

POLES TO GET BIG SLICE OF GERMANY

Danzig and Vistula Basin Allotted by Allies.

FOE IS TO BE DISMEMBERED

Fear Expressed That Terms May Be Too Drastic.

BOCHE REVIVAL FORESEEN

Reemergence of Patriotic Ardor by Teutons Felt Possible If Peace Is Made Over Severe.

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PARIS, March 12.—(Special Wireless)—In pursuit of what now seems to be the definite policy of the peace conference to dismember Germany, I am informed that the council of ten has reached a final agreement that Danzig and the Vistula basin are to be given to Poland. This action has been recommended by the sub-committee which has been studying the subject and there is every apparent reason to believe that the suggestion will be accepted. In fact, the council practically went on record to that effect at this afternoon's meeting.

At the same time it was agreed that East Prussia should be received into a separate republic with highly attenuated connections, if any at all, with the main body of Germany. The same course is being followed with regard to the Rhineland. German Austria and certain proponents of the plan wish to carry it further and into the disruption of intimate relations between the former German kingdoms that are now under republican government.

Old Conditions Reconnected.

This project taken in connection with the reduction of Germany's army to a point that some members of the American mission regard as dangerous, make the present situation take a curious resemblance to the conditions existing from 1902 to 1907, and which lasted until the battle of Lepanto in 1571.

Those are not lacking in Paris who incline to the view that the allies may be going so far in their effort to reduce Germany to impotency as to make certain a reemergence of patriotic emotion such as the Tugendbund German Austria and certain proponents of the plan wish to carry it further and into the disruption of intimate relations between the former German kingdoms that are now under republican government.

SOLDIERS WEARY OF LONG OCEAN VOYAGE

TROOPS ON TRANSPORT TOLOA SAID TO BE IN MUTINY.

Vessel on Way to New York Ordered Back to Halifax, Causes Threats Which Alarm Captain.

HALIFAX, March 12.—When the transport Toloa docked here today, with her captain reporting a threat by 250 British troops in her steerage to sink the vessel unless they were put ashore and given transportation to their homes in the United States, steamship officials went aboard to interview the complaining soldiers.

They found that 50 of the men had sufficient funds to cover their rail fares, and immigration had been insisted upon by American immigration authorities. The others, it was learned, will sail Friday for New York, which she was bound, after discharging Canadian troops here, when a wireless message recalled her to Halifax to coal because of the harbor strike at the American port. This order recalled the men aboard was issued in spite of an expressed by Captain Jackson of violence by the soldiers.

Captain Jackson told the authorities he had no guns aboard and that his ship was at the mercy of the soldiers. He disclaimed all responsibility for anything that might happen when the decision became known to the men.

The American immigration officials took the ground that the men possessed no papers proving them to be American citizens or residents.

The troops, most of whom enlisted in the British forces from the United States and 81 of whom are American-born, were discharged from the army with \$20 and an order on the British consular office at New York for transportation to their homes, the ship's officers said. Gambling among the men, they added, had left most of the funds in the hands of a few.

"FLU" DEATHS HERE 1425

Census Bureau Reports Toll for Period of 25 Weeks.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 12.—The havoc wrought by the recent influenza epidemic is shown by a report issued by the bureau of census, which gives the deaths in Portland from this cause during the 25 weeks from September 14 to March 1 as 1425, 395 of the number dying directly from pneumonia; in Seattle during the same period there were 1429 influenza deaths, 163 of which were directly attributable to pneumonia; Spokane had 557 deaths, 51 being from pneumonia, and San Francisco 3785 with 592 from pneumonia.

NAMES ALLOWED ON FLAG

Nebraska Permits Mothers to Honor Soldier Dead.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 12.—In an opinion rendered today, Attorney-General Davis held it was not a desecration of the flag for the mother of a soldier who died in the service to embroider upon it the name of her son. Attorney-General Davis said his office would refuse to prosecute any such alleged desecration.

"It is well-known," says the attorney-general in his opinion, "that one of the reasons why the flag is held in reverence and respect is the fact that men have died for it."

PRISONERS GET CLEMENCY

Sentences of Espionage Violators and Military Offenders Commuted.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., March 12.—Men confined at the federal prison here for violation of the espionage act and for military offenses are receiving clemency from the department of justice and the war department, it became known today.

In some instances immediate discharges are being granted, but in the majority of cases commutation of sentences are being ordered.

WARSAW GREET'S MISSION

American Relief Train to Poland Welcomed by Paderewski.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The city of Warsaw gave an enthusiastic welcome to the special relief train bearing the American Red Cross mission to Poland and 25 cars of foodstuffs, hospital supplies and clothing, according to reports received in Paris and cabled here today.

Premier Paderewski adjourned a cabinet meeting to welcome the mission.

REPUBLICANS LAY PLANS

St. Paul Considered as Meeting Place for National Convention.

ST. PAUL, March 12.—St. Paul is being officially considered for the republican national convention next year, it became known today.

The possibility of holding the convention in the local auditorium was discussed with Will H. Hays, the national chairman, when he conferred with leading Minnesota republicans here recently.

CREDIT GIVEN ROUMANIA

Treasury Department Announces a Loan of Five Million.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—A credit of \$5,000,000 in favor of Roumania was announced today by the treasury department.

This increased Roumania's credits to \$15,000,000 and those for all the allies to \$8,811,607,000.

FIGHTING IN BERLIN ALMOST AT AN END

Unconditional Surrender Is Demanded.

REDS STRONGLY ENTRENCHED

Heavy and Light Artillery and Machine Guns Possessed.

CITIZENS' HEADS CUT OFF

Behavior of Rioters in Berlin Suburbs Declared Worse Than Bolshevik Cruelties in Russia.

LONDON, March 12.—(By the Associated Press).—A German government wireless dispatch received here this evening says that, according to official announcement, up to Tuesday afternoon there had been no more important fighting anywhere in Berlin. A night attack on the staff quarters of the government troops in the suburb of Neukolln was frustrated.

There were occasional unimportant engagements in Charlottenburg and various places in East Berlin.

A military order declaring that anyone found in certain streets of East Berlin after 7 o'clock in the evening will be shot has been issued, says the dispatch.

Unconditional Surrender Demanded.

The Berlin newspapers, the dispatch continues, say the spartanists visited Herr Noske, secretary of military affairs, last night to inquire into peace conditions. It is rumored that after protracted negotiations Herr Noske demanded unconditional surrender of the spartanists and also possession of all their arms.

BERLIN, March 12.—(By the Associated Press).—The progress of the government troops against the spartanists necessarily is slow, owing to the need of thoroughly cleaning up the reconquered parts of the city. This means that Lichtenburg probably cannot be reached inside of two days. The populace of Lichtenburg is suffering severely from hunger, and as a result of looting.

The second important spartanist (Concluded on Page 4, Column 2.)

MAN MUST FIND CZAR TO COLLECT CASH DUE

CREDITOR REQUIRED TO SERVE PAPERS ON EX-RULER OR KIN.

Problem Faced by New York Lawyer Is to Discover if Mr. Romanoff Is Dead or Alive.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Lombard Naumberg, a lawyer, was named today by Supreme Court Justice Benedict in Brooklyn as a committee of one to ascertain whether Nicholas Romanoff, former czar of Russia, is dead or alive, and if dead, who is next of kin.

Tonight Mr. Naumberg is looking for someone who can solve the riddle for him, for on its solution rests the question whether a \$117,450 judgment which Mr. Naumberg recently obtained against Mr. Romanoff on behalf of the Marine Transportation Service corporation can be collected.

The corporation in the early part of the war transported a large quantity of sugar to Russia upon the czar's order. Before collection was made, Nicholas was deposed and, according to generally accepted reports, slain.

Mr. Naumberg recently learned that the czar had \$1,000,000 on deposit in the National City bank here. He obtained a court judgment for \$117,450, but upon presenting it to the bank was informed that the bank could not pay out any of the funds unless Nicholas either was served with a notice or proved dead. He then applied for appointment as receiver of the fund, hoping to obtain satisfaction from the receiver. Justice Benedict denied the application, however, telling Mr. Naumberg it would be necessary to first serve Nicholas with a notice or after proving him dead, to serve notice upon his next of kin. The next of kin would be his wife, if she is alive; if not, his children, if alive; if not, Michael Romanoff, his brother, who at last accounts was alive.

VICTORY DRIVE TO OPEN ON APRIL 21

Short-Term Notes Replace Long-Term Bonds.

INTEREST RATE NOT DECIDED

Five Billion Dollars Tentatively Fixed as Goal.

CAMPAIGN CLOSES MAY 10.

Secretary Glass Urges All Americans to Subscribe Freely to Greatest War Loan.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The victory liberty loan campaign will open Monday April 21, and close three weeks later, Saturday, May 10.

Secretary Glass announced the dates tonight, together with the fact that short-term notes maturing in not over five years would be issued instead of longer term bonds. The amount of notes to be offered was not disclosed, but it has been generally understood that the loan would be for a minimum of \$5,000,000,000, with the treasury reserving the right to accept all over-subscriptions.

Mr. Glass said the interest rate on the notes and the amounts to be exempted from taxation would not be determined until a week or two before the campaign, as they would be based upon financial conditions at that time. It was intimated, however, that the notes might bear interest in excess of 4 1/2 per cent, the interest rate on the third and fourth loans.

Short-Term Notes Favored.

"After studying financial conditions in all parts of the country," said Mr. Glass, "I have determined that the interests of the United States will best be served at this time by the issuance of short-term notes rather than of longer-term bonds which would have to bear the limited rate of interest of 4 1/2 per cent."

"The victory liberty loan will therefore take the form of notes of the United States maturing in not over five years from the date of issue. These notes will be, as were the liberty loan bonds, the direct promise to pay of the United States, will be issued both in (Concluded on Page 2, Column 2.)

HUN STEAMERS ARE TAKEN

Craft Captured by Allied Warships Reach Dunkirk.

DUNKIRK, March 12.—(Havas).—Three German steamers captured by allied warships for violation of the armistice terms have arrived here for internment.

The steamers are the Italia, Mercur, and Pluto.

COSSACKS JOIN SEMENOFF

Kolchak Siberian Government at Omsk Recognized.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The Usuri Cossacks, in assembly, have voted in recognition of the Kolchak Siberian government at Omsk and have come to an agreement with General Semenov, according to advices to the state department today.

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DEBS UPHOLDS REDS IN PUBLIC ADDRESS

JUDGES ARE LIKENED TO BE POWDERED OLD FOSSILS.

Socialist Leader Refers to Lenin and Trotsky as Foremost Statesmen of Age.

CLEVELAND, March 12.—In what may be his farewell public address before he begins serving a 10-year sentence imposed by the federal court here on a charge of violating the espionage act, Eugene V. Debs, socialist leader, tonight upheld the bolshevik rule in Russia and referred to Lenin and Trotsky as the "foremost statesmen of the age."

Debs said the judges of the United States supreme court were "begowned, bewhiskered, bepowdered old fossils, who have never declined anything."

Referring to the prison term that he faces he reiterated his opposition to the law that he violated while the war was in progress.

Announcement was made of a meeting to be held here March 23 to protest against imprisonment of Debs and to organize to obtain freedom of all political and industrial prisoners.

A big squad of policemen and agents of the department of justice were scattered through the crowd, but there was no semblance of disorder.

CLOCKS TO BE SET AHEAD

Daylight Saving Will Be Put Into Effect on March 30.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 12.—Under the daylight savings law all the clocks in the United States are supposed to be turned forward one hour at 2 o'clock in the morning of Sunday, March 30, and all of the railroads in the United States, including those outside government control will be ordered to make their schedules conform to the new time.

A movement to repeal this daylight saving law was started in the last congress but the protest from working people in industrial centers poured in in such bewildering numbers to members of congress that the repeal was never pressed. Under the law, the saving period runs to the last Sunday in October, on the morning of which day at 2 o'clock the clocks will be turned back one hour to observatory time.

GERMANS WORK IN EGYPT

Propagandists Blamed for Recent Disturbances.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—German propaganda in Egypt is blamed for recent disturbances at Cairo, which resulted in the deportation of a number of political agitators.

The state department was advised today that the disturbances had been suppressed with a number of fatal casualties in fighting between the military forces and mobs.

EX-EMPEROR CHARLES ILL

Wife, Also in Bad Health, Unable to Leave Austria.

GENEVA, March 12.—(By the Associated Press).—The former Austrian emperor, Charles, is again seriously ill from a nervous breakdown, according to advices from Geneva.

His wife is employing every means to leave Austria for the Riviera but has been unable to obtain French passports. She also is said to be in bad health.

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'Y' GIRLS ENTERTAIN GENERALS ON RHINE

Captains or Mere Doughboys Outside the Pale.

VISITORS MUCH IN DEMAND

Rival Corps Vie for Honor of Entertaining Entertainers.

CAPTAIN MAKES BLUNDER

Officer Introduces Volunteers of America Head and Lands the Salvation Army.

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COBLENZ, March 12.—(Special cable).—Germany has thrashed her bolshevik, seemingly, so the American army of occupation has rather given up hopes of hiking to Berlin and has resumed the wearying routine of watching the Rhine and hopefully waiting for home-going steamers.

That is all except the restless "Rainbow division" and the well-disciplined 22d national guard, for nobody believes they are going home soon and various signs of spring seem to confirm the strong probability that there will be prolonged American squatting on these 5000 and odd square miles of German soil.

"Y" Girls Entertain Generals.

Believe it or not, Y. M. C. A. girls continue to arrive for the purpose of entertaining the army. One famous French reserve of division corps has fraternizing "Y" girls may be seen any day, dashing about the Rhine and Moselle landscape in generals' limousines, staff cars and chaplains' Fordes.

A mere captain, let alone a humble doughboy, has hardly a look-in on these doing of the spring social seasons which are not without their humorous features.

For instance, there is considerable competition between corps and divisions to hold the fickle favor of the Y. M. C. A. entertainers. One famous combat corps, stuck in the obscure hinterland with relatively scant economic resources, noticed that its visiting Y. M. C. A. entertainers were eager to move on to Coblenz and points beyond, and either did not come back or overstayed their leave.

Girls Stay Where Fun Is Greatest.

Investigation developed that a rival combat corps, more fortunately located, was able to show the "Y" girls such a swell time and treated them so much like princesses that their feminine instinct made them cling to this particular corps. The slightest hint of a new hostess house which was a first Vienna cafe until taken over by the army of occupation. This lonely captain was told by the doorkeeper that the Y. W. C. A. hostess house was reserved exclusively for "ladies and their men friends on Sunday afternoon."

The same captain was trying to live down a faux pas he had made earlier in the day. Major Ballington Booth had done him the signal honor of coming out among the picturesque doughboys of his Teuton village to address his company and, in introducing her, the captain paid an eloquent tribute to the Salvation Army and hailed Booth as one of its leading spirits and a guardian angel of the A. E. F.

She Hears Rival Praised.

"You men all know," said he, "that whenever there was any fighting going on, the Salvation Army lasses were right there, close up to the firing line, God bless them." Repeating Major Ballington Booth reminded him solidly that she and Hallington Booth were the founders and heads of the Salvation Army's rival organization, the Volunteers of America.

A tale worthy of investigation was told last night by certain French liaison officers. They asserted that many French officers and men have become imbued with much of the true American spirit as the result of their contact with Americans and they are now all eager to make money after the American model of "big business." They said the real explanation of why France has been urging the quickest possible peace was that the French army wanted to get busy making money. They quoted a French chief of staff as saying, in the French idiomatic equivalent: "Gee! If I can run my division the way I have, why can't they manage a big corporation just as successfully—and make some money?"

"Strong Man" of Germany Fennell.

The army of occupation's special liaison officer in German affairs is chiefly interested in (Concluded on Page 2, Column 1.)

