

PETROGRAD CITY OF DESPAIR, FAMINE

Two Million Persons in Once Opulent Capital in Shadow of Starvation.

UKRAINE SUPPLIES CUT OFF

Those Once Wealthy Now Impoverished—Army Officers Shine Boots, Frock-Coated, Silk-Hatted Men Sell Papers.

PETROGRAD, June 15.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Petrograd is a city of despair and near starvation. A great majority of the two million persons now crowded into the once proud capital of Peter the Great, know that it means to be without food—and know that winter is coming with worse in store.

The people talk, dream and when they can, eat food. Long lines form early in the morning before the shops to buy food. Thousands of men in military uniforms in a wild scramble for food brought in by peasants and traveling soldiers. In front of every shop window where foodstuffs are displayed, people stand and gaze longingly.

Petrograd is a city with its pockets full of worthless money. Money presses are working overtime and wages are increasing, but neither can keep up with the rising prices. Street Vendors Mobilize. The Nevsky Prospekt, "the" street of Petrograd, is picturesque evidence of the city's interest in food.

Persons who formerly owned automobiles and lived in palace-like homes are selling candy and biscuits in the streets to earn their living. Their customers are equally sad and workmen who buy biscuits at fabulous prices because even they, part of the time, cannot get any food.

One need not be surprised if the lady dressed in silks and satins—once a member of the bourgeoisie who sells a biscuit on the corner—addresses him in any of the two or three foreign languages she knows.

All on Working Basis. Then one may buy newspapers from grey beads in frock coats and silk hats and former army officers in shiny boots. All are trying to earn a living in the "commune" of Petrograd, where property is confiscated and incomes have vanished.

Some of those on the Nevsky are girls, pretty ones, and they walk the long length of the street all day and into the night, asking for the little postage stamps that pass for money in Russia now because they are hungry for bread or chocolate or newspapers, to the rollicking sailors and debauched speculators.

One of the mysteries of Russia is where the vendors of cakes and biscuits get the things they sell. There is absolutely no flour to be had and the bread allowance per person which one sometimes does not get is half a pound daily for the proletariat and one-eighth of a pound daily for the bourgeoisie.

Mystery Bread Sold. The bread is black and heavy and its ingredients cannot be identified. Sugar cannot be obtained in the shops. In the homes, dried cabbage and what bread is available is the diet for the majority. Eggs and milk are high in price and extremely scarce.

BOLESHIEVSKI SLAY TWO NOTED SLAVS

Mademoiselle Spirodonova and M. Katzkamkof Reported to Have Been Executed.

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AVIATION FATALITIES 3

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WASHINGTON, July 20.—There were only three fatalities in airplane accidents in Army aviation camps in the United States during the week ending July 20, said a statement today by the War Department. They occurred at San Antonio.

HEMPSTEAD, N. Y., July 20.—Lieutenant C. H. Haynes, of Dorchester, Mass., was killed here today when a giant battle plane which he was piloting fell 100 feet. His neck was broken. His mechanic, Private Minard S. Moist, sustained a broken leg and a broken collar bone.

Lieutenant Haynes was about 39 years old. Moist's home is in Los Angeles, Cal.

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From July 31 to September 28, both inclusive, British subjects in the United States, including declarants who are at present of draft age, have their last chance to enlist, if they wish, in the British and Canadian armies. After September 29 they become liable to compulsory service under the draft law of their respective countries.

British subjects, including declarants 20 years of age, and between 21 and 44, both inclusive, are also within the recruiting conventions. For these men, President Wilson will appoint a day on which they will have to register. For 30 days after that day they will have their last chance of voluntarily enlisting in the British and Canadian armies.

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Convention of Miners to be Called at Spokane. Government Aid to Increase Output Expected and Will be Utilized to Full Extent.

SPokane, Wash., July 17.—(Special.)—Spokane is to have a gold convention at an early date. This has been decided upon by officials of the Northwest Mining Association, subject to the approval of a special meeting to be called for next Thursday to indorse the undertaking and arrange dates, committees, delegates and program.

Gold production has become of such importance to America that the government has called upon all districts to yield to the limit and has indicated that substantial aid will be given to the industry. "There is a desire on behalf of owners of gold properties to take advantage of the turn in affairs and get into the game with vigor. All are agreed that some aid should be given and given quickly, but there is a wide difference of opinion as to the means."

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SEATTLE, Wash., July 27.—S. C. Jackson, president of the Logan Commercial Company, whose offices in downtown building here, was arrested today following the return of Federal grand jury indictments charging him with forging bills of lading. Government prosecutors alleged Jackson borrowed more than \$10,000 on the worthless bills.

One set of the bills purported to show the government alleges, that Jackson shipped to New York 1900 cases of condensed milk for the Western Condensed Milk Company, of Newberg, Or., and the Solo Milk Company, of Scio, Or. In reality no milk was shipped. It was charged that Jackson was an agent of the two Oregon firms.

It is said that a boat with five fishermen went out sailing from Oriskany Island, Maine, for a boating party, and received \$500 for their day's work, sharing \$100 each.

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These Two Suites Are Finished to Match in "Hand-Rubbed" Golden Wax. \$47.75 and \$44.10.

Exclusive Edwards Suites That Are in a Class by Themselves. \$88.80 and \$22.95.

"Easy-to-Open — Easy-to-Close" BIG MATTRESS DAVENPORTS \$55.75—\$6 Cash \$1 Week.

It's Just Simply Wonderful. "This Sleepwell" with its flower-strewn article and big rolled edge mainly because it is guaranteed NOT to lump, and sells for only \$23.00.

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KAISER SNUBS LUXBURG. Former Minister to Argentina Is Refused Chance to Explain. LONDON, July 27.—Emperor William has refused to receive Count Luxburg so that the former German Minister to Argentina might justify himself, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam.

HOME GUARDS MAY GET RIFLES. WASHINGTON, July 27.—The order of the Adjutant-General prohibiting the issue of rifles to home guard organizations until the quota for the National Guard has been filled was modified today, so that the home guard may be supplied where the rifles are not actually needed for National Guard units already organized.

CAMP AGE LIMIT LOWERED. Men Under 40 Years Eligible for Officers' Training School. A dispatch revoking the order allowing men up to 45 years to be admitted to centers for officers' training camps and putting the age limit back to 40 was received yesterday morning by Colonel W. H. C. Bowen, U. S. A., professor of military science and tactics at the University of Oregon.