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CONDITIONS IN RUSSIA SHOW IMPROVEMENT

Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates Nominate Five Radicals for Proposed Coalition Cabinet.

VOICE OF PEOPLE NOW SAID TO LEAD NATION

Anarchy in Vladivostok Denied and Complete Quiet Is Reported.

"What Are We Fighting For?"
Petrograd, May 17.—(U. P.)—
Russia hasn't any symbol of
her new estate. She hasn't any
flag; there is no national an-
them. The present national
anthem may be due to this very
lack of some national symbol.
Every American knows the
American eagle stands for
something; that the Star Spangled
Banner means a very definite
thing.
But in Russia the eagles of
autocracy have been barred as
a symbol. The Russian flag
has been discarded. The red
flag replaced it. The red flag
was a distinct symbol—the
mark of revolution. It accom-
plished its purpose. Now the
revolution is over and the flag
has lost its meaning.
Peace really seems to be the
national symbol—not revolu-
tion. The new symbol of "peace"
is to be found in the question
which is on the lips of the en-
tire proletariat—"what are we
fighting for?"

By William G. Shepherd.

Petrograd, May 17.—(U. P.)—The
workmen's and soldiers' delegates to-
day nominated five radicals for the
proposed coalition cabinet.
Their choices:
Minister of justice—M. Malgante-
vitch, a social democrat.
Minister of agriculture—Tschernov,
revolutionary socialist.
Minister of munitions—Pleshehonov,
people's socialist.
Ministers without portfolio—Sko-
belev, social democrat and Avksentjev,
revolutionary socialist.
There are 11 members to the cabinet
as now constituted by the duma
government but all have portfolios.
Whether the workmen and soldiers
propose that the duma representatives
shall name nine of the regularly con-
stituted cabinet ministers and Sko-
belev and Avksentjev shall be merely
members of the council, was not made
clear.

Coalition Cabinet Seems Certain.

It was apparent, however, that the
crucial period in the dispute between
the soldiers and workmen on the one
hand and the duma leaders on the
other is over.
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SAVING TO TAXPAYERS OF MANY BIG DOLLARS DALY'S PROUD RECORD

Economies Practiced by Mayorality Candidate Cut Costs Far Under 4 Years Ago.

The interest of the voters and tax-
payers of Portland is rapidly centering
upon the seven candidates for
mayor, one of whom will be selected
by the voters at the municipal election
on June 4. At this time of national, state and municipal
stress the taxpayers particularly
are looking at the official records of
the various candidates to see which
has been of financial service to the
people who pay the bills.
Under this scrutiny Will H. Daly
stands in the forefront of the seven
candidates as the one man who, by
reason of municipal service, has saved
the taxpayers of Portland hundreds of
thousands of dollars during the past
four years. At the same time reforms
accomplished through his administra-
tion of the Department of Public Util-
ities have brought added, and contin-
uing, benefit to the pocketbooks of
the people by reducing water rates
and other fixed charges against the
consumer—and all consumers—
which total into annual thousands of
dollars saved.
The cost records of the auditor's
office show that the operating cost of
the bureau of water works was \$541,
000 in 1913.
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Cheer Up! Chicago Has Its First Heat Prostration of 1917

Chicago, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
The first heat prostration of the
year in Chicago came when
William Mueller was stricken
and "cleared" at the hospital.
The mercury ascended to
81 degrees at 3 o'clock in the
afternoon for the high mark of
the day.

Cannery Ship Sunk, 130 Are Believed Lost

Standard, of Libby, McNeill &
Libby Fleet, Wrecked at En-
trance to Bristol Bay.
Seattle, Wash., May 17.—(P. N. S.)—
With only 99 men reported saved out
of 139 on board, the cannery ship
Standard, of the Libby, McNeill & Lib-
by fleet, has been wrecked on the
Wushagak side of the entrance to Bris-
tol bay.
The Standard left San Francisco
April 11 last for Bristol Bay. First
reports here to the merchants' ex-
change said she was a total loss. A
later report says she has been beached.

Sailors Are Warmly Clothed—Daniels

Navy League Claims First United
States Crews to Go Abroad Were
Poorly Equipped.
Washington, May 17.—(U. P.)—The
British admiralty statement that
American sailors on the destroyers
now operating in the submarine zone
had no loans sufficiently warm
clothing, brought forth two conflicting
statements in the case today.
Secretary Daniels issued the follow-
ing list of equipment each man car-
ried:
Heavy winter underwear.
Sea boots.
Heavy pea coat.
Knitted watch caps.
Heavy wool socks.
Jerseys.
Oil-skins.
Lambkin jackets.
The Navy league said that the first
destroyers to go abroad left in such
haste that the sailors were not suffi-
ciently clothed against the bitterly
cold and foggy North sea climate.
League officials said, upon plea from
Daniels, they got women in many sec-
tions of the country to donate the fol-
lowing equipment, which has been
shipped since the American destroy-
ers arrived abroad:
Heavy woolen sweaters,
Mufflers,
Helmets, caps,
Mittens,
Weather coats,
Arctic
Felt knee boots.

Voters' Registration Closes on Saturday

Those Wanting to Vote at County Elec-
tion Have Two Days More; City
Registration Closed May 8.
Saturday is the closing day for regis-
tration for the county election to be
held in the afternoon of the 20th.
Those not yet registered, and who
are unable to register during the day
hours, the registration office in the
county building will be kept open Sat-
urday night until 9 o'clock. This clos-
ing date should not be confused with
the closing date for registration for
the city election to be held, also, June
4, which was May 6.
Although the records evidence a
large number of voters still unregis-
tered, it is believed that registra-
tion is tardy. County Clerk Bever-
idge has issued another appeal to
voters who may have any doubt as to
whether proper registration to verify its
correctness without delay. Warning is
again given to those who although
registered have not voted at the last
two elections, or who have changed
their residence that re-registration is
necessary, under the penalty of having
to swear in their ballots at the polls.

Strike Spreads but Many Leave Ranks

London, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—Al-
though many of the striking munitions
workers in the Manchester district
have returned to work the strike
has spread to Nottingham, where a
number of men have gone out.
The Daily Express, in commenting
upon the general industrial unrest,
says that it is obvious that an organ-
ized plot exists to hinder the output
of war materials. However, says this
paper, the conspiracy has no chance of
success. The agitators have recently
approached the Chatham dock workers.

Desire to Be Locked Up Is Complied With

Chicago, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—Robert
J. Mathis, after writing several
letters to President Wilson protesting
against America's entry into the
war, wrote one that read:
"I ask you to send a secret service
operative and get me. I ought to be
locked up."
The request was complied with to-
day.

Further Power to Take Ships Asked

Washington, May 17.—(U. P.)—
Secretary Daniels today asked congress
to give the president power to re-
quisition all American ships already
constructed. This power, Daniels said,
is not contained in pending bills.
The navy presented the urgent need of fuel
for all American ships already
also, it is believed, is planned to reach
tugboats whose owners have refused
to sell to the government.

Steamer Reports Wreckage at Sea

An American Port, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
The steamship Jelling, from
Manzanillo, Cuba, reported sighting a
mass of wreckage about 83 miles from
the American coast, indicating that a
vessel had been lost at that point.

SENATORS FIGHT DRAFT FEATURE OF ARMY BILL

La Follette, Reed and Others Who Opposed War With Germany Stir Up Bitter Fight on Conscription.

CHAMBERLAIN CHARGES POLITICS BEING PLAYED

Stone of Missouri and Oregon Solon Have Hot Argument Over Delays.

First to Be Called in September.
Washington, May 17.—(U. P.)—
The first 500,000 men un-
der the new selective service
bill will not be called until
about September 1, it became
known today.
Secretary Baker, in a letter
to Senator Jones, Washington,
said that the delay to the call
is due to "the depleted state of
war supplies."

Washington, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
The conscription fight in congress was
officially won early this evening when
the senate agreed to the report of the
house and senate conferees. The house
had already accepted the report which
"authorizes" the president to create
the Roosevelt division. The bill now
goes to President Wilson for his sig-
nature. The vote was 65 to 8.
Those voting against the measure
were Senators Gore, Gronna, Hard-
wick, Kirby, La Follette, Norris, Stone
and Trammell.

Washington, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
The conference agreement on the con-
scription bill, accepted yesterday by
the house, has met with an unex-
pected opposition when it was taken
up in the senate this afternoon, and
one of the bitterest fights of the ses-
sion ensued.
Senators McKellar, Hoke Smith,
Hardwick, Reed and La Follette as-
sailed the action of the conferees in
opposing the delay to the call. The
provision specifically limiting conscrip-
tion to the period of the war. It was
openly charged that it was a part of
a scheme on the part of the military
authorities to fasten universal service
upon the country after the close of the
war.
Hardwick Protests Loudly.
Senator Hoke Smith declared the
bill should be sent back to conference
with instructions that the provision
be restored to the measure. Senator
Reed, in a similar vein, charged the con-
ference with failing to make a "real
fight" for the senate provision.
"In the name of fair play and de-
mocracy,"
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Argentina Decides To Keep Her Wheat

Prohibition on Exportation of Grain Is Announced From Buenos Aires for Second Time.

Buenos Aires, May 17.—(U. P.)—The
Argentine government today an-
nounced a prohibition on the exportation
of wheat.
It was the government's second an-
nouncement of an embargo. The first,
effective early in April, was held in
abeyance through protest of Great
Britain, backed by the United States.
At that time the British government
threatened to cut off all shipments of
coal to Argentina. The United States
was reported tacitly to have joined in
this application of pressure on Ar-
gentina and the original embargo was
changed.
The settlement provided that Eng-
land should be permitted to purchase
an enormous quantity of Argentine
wheat, that the embargo be lifted late
in the fall when the Australian crop was
harvested.
Whether the embargo today is with
regard to this agreement with England
or is an independent step by the re-
public is not made known.

Villista Leader Was Killed in a Quarrel

El Paso, Texas, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
The death of General Jose Ynes
Salazar, Villa commander, was ex-
plained today in a message received by
the Carranza cabinet. E. Soriano Bravy,
the Carranza chief of staff, said that
General Salazar was killed by a fellow
leader, the dispatch said, in an argu-
ment over the division of money ob-
tained by Villa raiders in a recent at-
tack upon the T-O ranch, owned by
Morris & Co. of Chicago.

McNaughton Named To Succeed O'Hara

Salem, Or., May 17.—E. B. Mc-
Naughton, architect of Portland, has
been appointed chairman of the state
industrial welfare commission, to suc-
ceed Father E. B. O'Hara, of Portland,
who has resigned after four years' service.

Attacks on French Ships Bring Protest

Madrid, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—The
French government has sent a note to
Spain protesting vigorously against
the frequent attacks upon French
ships in Spanish waters.

1,260,000 of Germans Are Used in West

Greatest Force Ever Called Into Action Massed in Effort to Stop Allied Drive.

With the French armies in the field,
May 17.—(U. P.)—The greatest force
of men Germany has ever called into
action has been massed on the west
front in Hindenburg's effort to stop
the Franco-British drive. Between
April 9 and May 11 there were at least
1,260,000 men engaged on the German
side.
Headquarters estimates today, based
on careful calculations and evidence
obtained from prisoners and scouting
raids, showed in the period mentioned
that the German commander-in-chief
utilized 84 German divisions. Seven
of these were engaged twice in the
fighting in this month's period.
The greatest previous massing of
German forces was around Verdun.
The fighting there is probably the
nearest comparable to the fierceness
of the struggle now progressing in the
allied drive. The German year
from February, 1916, to February, 1917,
the Germans engaged only 56 1/2 divi-
sions—about 847,500 men—using 14 of
these twice and six divisions three
times.
In a little over a month, therefore,
in struggling against the Franco-British
drive, Germany has called into action
a force almost double the number of
fighters she threw into one year's cam-
paign against Verdun.

JUDGE BINGHAM HOLDS 'BEAN BILL' MUST GO ON BALLOT IN MARION

Steps Immediately Taken to Appeal Case to Supreme Court; Reasons Given.

Circuit Judge George H. Bingham, of
Marion county, in a written opinion
handed down in Portland this morning,
held that the demurrer filed by Frank
Grant and L. E. Bean, in the injunction
proceedings instituted by District At-
torney May, against the Marion county
election board, was proper. The judge
held that the "Bean bill" should go on
the Marion county ballot. Judge Mar-
tin J. Pipps, arguing the case on
behalf of Mr. Gehlrich, will at once
appeal from the decision to the supreme
court.
Judge Pipps, in support of the peti-
tion for an injunction, contended that
the Bean bill had not been legally en-
acted because the record showed that
the senate amendments had received
but 28 affirmative votes, while the con-
stitution requires an affirmative vote
of 31 members in the house.
Judge Bingham held that there were
two principles of law which defeated
the petition for injunction—one that
contemporaneous legislative interpre-
tation of the constitutional require-
ments is entitled to the force of judi-
cial exposition, and second, that where
the question is not free from doubt
that it itself is a sufficient reason for
sustaining the act.
The court held that it is not re-
quired that a roll call be taken and re-
corded in the legislature by either
house upon concurrence in the amend-
ments of the other, and points out that
the record shows that the senate amend-
ment to have been concurred in by
the house by a vote of 28 to 26 with
two absent, and that the bill was af-
terwards passed by the house, the house
governor.
This record, Judge Bingham holds,
is sufficient to show that the senate amend-
ment concurred in by the house.
The court makes no comment upon
the fact that the house journal shows,
both by the roll call and by the pro-
ceedings of Representative Eaton, that
less than the constitutional majority had
been given on concurrence, thus show-
ing in an affirmative record that less
than 21 members of the constitutionally
enact a measure, had voted for it. His
only allusion to that contention made
by Judge Pipps was the statement that
the majority which was required to en-
act a measure, had voted for it. His
argument that the amendment may be
of more importance than the original
bill and will result in the amendments
becoming a part of the act by a ma-
jority of the members of the body."
Judge Pipps will complete his appeal
this afternoon and file it in the su-
preme court Friday.

WHEAT AND FLOUR PRICES IN CHICAGO CONTINUE TO FALL

Foodstuff Quotations in General Show Signs of Decline.

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low as \$15. Butter and eggs were
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thing to do with it, while persons in
close touch with official affairs held
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Contract Relinquishment Asked

Minneapolis, Minn., May 17.—(U. P.)—
The United States government has
asked the allies to relinquish contracts
for American wheat futures, according
to a dispatch received in the presence
of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce
today. July opened down 17 cents below
last night's close of \$2.43 as a result
of the reported action.

Berlin Socialists Reveal Hostility

Amsterdam, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—A
Socialist demonstration took place
in Berlin Wednesday night, says a
dispatch received in the presence of
today. Speeches were made and the
persons taking part in the manifesta-
tion marched through the streets.
The demonstration was against Dr.
Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the chan-
cellor.
Reichstag Adjourns Till July 5.
Berlin, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—All hope
of a declaration of peace in the Reich-
stag before mid-summer disappeared
today, when that body adjourned until
July 5.
The Social Democrats spoke and
voted against the war budget.

American Red Cross Hospital Dedicated

Paris, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—The
American Red Cross hospital estab-
lished by Dr. Joseph Blake of New
York, has been opened and a number
of wounded were received today from
the Aisne river fighting front. Elabo-
rate dedication services were held with
the frequent attacks upon French
ships in Spanish waters, officiating.

HEAVY TAXES ON INCOMES ARE DECIDED UPON

House Begins Revision of Proposed Schedule in Response to Demand From McAdoo for More Money.

AMENDMENT PROVIDES SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE

Incomes Below \$60,000 Not to Be Affected by Latest Suggestion.

Washington, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
The house late this afternoon in com-
mittee on the revenue bill adopted the
Lenroot amendments to the revenue bill
increasing surtaxes on incomes.
The increases authorized ranged
from a surtax of 17.50 per cent on in-
comes from \$50,000 to \$100,000, to a
surtax of 41.25 per cent upon incomes
from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. The an-
nual surtax on all incomes in excess
of one million dollars is 45 per cent.
Majority Leader Kitchin, who earlier
in the day endorsed the amendments,
voted against them.
Washington, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
Confronted by a demand from Sec-
retary McAdoo for more money than the
war revenue bill was drafted to raise,
the house began today a revision of
the income tax schedules. On a viva
voce vote the house adopted, in com-
mittee of the whole, the first of a
series of amendments offered by Rep-
resentative Lenroot of Wisconsin, rais-
ing the surtax on incomes above \$50,000
25 per cent. This first amendment in-
creased the surtax on incomes between
\$60,000 and \$80,000 from 11 per cent
as proposed in the bill, to 13 1/2 per
cent.
Lenroot's amendments will add 25
per cent to all the higher surtaxes.
Majority Leader Kitchin said it would
be a mistake to make an amendment in
view of Secretary McAdoo's statement
that the bill must produce \$2,-
245,215,000, instead of \$1,890,000,000,
as originally estimated.
More Revenue Is Required.
In his announcement to the house,
Leader Kitchin said he had just been
informed of the need by the treasury
department.
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Rear Admiral William S. Sims, in command of the flotilla of American
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England Thrilled at Word That Sims' Fleet Is Actually in European Waters, "Ready for Immediate Duty," Against the Germans.

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5,000,000 Russians Killed or Wounded

Washington, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
Five millions of Russians have been
killed and wounded since the begin-
ning of the war, according to Mrs. H.
Wynn, an English Red Cross worker,
who was for 18 months on the Russia
front. Mrs. Wynn is now in Washing-
ton, telling Red Cross officials of the
debt that the allies owe Russia.

Famous French Air Man Killed in Battle

Amsterdam, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
Captain Rene Doumer, famous French
air man and son of the former presi-
dent of the French chamber of depu-
ties, has been killed in battle, says a
Berlin dispatch printed in the Tele-
graph today.

7000 Laborers Join Strikers in Mexico

Mexico City, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—
The labor union in the mining dis-
tricts, which was already grave, was
made more alarming today by the
strike of 7000 laborers in the Pachuca
district. The union was demanding a
wage increase of 50 per cent.

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DETAILS REGARDING LIBERTY LOAN BONDS REACH HERE TODAY

Bonds Will Be 3 1-2s and Denominations Range \$50 to \$100,000.

Official information about the gov-
ernment's liberty loan reached Port-
land banks and other financial insti-
tutions from the treasury department
today, together with application blanks
for bonds.
The bonds will be 3 1/2 per cents and
will be issued in two forms, registered
and coupon or bearer bonds. The
bonds, which will be issued in \$50,
\$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000,
\$50,000 and \$100,000 denomina-
tions.
They are exempt from taxation except
estate and inheritance taxes. In
subsequent bond issues bear greater
interest, certificates of the present
issue may be converted to the higher
issue.
The treasury department in Wash-
ington, and the 12 federal reserve
banks, and their branches will com-
mence to sell the bonds on June 15,
1917. The coupon bonds will be issued
on or after June 15, 1922, in 15 years.
The coupon bonds will be issued in
denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500
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