

SLAV SOVIETS ACCEPT PEACE AT ANY PRICE

BY VOTE OF 453 AGAINST 30 THE ALL-RUSSIAN CONGRESS ACCEPT OFFER

DREAD PEACE MADE IN GERMANY

Representatives of All Professional Unions Resign From Bolshevik Immediately After Vote

Petrograd, Mar. 15.—The All-Russian congress of Soviets at Moscow yesterday by a vote of 453 to 30, decided to ratify the peace treaty with the central powers. Representatives of all professional unions resigned from the Bolsheviks, following the vote.

Washington, Mar. 15.—Acceptance of peace terms by Russia clears the way for announcing the allied intentions regarding Japanese in Siberia. The allies do not fear a German advance into Siberia, but they might have valuable supplies shipped to them.

London, Mar. 15.—Russian dispatches seem to indicate that only Bolshevik delegates to the soviet are represented in the vote, which may have been a majority caucus. However, in view of the Bolshevik strength, it is impossible that their decision could be reversed by other factions.

Washington, Mar. 15.—Japan's avowal of her intention to intervene in Siberia and the announcement of the courses to be taken by the United States and other governments aligned against the central powers, are expected to follow closely upon the adjournment of the Russian congress of soviets, called to meet at Moscow.

Official Washington and diplomats here still retain faint hope that the warring factions of Russia may yet reject the German peace terms signed at Brest-Litovsk, but almost all information that has reached here indicates that the fighting spirit of the disorganized people is too wounded to resist.

The state department was still without official knowledge that the president's message of sympathy and promise of aid addressed to the Russian people through the congress had reached Moscow, but that it had been taken for granted.

ADMINISTRATION TO WORK WITH CONGRESS

Washington, Mar. 15.—The administration formally embarked today on a policy of taking congress completely into its confidence, as to the progress of war preparations and developments on the fighting front in Europe. At the invitation of Acting Secretary of War Crowell, members of the senate military committee were in session at the war department for nearly two hours with the full membership of the war council, and beginning next week will meet with that body every Saturday morning.

Members of the house committee will meet with the council tomorrow and a similar arrangement for weekly meetings will be made with that committee.

Probably a large room will be obtained later so that the committee of both houses may be required in joint session.

With the Lafayette Squadron in France, Mar. 15.—Paul F. Barr, of Fort Wayne, Ind., downed a German airplane on Monday.

VON HINDENBURG'S OFFENSIVE BLUFF

Great German Offensive Must Now Go On, As the Allies Have Offended the War Lord's Vanity

Amsterdam, Mar. 15.—According to news received here, Field Marshal von Hindenburg stated in a Berlin interview that the entente had shown an unresponsive attitude toward Germany's peace intention and the great German offensive must therefore go on. Associated Press correspondents recently were told in well informed neutral quarters, that the Germans are prepared to lose 30,000 men in the offensive.

SENATOR McNARY TOO BUSY TO COME TO OREGON

Salem, Mar. 15.—United States Senator McNary will be unable to return from Washington to attend the funeral of Mrs. McNary's mother, Mrs. M. E. Breyman of Salem. He has informed relatives here that his duties at Washington make it impossible for him to leave at this time.

COMPANY CAN BUILD 54 CONCRETE SHIPS IN 18 MONTHS

San Francisco, Mar. 15.—The company which launched the concrete ship yesterday, can construct 54 more within 18 months. Trials in the open sea will determine their value.

EXPORTERS COMBINE FOR AFTER THE WAR

London, Feb. 2.—(By mail.)—An "Exporters Combine" with 1,000 members and funds of nearly a million dollars a year has been proposed by big British commercial houses as an after-the-war measure. Sir Charles Mandelberg, head of the organizing committee, explained the scheme, saying:

"To enable British manufacturers to compete successfully in the open markets of the world, and to provide for the increase in wages on pre-war rates, the output of manufacturers for export must show a very large increase on pre-war standards. We cannot hope to pay the increased taxation out of the profits of the home trade.

"The additional plant called into being by war requirements is here, ready to be adapted to peace-time needs. New markets must be found, and the intensive cultivation of existing markets will be necessary. The clue to what is wanted is the experience of firms which have been able to place their own offices in foreign markets. We propose that every firm shall have such offices collectively and the men in charge will be the best that can be found. They will have behind them the prestige of the most influential and powerful association of exporters in the world.

PRESIDENT WILL NOT PRESCRIBE REGULATIONS

Washington, Mar. 15.—The senate military committee has struck out provisions in the administration timber requisitioning bill, to authorize the president to prescribe regulations for timbering operations. Lumber interests have bitterly opposed such provisions.

LORD CECIL DENIES RUMOR OF HUN DEAL

London, Mar. 15.—Replying to an inquiry as to whether or not there was any truth in rumors that proposals had been received from Germany for peace at the expense of Russia, Lord Cecil told the house of commons that no such proposals had been considered.

AMERICANS IN HUN TERRITORY SEEKING HUNS

GERMANS DRIVEN OUT OF POSITIONS, WHICH ARE NOW HELD BY YANKEES

IS FIRST PERMANENT ADVANCE

Consolidation of Gains Enables Americans and French to Operate From Higher Ground

With the American Army in France, Mar. 15.—American troops in the Lunville sector have occupied and are holding enemy trenches northeast of Badonvillers which they forced the Germans to abandon through recent raids and concentrated artillery fire.

This though a small forward movement, marks the first permanent advance by the American army in France. The consolidation of the trenches enables the Americans and French to operate from higher ground than heretofore. The Germans made only feeble attempts to retake the position, but each time were repulsed.

15,000,000 SUBSCRIBERS WANTED FOR NEXT LOAN

Washington, Mar. 15.—Preparations are being made to get 15,000,000 subscribers to the third Liberty loan. There were 11,000,000 subscribers to the second loan.

THIRTY-SIX I. W. W. ARE INDICTED IN KANSAS

Wichita, Kan., Mar. 15.—Indictments have been returned by the federal grand jury against 36 industrial workers of the world. All but one are now under arrest and some have been already interned.

HUNS ARE SEEKING ARMENIAN MASSACRE

Boston, Mar. 15.—More than 3,000,000 Christian Armenians, Gregorgians and others, among whom are 17 American missionaries, are in immediate peril of being massacred by the Turks and Tartars in northeastern Turkey and Trans-Caucasia.

This information was contained in a private cable to the American board of missions here and was announced through the Congregationalists today.

The advices, which came from agents of the board now in the line of the Teuton drive in the east, said the Turks and Tartars under German direction are being incited to wipe out the Christians.

"The details of the Teuton plans would strike terror to the civilized world," according to the report.

An international authority, whose names, for diplomatic reasons, cannot be given, said Germany would welcome a declaration of war on Turkey by the United States.

It was pointed out that, despite beliefs to the contrary, the majority of the Turks are not friendly to Germany. In this connection, it was shown that a declaration of war by the United States on Turkey would give Germany the excuse she desires to solidify Turkish opinion against the allies.

Germany is making every effort, and with tangible results, to incite the Tartars and Turks to unite in an attack on the Armenians and Gregorgians, for the reason that Germany wishes to eliminate the Armenian and Gregorgians from the political issues of the Trans-Caucasus and to establish a line of communication through to the Persian gulf.

DUTCH SHIPS TO BE TAKEN ON MARCH 18

MILLION TONS OF HOLLAND'S SHIPPING TO BE TAKEN OVER BY ENTENTE

MORE FOOD FOR OUR ALLIES NOW

Possession Will Be Taken Under International Law, Which Germany Herself Has Exercised

Washington, Mar. 15.—A million tons of Dutch ships, now held in ports the world over, through Holland's fear of Germany's threat to sink them if they ventured out, will be brought into the service of the United States and Great Britain on March 18.

Unless The Netherlands government braves the menace of Germany's pressure and voluntarily accepts an agreement under which the ships would be put in trade, the United States and Great Britain will take them over under international law, availing themselves of a sovereign right which Germany herself has hitherto exercised under the same authority.

Formal notice has been presented to The Hague by the American and British diplomatic representatives of the allied governments' intention. As a result, today, the Netherlands minister, August Phillips, acting under instructions of his government, made a final personal appeal to President Wilson to at least modify the decision.

The Associated Press is unable to say that the president saw no reason for altering the decision and that unless the ships are turned over by next Monday a presidential proclamation will be issued taking over the ships in American ports of which there are about 80. Many more, however, are in British or other allied ports.

UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO SINK HOSPITAL SHIP

London, Mar. 15.—A German submarine made an unsuccessful attack upon the British hospital ship Gullford Castle in Bristol channel on March 10, the admiralty announced today.

DAYLIGHT SAVING BILL WILL PROBABLY PASS

Washington, Mar. 15.—Early passage of the daylight saving bill was assured Wednesday. Chairman Poy of the house rules committee, announced on the floor that unless unanimous consent was given to consider it immediately a special rule would be brought in.

"The daylight saving idea," said Representative Moore of Philadelphia, in a speech Wednesday afternoon, "originated in the mind of no less a philosopher than Benjamin Franklin. It has attracted the attention of every thinker who considered how more work could be done under better conditions."

Moore said that 1,000,000 tons of coal would be saved annually.

AUSTRIAN STRIKE IS REPORTED "ON"

Copenhagen, Mar. 15.—Men in workshops of the Austrian railways have struck and refused to obey orders of the military to return to work, according to Berlin newspapers the strike is spreading to other factories.

CASUALTY LIST OVER HUNDRED

Names of Men Killed or Wounded Will Not Be Available Until Later. Six Lieutenants in Number

Washington, Mar. 15.—General Pershing's casualty list today is longer than at any previous time, and may not be available until tonight. No intimation is given as to what the long list indicates.

Portland, Mar. 15.—Late dispatch—General Pershing's casualty list today will be over 100, including six lieutenants. Most of the men are but slightly wounded.

HUN REPORTS ON ALLIED AIR LOSSES

Berlin, Mar. 15.—Three machines of one entente air squadron, flying toward the city of Frieberg, were brought down, army headquarters announced today. On the Franco-Belgian front yesterday, the statement adds, 17 enemy airplanes were brought to earth, also three captive balloons.

CASTLE ROCK, WASH. IS 100 PER CT. LOYAL

Castle Rock, Wash., Mar. 15.—Every person in Castle Rock, who was physically fit to get out of doors saluted the American flag today.

The demonstration was arranged by a committee of citizens, following reports that some residents of the town were disloyal. The mayor issued a proclamation calling upon all residents to appear on the streets at 2 p. m. and give evidence of their patriotism. The stores were closed. The schools were dismissed and the pupils joined in the demonstration. The mayor led the parade, followed by a band playing patriotic music. Nobody declined to salute the flag.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC IS AGAIN SHORT OF CARS

Salem, Mar. 15.—The Southern Pacific railroad company is again showing a daily car shortage on its Oregon lines. The total shortage today, according to the report to the public service commission, was 429, a shortage of 247 closed and 182 open cars.

VON LUDENDORFF SAYS HUNS HAVE SUPERIORITY

Amsterdam, Mar. 15.—General von Ludendorff has declared in an interview that Germany is now stronger than her enemies, in men, materials, air forces and tanks.

STARVATION WILL BE ANOTHER HUN WEAPON

Washington, Mar. 15.—Germany's latest campaign of ruthlessness against neutral shipping is attributed by the war trade board, in a statement tonight, to a deliberate plan for cutting off the north European nations from American and allied food supplies and thereby reducing them through starvation to a political and economic dependence upon the Teutonic war lords.

While the board makes no reference to the determination of the United States and England to take over Dutch ships in American and allied ports, unless The Netherlands government accepts a pending economic agreement, its statement throws interesting light upon the situation which led to this decision.

The hope is expressed that neutrals would contrast the respective attitudes of the United States and Germany toward the problem of feeding them.

I.W.W. MOB IN IDAHO KNOCKS SHERIFF DOWN

INDUSTRIAL WORKERS OF THE WORLD CREATE SERIOUS DISTURBANCE

ARE RANK ENEMIES OF ALL LAW

Rioters Promptly Surrounded by Citizens, Forced to Surrender and Placed Under Heavy Guard

St. Maris, Ida., Mar. 15.—A mob of I. W. W. estimated at 200, attacked and knocked down Sheriff Noland, after learning that the prosecution had obtained a change of venue in the trial of W. M. Nelson, an I. W. W. charged with criminal syndicalism, and threatened to storm the jail. Citizens surrounded them, forced them to surrender, and placed the mob under guard. Some pistols were found.

TWO WOMEN KILLED IN RAILROAD ACCIDENT

Harrisburg, Penn., Mar. 15.—Two women were killed and 15 other passengers injured, when boulders rolled on a car while passing through a cut on the Pennsylvania railroad near Elizabethtown. Two sleeping cars were wrecked.

ANOTHER STUDENT AVIATOR KILLED WHILE TRAINING

Washington, Mar. 15.—Roger Constant Perkins, a Vernon naval station aviation student, was killed today in a fall.

RUSSIAN SAILORS ARE UNDER ARREST

Norfolk, Va., Mar. 15.—Warrants charging 43 members of the crew of the Russian steamer Omsk with violations of the espionage act were issued last night by federal authorities as the result of an examination of documents seized with firearms and combustibles when government agents, reached the ship. The men already were in jail as the result of their efforts last night to seize the vessel after they had been paid off and paroled. Collector of Customs Hamilton said translations of the seized writings developed that certain members of the crew probably "are not bonafide seamen, but rather highly intellectual parties to a political plot to ferment the trouble which finally occurred on the Omsk, with an eventual effort planned to divert her valuable cargo to Russia." The cargo is consigned to a British port.

The warrants against the men specifically charge interference with foreign relations and neutrality, failure to comply with port regulations by interfering with a naval guard placed on the ship by Collector Hamilton and plotting to seize a neutral vessel.

Federal investigators said that some members of the crew confessed that they had planned, in the event of the refusal of the captain to grant the wage increases asked, to seize the ship at sea, operate it through a Bolshevik committee and make some Russian port.

SOVIETS AND NATIVES SAID TO BE FIGHTING

London, Mar. 15.—Field battles between soviet adherents and natives have occurred in Turkestan. According to a dispatch there were over 20,000 casualties.