per cent.

Naval estimates for 1920 have been reduced \$1,130,250,000 as the result of the signing of the armistice, Secretary McAdoo was informed today by Secretary Daniels. The original estimate on a war basis was \$2,545,207,000 and this has been reduced to \$1,415,392,000.

EAST SIDE CLUB OPENS

Victory Dinner Served by Church Women to Business Men.

The Fall opening and victory dinner of the East Side Business Men's Club was held last night at 6:30 o'clock in the clubrooms over the Citizens Bank, East Alder street and Grand avenue. Immediately after the dinner, at which 12 soldiers from Vancouver Barracks were 30 guests, business matters were discussed for a short time, followed by a patriotic speech by Dr. B. Pershing, of Central Presbyterian Church. A brief address was made by Professor H. B. Boone in behalf of the Portland Symphony Orchestra, which needs funds for reorganization. Women of the church served the dinner.

Government generally and substantially were that it had come into the war not alone on account of specific grievances against Germany, but on account also of certain fundamental principles of justice and right. These principles had been announced with fullness several times by the American Government, and had resulted in a great effort by the American people.

U. S. Points Emphasized. The American people never had been conscious that they were fighting for territorial or colonial interests of any allied governments, excepting insofar as these came within the framework of the American Government's principles.

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ALBANY WOMAN INJURED

Mrs. Alice Pritchard Struck by Train While Demented.

ALBANY, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special).—Clad in a kimono, without shoes, and about a mile from home, Mrs. Alice Pritchard was run down by a Corvallis and Eastern train this side of Lyons this morning, and now lies at the point of death in St. Mary's Hospital in this city. Her right leg was almost severed from her body and she suffered numerous bruises about the head, face and body. She was first observed by the engineer standing near a water barrel on a bridge when the train suddenly started and ran down the track in front of the train. The emergency brake was applied but the train could not be stopped in time to avoid the accident. She is said to have recently recovered from Spanish influenza, which she is thought to have been somewhat demented.

STATE TAX LEVY FIXED

Six Per Cent Increase Allowed by Law Will Produce \$3,021,402.30.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special).—While the state tax levy will not be made up by the State Tax Commission until the middle of December, the making up of the levy will be more or less a perfunctory task this year. The levy will be \$3,021,402.30, a safe prediction, as the figures represent a 6 per cent increase over the \$2,856,298 of last year, minus \$61,250 paid for Multnomah County bridge bonds last year, plus \$88,750 added, to be paid for bridge bonds next year. The interest on the bonds decreases each year before the annual payments of \$50,000 to pay off the principal on such bonds. Just when the levy will be made up is a problematical, as all of the county reports are not in.

O. A. C. to Send Officers.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Nov. 25.—(Special).—The Government has sent word to Colonel Alfred C. Sharpe, commander of the S. A. T. C. at O. A. C. that he is to name eight suitable officers to attend a two week course in physical training and athletics at the University of Washington. The course will open December 9. Colonel Sharpe has been informed that the civilian director of the unit may be designated if officers are not available.

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WILSON WINS OVER ALLIES

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tries intimately concerned to arrange a settlement, according to the European viewpoint of the situation. These statements made it plain that they would receive every friendly counsel the United States would offer, the more so because they knew that America wanted nothing in a material way for herself, but was interested only in realizing her ideals. The losses the other belligerents have suffered in comparison with those of the United States, also have been cited as a reason for the allies having a predominant influence in shaping the new order in Europe. These were some of the conceptions put forward by the allied governments with tenacity and skill, but always in a friendly spirit. The contentions of the American

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WOODARD, CLARKE & CO. CHRISTMAS CARDS advertisement featuring an image of a cello and text promoting various card containers and Sherwin-Williams paints.

Special Sale of \$45-\$50 Overcoats advertisement from BUFFUM & PENDLETON CO. featuring a large price tag of \$37.50 and details about the sale.

1918 THANKSGIVING Thursday advertisement for the Imperial Hotel and Pompeian Restaurant, featuring a detailed menu and promotional text.

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