

ENEMY ALIEN PROPERTY IS TO BE TAKEN

VAST SUMS INVESTED IN ALIEN ENEMY PROPERTIES WILL BE SEIZED BY U. S.

CONGRESS TO GIVE AUTHORITY

Hamburg-American and North German Lloyd Steamship Companies Will Be Listed for Action

New York, Mar. 5.—Property in business concerns partly or wholly owned by German residents, involving millions of dollars, will be placed on sale privately. Among such properties taken over are those belonging to Countess Czecheny, formerly Gladys Vanderbilt, amounting to \$9,000,000.

Washington, Mar. 5.—The president intends to take over legal title to the Hamburg-American and North German Lloyd steamship company's wharves and docks at Hoboken, and has arranged for an amendment to a bill, giving him the authority.

NARVA IN RUSSIA CAPTURED BY HUNS

London, Mar. 5.—Narva, 100 miles southwest of Petrograd, has been captured by the Germans, who are continuing to advance on Petrograd, according to a dispatch just received.

NORWEGIAN SHIPPING LOSSES VERY HEAVY

London, Mar. 5.—From the outbreak of the war up to the end of February, the losses of Norwegian vessels as a result of the war aggregated 726 of 1,969,000 tons. Steamers to the number of 902 perished in the disasters. In addition 53 vessels with crews totalling more than 700 are missing, and of these two-thirds are believed to be war losses.

These figures were made public by the Norwegian legation in London.

TRANSFERS AT CAMP LEWIS TO BE REDUCED

Camp Lewis, Tacoma, Mar. 5.—Officers at Camp Lewis who desire to be transferred to another branch of the service must show hereafter that the requested transfer is clearly to the interest of the government. An order to this effect was issued at division headquarters today on divisions from adjutant-general's office at Washington. All requests for transfers in the future will be disapproved, the order says, unless it is clearly in the interest of the government to make the change.

MAINE ELECTIONS ARE IN FAVOR OF REPUBLICANS

Portland, Maine, Mar. 5.—Republican mayors were elected in seven of the nine cities which voted in this state today. Waterville and Bath which were democratic last year went republican.

INDUSTRIES BOARD HAS NEW CHAIRMAN

Washington, Mar. 5.—The president has appointed Bernard M. Baruch, of New York, chairman of the war industries board and announces a re-organization of the board. It is calculated to meet the demand in congress for greater co-ordination.

WAR OF NATIONS NOT OF CLASSES

110,000 Belgian Workmen, Unable to Express Views in Belgium, Do So Through Representatives

Havre, Mar. 5.—One hundred and ten thousand Belgian workmen, members of the Free Christian Labor Union of Belgium, unable to express their views in Belgium, do so through their exiled representatives who met here last week. Participating in the meeting also were the president of the International Christian Union, H. Heyman, France; the vice-president, E. VanQuebeke, Holland, and secretary, J. Roscam, England.

Resolutions were adopted declaring the present war to be a war of nations, rather than a war of classes, and protesting against the assumption of diplomatic roles by socialist groups and against any steps or resolutions calculated to trouble the minds of the Belgian workmen and also reproving any idea of contact with labor organizations in enemy countries.

The resolutions declare that mediation by a neutral power, when the occasion arises, would be preferable to any initiative taken by unqualified persons.

GENERAL PERSHING SENDS CASUALTY LIST TO U. S.

Washington, Mar. 5.—General Pershing reported to the war department the names of one lieutenant and nine privates and the names of a captain, a lieutenant and 11 men and 11 men severely wounded and 19 men slightly wounded, all on March 1, the day of a German assault on American trench sector. The name of a lieutenant and four men killed the same day previously had been reported.

SINKING SUBMARINES AS FAST AS BUILT

London, Mar. 5.—Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty, said today that despite the efforts of the United States, considerable time must elapse before the ship output is as big as desired.

He said a force of Brazilian warships will augment allied ships in European waters. For some months we believe we and Americans have been sinking submarines as fast as they have been built.

SIZE OF PARCEL POST PACKAGES INCREASED

Portland, Mar. 5.—Effective March 15, the weight of parcel post packages in the first and second zones has been increased from 50 to 70 pounds and to all other zones from 20 to 50 pounds. The dimensions permitted remain the same, 84 in. in length and girth combined. Orders to the above effect were received by Postmaster F. S. Myers from the postmaster general.

CITIZENS OF HEAVEN CAUGHT WITH GOODS

Coeur d'Alene, Ida., Mar. 5.—Fred Miller, who said he came here from Spokane and was a member of the International Bible Students' association, today was ordered by the county council of defense to turn over to the sheriff within 24 hours, all books and literature of the association in his possession.

Members of the council, who examined Miller and W. J. Baxter, a merchant of this city, also declared to be a member of the association, this afternoon, declared they found the books being circulated here by Miller to be of an unpatriotic nature.

Hereafter no foreign language may be used in any public meeting in the county, the local council ruled.

UNITED STATES AGREES TO ACT WITH JAPANESE

Japan Will Act for Allies in Eastern Siberia, in Protecting Accumulated Stores of War and Other Materials, and in Opposing German Propaganda

Washington, Mar. 5.—As the cabinet met with the president today, it became known that the United States is now in agreement with Japan and the other allies, on a principle of action in Siberia, but details remain to be worked out.

Amsterdam, Mar. 5.—Reports just received indicate that Japan will soon act to protect allied interests in eastern Siberia. Allied ambassadors will ask the Japanese government to oppose German propaganda and protect stores.

Turkish-German agents on the Chinese frontier of eastern Turkestan, are attempting to arouse the Mohammedans against the Chinese government.

Berlin announces that Rumania has accepted the German armistice conditions.

London, Mar. 5.—The Evening News says the question of Japanese intervention in Siberia has been settled and all of the allies, including the United States, have agreed to immediate action, to safeguard interests of the powers.

Washington, Mar. 5.—Military action by Japan in eastern Siberia to check German influence and protect war stores at Vladivostok is believed here to be imminent. The United States has not yet expressed its views on the proposed step, but it was said in diplomatic quarters that the Japanese probably would move quickly to meet emergency conditions leaving to the pending diplomatic exchanges development of an understanding with America and all the allies upon scope and purpose of the enterprise.

While it has no direct bearing upon the situation in Asiatic Russia, the news which came yesterday to the Swedish legation that Germany has given notice of her intention to occupy the whole of Finland will tend to hasten an agreement upon Japan's plans.

PEACE DECISION NOW DEPENDS ON WILSON

Amsterdam, Mar. 5.—The Frankfurter Zeitung, commenting upon the recent speech of A. J. Balfour, the British foreign secretary, says:

"The decision as to whether the war, with all its horrors, shall continue to preliminary discussions regarding the possibility of peace, shall begin, depends today more on President Wilson than on the governments of the entente allies."

The newspaper finds some parts of Mr. Balfour's speech deserving of consideration and regards its moderate tone as a welcome sign. It contends that the demand for the evacuation of Belgium and reparation in the case of that country should only be acceded to if the entente is able to force Germany out of Belgium.

"Mr. Balfour ought to know," it adds, "that the maximum concessions of both sides can only be reached by negotiations."

HUNS CELEBRATE RETURN OF PEACE

Amsterdam, Mar. 5.—The empress greets the advent of peace with Russia as a master-stroke. The German emperor's telegram to Chancellor von Hertling is placarded throughout Berlin.

Flags are flying everywhere and the schools have a holiday today.

The Leipzig Neueste Nachrichten's Berlin correspondent says that negotiations with Serbia and Montenegro are a matter of a few weeks, as both, like Rumania, are out of the war, and must sign peace.

ALLIES FAVOR JAP CAMPAIGN IN SIBERIA

London, Mar. 5.—The British French and Italian ambassadors in Tokio intended yesterday or today jointly to ask Japan to take the necessary steps to safeguard allied interests in Siberia, according to the Daily Mail.

The newspaper adds that the American ambassador was not expected to join in the request but that no disturbing conclusions are to be drawn from this fact as no American opposition is expected.

GERMANY MUST DRIVE OR WILL BE DRIVEN

London, Mar. 5.—Winston Spencer Churchill, speaking at the Mansion house today at a meeting of the Anglo-French society in celebration of the anniversary of Verdun, said:

"In a few weeks, perhaps a few days, the Germans must either attack on the west front or expose the fact that they are incompetent to deliver a great offensive. In the rush before this impending event it is pleasant to reflect that our army is stronger and better equipped than ever before and that the German attack will be received with the most devastating blast of artillery fire in the history of the world."

Mr. Churchill, speaking with reference to a league of nations said:

"It is important that the league should be founded on the basis of truth and sincerity. There can be no room in the league for a Kaiser-ridden Germany."

KAISER'S MESSAGE ON RUSSIAN PEACE

London, Mar. 5.—Emperor William, according to official announcement, made today, on the conclusion of peace made between Germany and Russia, sent a telegram to Count von Hertling, German imperial chancellor, reading as follows:

"The German sword, wielded by great army leaders, has brought peace with Russia. With deep gratitude to God, who has been with us, I am filled with proud joy and the deeds of my army and the tenacious perseverance of my people. It is of especial satisfaction to me that German blood and German kultur have been saved. Accept my warmest thanks for your faithful and strong co-operation in the great work."

GERMAN ATTACK ON TRENCHES REPULSED

Paris, Mar. 5.—A German attack on trenches held by Americans in Lorraine has been repulsed and American patrols in the same region took a number of prisoners.

TRAIN WRECKER IS SENTENCED

Phillip Solem, who tried to Wreck an O. W. R. & N. Train, Gets From Five to 10 years in Pen

Hood River, Mar. 5.—Phillip Solem, who pleaded guilty to placing a great spike on the railroad track near Lindsay creek last Friday, in an attempt to wreck a train on the O. W. R. & N., has been sentenced to from five to ten years in the penitentiary. Elmer Misner, 16 years of age, who is alleged to have helped him, will be tried by the juvenile court judge.

CONTROL OF CONGRESS AT STAKE IN N. Y. ELECTION

Washington, Mar. 5.—The actual democratic majority in the house, in the face of the present republican majority of one, hinges on the election in New York today, to fill four vacancies in congress.

Six vacancies, considered with the fact that six representatives are independent in their affiliations, have thrown the technical majority to the republicans.

RUMANIA IS FORCED TO MAKE HUN PEACE

Washington, Mar. 5.—The state department is advised that Count Czernin told the Rumanian premier that unless Rumania yielded she would be crushed, but if she ceded Dobruja and agreed to rectify her boundaries she might preserve her integrity and present ruling dynasty.

\$450,000,000 MORE FOR BUILDING OF AIRPLANES

Washington, Mar. 5.—Further appropriations of \$450,000,000 for the army aircraft program in addition to the \$640,000,000 already authorized, was asked of congress today by the war department.

BOOTLEGGING RING IS HELD AS GUILTY

San Francisco, Mar. 5.—Logan and Fred Billingsley, accused of forming a bootlegging ring, to ship liquor into Seattle, were today denied permission by the United States circuit court of appeals, to change their pleas from guilty to not guilty.

CHINA IS ALARMED AS INVASION IS IMMINENT

Peking, Wednesday, Feb. 27.—The governor of the province of Sin Kiang, western China, from which have come reports that Turks and Germans are stirring up Mohammedans, telegraphs that the Russians are massing in the frontier, evidently intending an invasion of Sin Kiang. The telegram adds that the people are panic stricken and asks that rifles and ammunition be sent to the governor.

MASS MEETINGS HELD IN BEHALF OF MOONEY

New York, Mar. 5.—An effort has been started to unite labor unions in behalf of Mooney, for which purpose mass meetings are being held.

AMEDEE SMITH REAPPOINTED ON WELFARE COMMISSION

Salem, Mar. 5.—The governor has re-appointed Amedee Smith, of Portland, as a member of the industrial welfare commission, to serve three years.

CONVENTIONS PLANNING FOR ACTIVE WORK

DEMAND IMMEDIATE NATION-WIDE PROHIBITION AS A WAR MEASURE

NATIONALIST-PROHIBITIONIST

Nationalist Party Consists of Prohibitionists, Progressives, Socialists and Single Taxers

Chicago, Mar. 5.—National conventions of the national and prohibition parties met here today to formulate policies for campaigns during the year.

The national party, organized last October by representatives of prohibitionists, progressives, loyal socialists and single taxers of both parties, for national prohibition, woman suffrage and public ownership of public utilities.

Virgil Hinshaw, chairman of the prohibition national committee, in an address demanded immediate nationwide prohibition as a war measure, and suggested they get the help of churches, labor organizations, farmers and manufacturers.

BELGIAN DOCTORS DEVOTED TO DUTY

Paris, Feb. 7.—(Correspondence).—An eye-witness of the events has supplied the Associated Press with the following story of the devoted courage shown by two Belgian army doctors:

German shells had just demolished a dug-out near Caeskerke, (facing Dixmude) and a block of concrete had fallen on a Belgian soldier crushing both his legs. It was impossible to remove the block so that the only hope of saving the man's life was to operate on the spot.

A surgeon was summoned by telephone and Dr. Titx hurried to the scene accompanied by an army nurse. The regimental doctor, Bastin, with an orderly followed. The two doctors hurried through the communication trenches under a heavy bombardment. A fragment from an aerial torpedo struck Dr. Bastin, killing him instantly. Dr. Titx could only assure himself that he could do nothing for his companion, and hurried on. Under incessant shell-fire, he amputated both legs of the soldier and saw him carried through the communication trenches, still under shell fire, to the rear where there is every reason to hope that his life will be saved.

DATE OF NEXT DRAFT WILL SOON BE GIVEN

Washington, Mar. 5.—Announcement of the date of the next draft is imminent. It is believed the men will move to camp in April.

WIRELESS STATION IS FOUND ON WALL STREET

New York, Mar. 5.—It was made known by federal officials today that a powerful wireless outfit on the top floor of a building in the Wall street district has been seized. The officials declined to divulge its exact location or the names of the persons responsible for its being there.

It was so constructed that aerial wires were not necessary. The apparatus was described as powerful enough to communicate with Germany and its seizure as "very important."