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FOOD CONTROL BILL PASSED BY SENATE

Minimum Price of \$2 a Bushel for Wheat is Guaranteed By Measure.

Washington.—Virtually re-written as it came from the house a month ago, the administration food control bill, modified but still giving the president broad authority to regulate foods, feeds and fuels; providing for a board of three food commissioners instead of a single individual and authorizing a minimum guaranteed price of \$2 a bushel for wheat, was passed by the senate.

Prohibition provisions, prohibiting further manufacture of distilled beverages and directing the president to buy all distilled beverages in bond, were left unchanged. The final vote on the bill was 51 to 6.

President Wilson asked congress to eliminate from the food control bill a senate amendment creating a joint committee of senators and representatives to confer and advise with executive officials on war expenditures.

In a letter to Chairman Lever, of the house agriculture committee, the president pointed out in frank terms that such a committee would be likely to harass constantly those directly responsible for the conduct of the war. Retention of the section, he notified congress, he would be compelled to interpret as signifying "a lack of confidence in myself."

Plans worked out in congress for raising war revenue were overturned by announcement of forthcoming additional estimates for war expenditures aggregating more than \$5,000,000,000, principally in anticipation of assembling a second army of 500,000 men under the selective draft.

MEN WILL BE DRAFTED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1

Washington.—Before September 1 thousands of men sifted from the top of the draft list will be in khaki, it was officially predicted here.

As a result of the drawing, every registered man receives a definite place in the liability-for-service list. Already 487,000 have been ordered to the colors to fill to war strength the regular army and national guard and to constitute the first increment of the national army.

To obtain that total 1,374,000 men will be called for examination within a few weeks, officials estimating that two registrants must be called for every soldier accepted. These 1,374,000 will be taken from the head of the liability list.

Provost-Marshal-General Crowder ruled that posting at the board headquarters of the list of men ordered to appear constitutes legal notification. It therefore is incumbent upon all registered men to learn their red ink numbers at once and to see that the board headquarters is watched when the list is posted. Those ordered up also will be notified by mail, but the period allowed for appearance will count from the posting of the list.

SHIPPING BOARD CHANGED

Goethals, Denman and White Are Eliminated.

Washington.—President Wilson cleaned house in the shipping board. He eliminated Major General Goethals, William Denman and John B. White from the board and the emergency fleet corporation, accepting the proffered resignations of Goethals and White and requesting the resignation of Mr. Denman.

The president then appointed Edward N. Hurley of Chicago, former member of the federal trade commission, to succeed Mr. Denman. Bainbridge Colby of New York to succeed Mr. White.

Rear Admiral Washington L. Capps to succeed General Goethals.

With the changes in the board will come a complete reorganization of methods. It was stated officially that the president now will insist that the work of building a merchant fleet by the United States proceed without any delay.

Austro-German Drive Unchecked. Berlin, via London.—The advance of the Austro-German forces in eastern Galicia continues uninterrupted, the war office announces. Tarnopol has been captured and the Germans are nearing Bucsbac.

EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

Intense raiding activity continues on the western front by the British.

German troops in Eastern Galicia have crossed the Zlochoff-Tarnopol road on a front of 40 kilometers, German headquarters announced.

The Russian premier Lvoff has resigned and Alexander F. Kerensky has been appointed premier, but will temporarily retain his portfolio of minister of war and marine.

The Germans continue their offensive against French troops on the Chemin des Dames, hurling great masses of men in fruitless attacks. The assaults were repelled, the French war office said.

The Germans made furious assaults on the Aisne front, bringing up fresh troops. The official statement says the attacks were broken up by the French, who inflicted great losses upon them. The Germans also attacked on the Verdun front, but gained no success.

Russia's shaken armies in Galicia are still in a retreat which bids fair not to end until they reach approximately the line occupied by them last year before General Brussiloff began his big offensive. Despite this extensive retrograde movement, covering virtually all the front between the north Galician border and the Carpathian foothills, the tone of both official and unofficial dispatches from Petrograd shows confidence that the disorganization in the army will be adequately dealt with and a firm front again presented to the enemy.

PREMIER KERENSKY



Alexander Kerensky, the young minister of Russia, who has been made premier.

RUSSIA IS WARNED BY NEW PREMIER

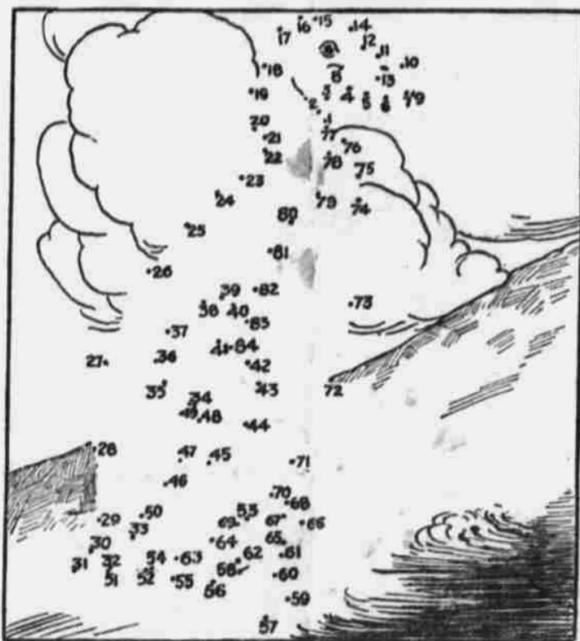
Petrograd.—"A blood and iron policy" will be put into effect, if needed, to save Russia, by the government of Premier Kerensky, to which unlimited power has been granted. In an interview the premier said: "Relying upon the confidence of the masses and the army, the government will save Russia and Russian unity by blood and iron, if argument and reason, honor and conscience are not sufficient.

"The situation at the front is very serious and demands heroic measures. But I am convinced the organism of the state is sufficiently vigorous to be cured without a partial amputation."

The council of soldiers' and workmen's delegates and peasants of all Russia voted to grant the government of Premier Kerensky "unlimited powers" under the title "government of national safety," for the re-establishment of public order, both at the front and at home.

Minimum Wheat Price at Primaries. Washington.—The senate amendment to the food bill adopted by the senate fixed a minimum price of wheat at \$2 a bushel, and is interpreted by western senators to mean that this price will apply to Portland and Seattle, which are primary markets for the northwest. The wheat growers of the Inland Empire are not guaranteed \$2 by this provision, but \$2, less the freight rate from the point of production to either Portland or Seattle.

Fill In Picture Puzzle No. 14



THE ostrich, the last picture you drew, is a big and queer looking bird, isn't it, children? Your mamma may have used ostrich plumes in her hat. The kick of the ostrich is as bad as that of the mule. There are many ostrich farms in Texas and California. Now, the next bird that you can draw, if you get out your soft pencil and begin at No. 1, is spelled with only three letters. It lives in cold regions. The great auk's eggs are almost as valuable as diamonds.

Allies Give Greece Freedom.

Washington.—The allied control of Greece's internal situation has been formally abandoned, according to an Athens cable to the Greek legation here.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Wheat—Club \$2.08; bluestem \$2.15; red Russian, \$2.08; forty-fold, \$2.12. Barley—No. 1 feed, \$43 per ton. Hay—Timothy, \$26 per ton; alfalfa, \$18. Butter—Creamery, 38c. Eggs—Ranch, 34c. Wool—Eastern Oregon, 61c; valley, 75c. Mohair—65c per lb.

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem \$2.15; turkey red, \$2.12; forty-fold, \$2.10; club, \$2.08; red Russian, \$2.08. Barley—\$42.50 per ton. Butter—42c. Eggs—Ranch, 40c.

Declaration of Independence by Finns. Helsinki, Finland.—A conflict with Russia is regarded as inevitable because of the action of the Finnish diet in adopting a bill granting independence to Finland.

Sweden Seizes Food.

Stockholm.—The Swedish government has expropriated growing crops of all cereals, legumes and sugar beets.

Government Lets Contract for Cycles.

Washington.—The war department has contracted for 5000 motorcycles for the new army.

Threshing has begun around Pilot Rock, where wheat is yielding about 20 bushels. Barley is very light.

It Depends on the Dog.

Two Broadway business men met before a bar. They were good friends. "I'm worried a little," said one. "My chauffeur ran over a dog today and killed it."

"Oh, I wouldn't worry about a little thing like that," said the other. "The dog probably got in the way. These dogs are a pest."

"But it was your dog." "What?" came from the second. "My dog? I'm sorry, but that will cost you \$100. That chauffeur of yours is too careless. I insist on the hundred, understand."—New York Telegraph.

So 'Twould. "How would you like to take a trip in a submarine?" "I shouldn't care for that," replied the society bud.

"Why not?" "Oh, dear! Must I really tell you? An ocean voyage would be frightfully boring, you know, if there were no place to dawdle."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Rack Rents. A "rack rent" is a "rent that is equivalent to the full net annual value of the real property out of which it issues, or approximately so." By statute in England today rack rent is defined as "not less than two-thirds of the full net annual value of the lands out of which it arises."

Name of the Collie. The collie's name appears to be shrouded in mystery, but there seems to be a fairly reasonable foundation for supposing that it is from "coll" or "collar," on account of the broad white mark round the neck which is seen in the majority of these dogs.—Exchange.

Ancient Candles. Candles used by the Romans were composed of string surrounded by either wax or pitch. Splinters of wood covered with fat were used by the English poorer classes about 1300.

MAY LOWER FLOUR PRICES

Big Reduction Predicted as Result of Minimum Wheat Price.

Chicago.—The senate amendment to the food control bill, fixing a \$2 minimum on the best grade of wheat, means lower flour prices, in the view of J. P. Griffin, president of the Chicago board of trade.

Board of trade operators have believed that the wheat minimum should have been placed higher, as July futures closed Saturday at \$2.55 per bushel and September at \$2.27. Cash wheat sold at \$2.49 a bushel for No. 2 northern, which is two grades below No. 1 northern, fixed as a basis for the \$2 rate by the senate action.

Speculation in wheat and corn has practically ceased. The grain trade is frankly puzzled as to the future of the market, assuming that the house will occur in the senate amendment.

16,000 Men in Army Division.

Washington.—Secretary Baker announces that in pursuance of suggestions growing out of the conferences of American army officers with General Joffre, tactical units of the national army will be organized on a basis of about 16,000 men each in place of 24,000.

CHANCELLOR MICHAELIS



Dr. Georg Michaelis, who succeeded Von Bethmann-Hollweg as chancellor of the German empire.

SEATTLE IS IN GRIP OF INDUSTRIAL WAR

Seattle, Wash.—Seattle is in the throes of the greatest labor upheaval in the city's history. The climax is being awaited with grave anticipation. On the horizon looms an industrial debacle that threatens to tear at the very heart of Seattle's life and paralyze the city's industries.

There are many strikes, including the timber-workers, shingle-weavers, express wagon drivers, junkmen and even policemen, but above all stand the motormen, conductors and other employees of the Puget Sound Traction, Light & Power company, the storm center of Seattle for years. One thousand, six hundred carmen are out on strike. Every car is idle.

One of the outstanding features of the strike situation is the attitude of the police department. Already 15 officers have been discharged or quit because they firmly refused to ride as guards on streetcars and express wagons where nonunion men are in charge. Mayor Gill has ordered the arrest of these policemen on charges of nonfeasance.

Alton W. Leonard, president of the Puget Sound Traction, Light & Power company, announced that the company had no answer to make to an offer from the streetcar men's union strike committee to arbitrate all other questions if the men discharged in Seattle and Tacoma for joining the union were reinstated.

State of War is Declared by Siam.

London.—Siam has declared that a state of war exists with Germany and Austria, according to a Ruter dispatch from Bangkok, and nine steamers, aggregating 19,000 tons, have been seized.

Canadian Commons Votes for Draft.

Ottawa, Ont.—The conscription bill passed the house of commons by a majority of 54.

Bangkok.—Siam has seized all the Austro-German ships in her harbors.

GERMAN ATTACK IN CHAMPAGNE FAILS

French Repulse 40th Attempt to Take Chemin des Dames Since May 4.

Grand Headquarters of the French Army in France.—The watchword of the French troops at Verdun—"they shall not pass"—has applied equally to the Champagne, and the French showed the crown prince's army that the Chemin des Dames was a closed road to them.

On Sunday morning the Germans, in great force, made their 40th attempt since the French captured Craonne on May 4, to secure possession of the famous road. This effort was one of the biggest offensive movements they had made since Verdun, so far as artillery was concerned and proved an undoubted failure.

At 5 o'clock the German infantry started from their trenches. Rifle and machine gun fire began cracking while the trench mortars hurled torpedoes and the rifle grenadiers opened a wicked barrage fire as soon as the Germans, who had been awaiting the prearranged signal to spring forward, began to leave their jumping-off parallels.

German shock units, as usual, led the way, followed by waves of ordinary infantry, who were to occupy and organize any ground captured. The attacking forces soon melted to a thin line under the withering French fire which met them, and those still able retreated hurriedly to their own line, which meanwhile came under an inferno of French shell fire that made the German trenches untenable.

ENGLISH PREMIER ANSWERS MICHAELIS

London.—The British prime minister, David Lloyd George, speaking at a great patriotic demonstration, in commemoration of "Belgian independence day" characterized the speech of the German chancellor, Dr. Georg Michaelis, as a mere sham and declared that he did not want the Germans to "harbor any delusions that they are going to put Great Britain out of this fight until liberty has been re-established throughout the world."

Far from being starved by the U-boats, Mr. Lloyd George declared, Great Britain's food supply for 1917-1918 was already obtained, production was increasing and losses at sea were diminishing. He had sought in the chancellor's speech for something upon which he could base a hope for the ending of the bloody struggle.

"But," he declared, "I see in it a sham independence for Belgium, a sham democracy for Germany, a sham peace for Europe, and I say that Europe has not sacrificed millions of her gallant sons to set up a sanctuary for sham."

TEUTONS TURN SOUTHWARD

Effort to Encircle the Russians is Under Way.

Copenhagen.—The Austro-German flood in eastern Galicia has been turned southward in an endeavor to get in the rear of Russian armies between Brzezany and the Dniester, Austrian correspondents report.

The Teutonic forces engaged in this operation, they declare, have reached Koseva station, 10 miles east of Brzezany, which is in Austro-German hands. The Koseva-Tarnopol railroad has been crossed by them in several places. These dispatches forecast the Russian army's stand behind the Sereth and reiterate the reports that Tarnopol was in flames.

A Berlin dispatch says Emperor William has departed for the eastern front.

First Address by German Chancellor.

Copenhagen.—With the statement that Germany's wish is to conclude peace as combatants who have successfully accomplished their purpose, yet admitting the severity of the food situation, Dr. Georg Michaelis, the new imperial chancellor of Germany, made his first address before the Reichstag. Dr. Michaelis declared adherence to the submarine campaign as a means of hastening the end of the war, and looked lightly upon the entry of the United States into the war.

H. W. Collins of Pendleton has purchased the first wheat of the season, 3500 bushels Turkey Red, at \$2.00.

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