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ITALIANS ARE DRIVING HUNS IN MOUNTAINS

GERMAN LINES HAVE BEEN PENETRATED AND 1,500 PRISONERS ARE CAPTURED

TEUTON AIRPLANES SHOT DOWN

Reinforcements That Were Being Hurried Forward by Huns Are Dispersed by Deadly Allied Fire

Berlin, Jan. 29.—The Italians launched a violent attack on Sunday on the northern mountain front, between Asiago and Brenta river.

Rome, Jan. 29.—Italians made a heavy attack yesterday, on the northern mountain front and broke into the enemy's lines. Reinforcements which the enemy was hurrying down Nos and Campomio valleys, were dispersed by the Italians and allies. Twelve Teuton airplanes were brought down and Italians held mastery of the air everywhere. Over 1,500 prisoners were taken. The enemy's positions on the heights east of Asiago basin, were broken at several points and violent counterattacks were repulsed.

Berlin, Jan. 29.—Italians attacking Austrians in the Col Del Rossa region and between Frenzela ravine and Brenta river have been thrown back, it is officially announced.

BRITISH CASUALTIES ARE ONE HALF OF LAST WEEK

London, Jan. 29.—British casualties during the week ending yesterday were 8,588, divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds: Officers, 25; men, 1,714. Wounded or missing: Officers 128; men, 6,721. These figures represent the virtual cutting in half of British casualties as compared with the previous week when 17,043 were reported. Two weeks ago the high total of 24,379 was reached.

RED GUARD IS NOW IN CONTROL OF FINLAND

Copenhagen, Jan. 29.—The Red Guard has won complete control of Helsinki, capital of Finland, Stockholm reports say. It is not known whether or not Finnish government officials escaped from the revolutionists.

URGE SOLDIERS TO TAKE INSURANCE

The following telegram was received from the Seattle Red Cross headquarters urging enlisted men to avail themselves of the government's insurance offer. O. S. Blanchard, Josephine County Chapter, A. R. C., Grants Pass: Only one fifth of all enlisted men have insured under the federal war insurance. All others must insure before February 12 or lose option. Every effort of your home service workers and chapter officials should be devoted to inducing all families of enlisted men within your chapter jurisdiction to write their men urging that full \$10,000 insurance be taken out. Letter follows. C. D. STIMSON. Parents and friends who are in touch with enlisted men should make a special effort to have their soldiers realize the great advantages of this insurance. Only a short time is left in which to avail themselves of the offer, and the Red Cross committee on civilian relief asks that every man in the service be urged to insure at once.

GERMANS MAKE RAID ON LONDON

German Airship Drops 10,000 Feet in Flames and Crew of Three Are Burned to Death

London, Jan. 29.—A score or more airplanes have raided England. Five reached London, one of which fell in flames from an altitude of 10,000 feet. All three of the crew were burned to death. All British pilots returned after engagements in the air. Forty-seven persons are reported killed and 169 injured.

London, Jan. 29.—Enemy airplanes dropped bombs on London between 9 and 10 o'clock last evening, according to an official communication issued early this morning.

One of the invading aircraft was brought down in Essex.

The text of the communication says: "Hostile airplanes crossed the Kent and Essex coasts shortly before 8 o'clock last evening and proceeded toward London. Some of the machines penetrated the capital, where bombs were dropped between 9 and 10 o'clock.

"The latest reports show that one enemy machine was brought down by our airmen in Essex."

NOME HAS A WINTER AUTOMOBILE SPEEDWAY

Nome, Alaska, Jan. 29.—Nome's winter automobile speedway is a frozen sandy beach skirting the ice-bound Bering sea for several miles here. Automobile drivers assert the roadway is better than paved highways out in the "states."

THIRD LIBERTY LOAN COMMITTEE MEETING

Portland, Jan. 29.—Definite plans for the third Liberty loan campaign will be arranged at a meeting of the Oregon State central Liberty loan committee at the Multnomah hotel today. Members of the committee representing every county in the state will be present and the organization of the state will be completed and every preparation made to carry on the work of the next loan to a successful conclusion.

The first session of the committee will be at luncheon in the dining room of the Multnomah at 12:30. Edward Cookingham, chairman of the executive committee for the Liberty loan, will preside and will introduce A. L. Mills, chairman of the committee on organization, who will explain the plan of campaign outlined for the third Liberty loan.

"It is the purpose of the state general committee that every man and woman in the state be asked to subscribe to the next Liberty loan. The organization of the state, county and city campaign committees will be completed, and every wheel in the machine greased and ready to start when the baton is pressed in Washington starting the campaign," said Mr. Mills. Robert E. Smith is state campaign manager, and the members of the executive committee are Edward Cookingham, chairman; J. C. Alnsworth, George L. Baker, Franklin T. Griffith, William A. McRae, A. L. Mills, Emory Olmstead, Edgar B. Piper and Nathan Strauss. Josephine county is represented by A. E. Voorhies.

ANOTHER EXPLOSION FOLLOWED BY FIRE

Marquette, Mich., Jan. 29.—An explosion, followed by fire, is wiping out the plant of the Pioneer Iron company, with a loss of at least \$500,000. There is no loss of life. Owing to low pressure freezing weather, it is doubtful about being able to control the conflagration.

SLAVS DESIRE TO CONTINUE PEACE PARLEY

WORKINGMEN'S AND SOLDIERS' CONGRESS APPROVES OF FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS

TROTZKY LEAVES PETROGRAD

Bolsheviki Are Divided on Terms with Germany, But Majority Oppose the Huns

Petrograd, Jan. 29.—Foreign Minister Trotzky has gone to Brest-Litovsk to resume peace negotiations. The congress of workingmen's and soldiers delegates, while deploring the imperialistic tenor of German peace terms, approves all action of Russian delegates and charges the government to continue negotiations.

London, Jan. 29.—The Bolsheviki have split on peace, a majority being against the conclusion of peace on German terms, favoring a holy war, according to Petrograd dispatches, as the present government is unable to wage war. The formation of a coalition of all socialist factions is proposed.

TO SURRENDER ROADS ONE YEAR AFTER WAR

Washington, Jan. 29.—The senate commerce committee has voted to amend the railroad bill so as to provide that the government relinquish control within one year after the war.

BRITISH ALSO MANAGE RAILROAD SYSTEMS

London, Jan. 29.—British railways which have been under state control since the beginning of the war, have been operated through an executive committee of general managers of railways. The working under one control has resulted in many economies and proved of great advantage to the state. Under the original agreement made with the companies they are guaranteed the same net receipts as for 1913. Afterward the companies were given allowances in respect of new capital employed. Irish railways did not come under state control till 1916.

SLAV CABLE LINES HAVE ALL BEEN CUT

Washington, Jan. 29.—Cable and telegraph lines to Russia have been cut. Communication can be had with Petrograd only through Persia and Vladivostok.

REJECTED MEN TO BE CALLED ON FOR SERVICE

Philadelphia, Jan. 29.—Two hundred thousand men rejected in the first draft for slight physical defects which can be corrected will be subject to the second draft. Surgeon General Gorgas told an audience here.

General Gorgas said present plans called for from 12 to 15 hospitals in France to care for reconstruction cases of the American expeditionary forces. The allies the speaker said, have sent back 85 per cent of their wounded to the trenches. Only 15 per cent were permanently disabled. Of the Canadians overseas forces he said but 10 per cent had been invalided home.

COMMITTEES NAMED FOR THE Y. W. C. A.

CITY IS DIVIDED INTO SECTIONS FOR AIDING IN THE CAMPAIGN FOR FUNDS

\$500 FROM JOSEPHINE COUNTY

House to House Canvass Will Be Made by Workers Tomorrow and Success Is Expected

Miss Mary L. Coe, chairman of the Y. W. C. A. drive committee for Grants Pass has made all arrangements to begin the drive tomorrow. The cause is a most worthy one. There has never been a time when the young womanhood of the world has been in such danger as now. The Y. W. C. A. has done wonderful things already in alleviating war conditions. It asks help that it may do more. The Y. W. C. A. works with the Y. M. C. A. and has had definite work assigned it. Much is being done among women munitions workers in the east. The special desire of the workers in the northwest, however, is to erect hostess houses at the various army cantonments. There is a great need of such houses. At many of the cantonments there are no accommodations whatever for mothers, wives or sisters of the soldiers. One mother, after securing for her son permission to meet her, had to talk to him standing outdoors in the rain. The hostess house is designed to remedy such conditions.

It is hoped by the committee that \$500 can be secured in Josephine county. Only modest amounts are to be asked of anyone. It is hoped that all will respond heartily to the effort made in behalf of this worthy cause. The committees and districts are as follows: Chairman, Miss Mary L. Coe. Business directors, Honor Guard Girls, under Miss Parker. South

Including lower 6th, east to R. R.—Mrs. Geo. Dickinson, Mrs. Arthur Denison, Mrs. D. A. Harmon, Mrs. Geo. Cramer. Fourth and Fifth to R. R.—Mrs. D. J. Nazor, Mrs. C. A. Linch. From Oak street East—Mrs. D. J. Manuel, Mrs. Earl Smith, Miss Lee Clardy. Pine and Oak street—Mrs. W. J. Stovall. South of River—Mrs. R. J. Bestul, Mrs. Amos Smith. North From Seventh street East to R. R.—Mrs. P. A. DeGenault, Mrs. J. D. Stinebaugh, Mrs. E. C. Dixon. Lawnridge Ave. and Third street—Mrs. H. N. Starr, Miss Edith Bannard. From Second street west to R. R. including Merlin road—Mrs. H. L. Stonaker, Mrs. E. F. Heath. Washington Blvd., Fourth and Fifth street to R. R., including upper Sixth street—Mrs. S. L. Ross, Mrs. Clarence Wintretout. F. C. Bramwell, treasurer.

BRITISH POST IN RUSSIA IS TO REMAIN VACANT

London, Jan. 29.—Chancellor A. Bonar Law announced in the house of commons this afternoon that the post of ambassador to Russia will remain vacant for the time being.

GENERAL BLISS IS WITH WAR COUNCIL

Versailles, Jan. 29.—General Tarker Bliss is representing the United States at the supreme war council. England, France and Italy are also represented.

BAKER REPLIES TO CHAMBERLAIN

Says That Mistakes Have Happened, But as Far as Possible They Have Been Corrected

Washington, Jan. 29.—The senate military committee has decided to recall Secretary of War Baker for cross examination, before the end of the week and will hurry the demand for a war cabinet and munitions director bills.

Washington, Jan. 29.—In his speech here yesterday Secretary of War Baker emphasized the following points:

That the United States would have half a million fighting men on French soil early this year and that one and a half million American troops in all would be available for foreign duty. This great fighting force, probably little expected by the German general staff itself, will be composed of the men now with General Pershing, the 32 divisions of troops now in cantonments and camps in the United States and ready to move, and by the next increments to be drawn and trained this spring under the selective service law.

Elemental equipment of the men from the United States is assured, and the artillery necessary to their support will come from the British and French governments which have such an excess of ordnance that they have on their own initiative offered to supply the guns and save ships which would be used for their transport.

At the outset the secretary said he thought much criticism came from impatience of the American people to "do this great thing greatly."

He conceded freely that in no great an enterprise it was impossible that there should not be "delay and short comings." The confidence of the country, however, he said, was necessary to the tremendous effort.

Describing the spirit of army officers, Secretary Baker said he had seen "strong, grizzled men turn away from his desk in tears" when they had found that they could not go to France, "where the glory of their profession lay," but must remain in Washington to press forward war preparations. There was no case, he added, of any officer who had not accepted his duty with his whole heart.

Although more than 1,000,000 are under arms in this country, Mr. Baker said, the number of complaints received have been relatively small, probably not more than 18. In each instance, he said, investigations have been made immediately.

Some reports, the secretary said, have not proved serious upon inquiry, while others had in which case corrections followed.

In the case of the body of an officer who died at an aviation training school being shipped home in a sheet, Secretary Baker said, inquiry developed that the camp was in charge of a British aviation officer who followed the British method of sending bodies home unclothed, the man's clothes being shipped in a separate parcel. An American officer was then put in charge.

GERMANS VIOLATE RUSSIAN TREATY

Washington, Jan. 29.—Charges were made today by the war department that Germany is violating the terms of the Russian truce, by withdrawing troops from the eastern front and transferring them to the western lines.

GOEBEN IS FLOATED AND ENTERS DARDANELLES

Berlin, via London, Jan. 29.—It is officially announced that the Turkish cruiser Yawuz Selim (formerly the German cruiser Goeben) has been refloated and entered the Dardanelles.

UNREST OF TEUTONS NOT YET QUELLED

DEUTSCHE TAGES ZEITUNG HAS OPENLY ASKED THE GERMAN PEOPLE TO REVOLT

KAISER IS CALLED A HANGMAN

Vote of Confidence to the Government Is Wrecked in the Reichstag By the Socialists

London, Jan. 29.—It is reported that unrest among the working people of Germany is not yet quieted down. The emperor, in his birthday message to the president of the reichstag, expressed his ardent wish that the people may preserve their union until final victory.

London, Jan. 29.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam says Deutsche Tages Zeitung openly calls upon the German people to revolt against the present regime.

"We, too," says this pan-German organ, "have a Judas among us today. He appears in the red coat and mantle of Germany's hangman. Who will save Germany from these traitors but the German people? It is now Germans help yourself and God will help."

Although Emperor William is not named in the article, the expression, "Germany's hangman," is meant for the kaiser, says the correspondent.

Amsterdam, Jan. 29.—A Berlin dispatch to the Weser Zeitung says that the government desired a vote of confidence by the reichstag, but at a joint meeting of the various parties on Friday the proposal was wrecked by socialist opposition.

RUPTURE BETWEEN SLAV AND RUMANIA

Petrograd, Jan. 29.—The government commissioners announce that diplomatic relations with Rumania have been broken.

The Rumanian legation and all the Rumanian representatives here will be sent out of the country by the shortest route.

Lieutenant-General Dmitri Grigorovitch Stecherbatheff, commander of the Russian forces in Rumania, has been outlawed as an enemy of the people.

General Stecherbatheff for some time has been out of the good graces of the Bolsheviki. Recent dispatches said that the attempt by the Bolsheviki to arrest the Rumanian royal family was frustrated by him.

EMMA GOLDMAN AND HER PAL MUST GO TO PEN

Washington, Jan. 29.—The supreme court, by declining to grant a re-hearing of their case and ordering the mandate issued at once, refused to delay the further carrying out of the sentences of Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman, convicted of conspiring to violate the draft law. The court sustained their convictions on January 14.

PEOPLE MAROONED ON FLOATING ICE

Paducah, Jan. 29.—A fleet of packets and other craft have been swept from their moorings on the Ohio river by floating ice gorges and persons marooned on the craft were calling for help as they passed this city.