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40,000 PRISONERS, 700 GUNS CAPTURED BY ENTENTE

FAR REACHING SPY SYSTEM IS DISCLOSED

ANARCHIST, I. W. W. AND RADICALS WELDED IN ANTI-WAR PROPAGANDA MACHINE

PLANS FINANCED BY HUN FUNDS

Detectives Seize Great Supplies of Literature—Many Are Arrested Others Under Surveillance

Chicago, Aug. 12.—Positive evidence that the far-reaching German spy system has gathered to itself anarchist, I. W. W. and other international radical organizations in America and has welded them into one great anti-war propaganda machine is declared to be in the hands of the federal government.

Disclosures that federal agents, in conjunction with the Chicago police, have unearthed at least three different angles of anarchistic activity, each apparently having a close connection with German agents, and believed to be largely financed with German funds, came today with the announcement that the plant of an anarchist newspaper at 818 South Morgan street had been raided and Frank and Nicholas Cornavallis, brothers of the late Dan Wallace's group of conscientious objectors, arrested.

Detectives who conducted the raid and made the arrests are said to have seized a big supply of literature and important correspondence which sheds further light upon the personnel of the men who are guiding the alien enemy propaganda work, and indicates new lines of its ramifications.

It was learned that at least a dozen other persons who have been arrested, and whose records are being investigated by immigration agents, with a view to deportation, are accused of being actively engaged in one or more of the German anarchistic propaganda branches, which include:

- The Anarchist Red Cross.
 - The Milwaukee Defense League.
 - The International Propaganda Group of Anarchists.
- It was stated that besides the men and women who have been arrested and questioned by the federal authorities at least 25 other persons in Chicago are now under the close surveillance of government agents.

ARTILLERY DRIVES GERMANS FROM CAVE

With the American Army on the Vesle, Aug. 12.—Allied aviators have reported that the Germans are digging in opposite the Franco-American line along the Vesle, and are stringing barbed wire along the hills northwest of Fismes. It was learned from German prisoners that an old quarry near Longueval, large enough to conceal two regiments, was being used as a refuge for troops at rest.

The Franco-American heavy artillery shelled the cave all day Saturday and the Germans were finally compelled to abandon it.

Paris, Aug. 12.—A dispatch received here from Stockholm says that as a result of the efforts of Sweden's representatives in Moscow, the British and French consuls who were recently arrested by order of the Bolsheviks, have been released.

STEAMERS SUNK OFF ATLANTIC

British and Swedish Vessels Are Victims of U-Boats—Nine Fishing Schooners Torpedoed

Washington, Aug. 12.—The destruction of the British steamer Penistone and the Swedish steamer Sydland, by a German submarine off the New England coast is reported today by the navy department.

Nantucket, Mass., Aug. 12.—Nine fishing schooners were sunk off George's Bank today by a German submarine, a naval scout boat which put in here tonight reported.

The scout boat picked up word of the raid from the auxiliary fishing schooner Helen Murley, which had rescued four survivors and was taking them to port.

George's Banks are 60 miles off this island.

ANNA HELD REPORTED TO BE NEAR DEATH

New York, Aug. 12.—Anna Held, the well known actress is reported to be very low this afternoon.

Washington, Aug. 12.—American war workers after September 1 will wear disc-shaped badges slightly larger than a quarter with a red, white and blue enameled bar attached. The department of labor announced today that the design for the war industries badge had been completed by Jo Davidson, of New York, and that the first of the medals would be ready for award on time.

BIG RESCUE SHIP IS PLACED AS TRADE VESSEL

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 12.—The steamer Salvor, of the British Columbia Salvage Company, the most famous of all salvage vessels on the Pacific Coast, has been sold to Powell Davis, of Montreal, and will be placed in the Vancouver-Australian trade in the course of the next few weeks.

Amsterdam, Aug. 12.—The hands of all public town clocks in Königsberg, Germany, have been removed, with the single exception of the clock at City Hall place. The lone clock was spared in order to give the people a chance to regulate their watches.

ALLIES PUSH THROUGH RESISTING BOCHE LINE

Cities of Bray and Gury Captured by French and British --Roye Reported to Have Been Evacuated--Mighty Efforts Made by Enemy to Check Advance

Paris, Aug. 12.—Nearly 40,000 prisoners and 700 guns have been taken by the allies in Picardy. Extremely bitter resistance is being encountered along the Chaumes-Roye-Noyon line. The enemy is bringing up strong reinforcements, while the allies are preparing for further advances.

London, Aug. 12.—The French have captured the town of Leschelle St. Auris, three miles west of Roye. The advance continues between the Avre and the Oise rivers. The British have captured the western edge of the town of Bray on the Somme. The towns of Albert and Roye seemed to be held by the enemy today and Roye has not fallen.

London, Aug. 12.—American troops are in the suburbs of Bray today. The fighting is a continuous battle for the outskirts of the little French city. A ding-dong battle is raging all up and down the northern section of the fighting front today.

London, Aug. 12.—Allied forces have captured the town of Gury on the right flank of the Somme battle front, according to advices received this morning.

London, Aug. 11, Sunday.—On the Soissons-Rheims front the enemy is contesting every inch of ground with the Americans, who are fighting with superb heroism. The German retreat to the River Aisne is clearly imminent.

London, Aug. 11, Sunday.—Chaumes, the important railway town in the heart of the Somme battle front, and the key to the southern line of the German salient has been captured by the allies. The capture was effected by Australian and Canadian troops.

London, Aug. 11, Sunday.—Further progress was made last night by the British on the left flank of the battle front north of the Somme.

Paris, Aug. 11.—The number of prisoners taken so far in the allied offensive in the Picardy sector is 36,000, including more than 1,000 officers.

On the French Front, Aug. 12.—The French troops have pushed farther east of Montdidier, taking many prisoners and guns. The German retreat is disorderly.

Paris, Aug. 12.—All bridges over the Somme between Peronne and Ham have been destroyed by French aviators. The Germans are trying to establish temporary bridges, which are systematically bombed by allied aviators.

Paris, Aug. 12.—Mighty efforts are being made by the Germans to check the allied advance through Picardy. At the northern end, the British have been unable to progress rapidly during the past night. On the right the French have gained ground steadily and have virtually cleared the Metz valley of the enemy.

The interest centers on the German efforts to stabilize the front along the line from Albert south of Chaumes and to check the French efforts to envelop the enemy position at Lassigny. The coming day or two will probably be marked by savage fighting, especially in the south, where continued progress of the French would weaken the whole German position.

SENATE TO CONSIDER AGE LIMIT QUESTION

Washington, Aug. 12.—Steps were taken today to reconvene the senate immediately to take up the new draft bill. Senators are asked to be present next Thursday, when the bill will be presented. Consideration will begin next Monday.

U. S. FIELD ARMY IS ORGANIZED

General Pershing to Command the Troops Who Will Operate in the Marne Area

With the American Army, Aug. 12. The organization of the First American field army of five corps has been completed with General Pershing in command. They will operate in the area north of the Marne from which the Germans have been expelled.

FOUR THOUSAND CANADIANS TO BE SENT INTO SIBERIA

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—Canada will be represented by a military unit of approximately 4,000 men in the expeditionary force which the allied governments will send to Siberia.

This was announced here today by the Dominion government, which promised a more detailed statement within a short time.

EMPLOYEES OF WESTERN UNION HAVE RAISE

New York, Aug. 12.—A general increase of 10 per cent for all western Union employees belonging to the association recently organized by the company, was announced today. It is retroactive from July 1, 1918.

GERMANS LOSE HOPE IN SUBMARINE POWER

London, Aug. 12.—Germany's unrestricted U-boat warfare can neither keep the army of the United States from taking part in battles on the fields of France nor break the will of the allies to continue the war, if the admission made by the Munich Post, a copy of which has been received here, is to be believed. In a review of the situation at the beginning of the fifth year of the war, the Post says:

"Eighteen months of unrestricted submarine warfare could not break the enemy's will to war nor prevent America's putting a well-equipped army of a million men on the western front. Hopes that after the conclusion of peace in the east the final struggle in the west would be decided in favor of Germany and bring a general peace have proven deceptive and the eastern peace itself is a disappointment."

The Post takes exception to the word "unfavorable" in describing the food situation in Germany and says "chronic famine" would be nearer the truth.

FRENCH EX. MINISTER GOES INTO EXILE

Paris, Aug. 12.—Louis J. Malvy, exiled former minister of the interior left Paris last night for Irun, a town in Spain, near the French frontier. Before his departure he addressed a letter to President Deschanel of the chamber of deputies protesting against the judgment of the higher court.

He obeys the order of banishment, he says, at this grave hour, when the future of the country is at stake, to save the nation from being distracted by an agitation in his behalf. He calls upon all those who are with him in heart to give the best of themselves to the country's defense, for "the victory of France must remain first in our thoughts."

PREMIER FROM RUSSIA FLEES TO KRONSTADT

BOLSHEVIKI IN SERIOUS SITUATION — GERMAN AMBASSADOR MOVES TO SAFETY

CZECH FORCES NO. 300,000

Japanese Advance Troops Reach Slovaks—Serbians and Cossacks Fight Against Germans

London, Aug. 12.—Premier Lenin and his chief assistant, Leon Trotsky, have fled to Kronstadt, according to the semi-official Wolf Bureau of Berlin, says the Havas report from Paris today.

Amsterdam, Aug. 12.—The position of the Soviet government in Russia is considered to be a very serious one by a Moscow correspondent. The Tageblatt announces that the Czecho-Slovak's force now numbers 300,000 and are being reinforced by the Serbians and the Cossacks.

Amsterdam, Aug. 12.—The Bolshevik government will soon leave Moscow for Kronstadt, the Berlin Local Anzeiger states today.

The Hague, Aug. 12.—Japanese advance troops are in touch with Czecho-Slovaks, says a Moscow dispatch to the Weser Zeitung Bremen.

London, Aug. 12.—The anti-Bolshevik movement in Russia is growing rapidly. The Bolshevik soviet organization has virtually gone to pieces and Nikolai Lenin, the premier, and Leon Trotsky, his war minister, intend to flee to Germany should the situation become too serious, according to recent Russian newspapers, the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen telegraphs.

Copenhagen, Aug. 12.—The German embassy at Moscow will remove immediately to Pskov, owing to conditions in Moscow, according to advices from Berlin today.

GERMAN OFFICERS AMAZED AT TANKS

London, Aug. 12.—Beach Thomas in a dispatch to the Daily Mail describing the allies' attack, says:

"Abundant evidence is found at all centers of the amazing impudence and skill of tank crews. One large park of motor lorries coming up with supplies met the advancing tanks. Four mounted German officers, who could not believe their own eyes, rode forward to interrogate these poachers and were shot. The tanks then proceeded to deal with the transport, which began by upsetting itself in a vain effort to wheel and fly."

"In the direction of Peronne, far beyond our advanced posts, the cavalry and tanks captured part of a Red Cross train and burned another train meant for troops. In the same village—Framvillers—they charged down a street, shooting through the windows at officers sitting down to their meals."

"The alarm produced by this dash of tanks was such that soldiers and transports fled helter skelter back in the direction of Nestle."

"Miles further back bridges were seen to be jammed with troops and a state of general confusion such as exerted every energy of their staffs existed."

CHATEAU THIERRY, SCENE OF AMERICAN VICTORY



This is the railroad station of Chateau Thierry, the town on the Marne where the Americans gave the Boches a good beating and from which they expelled the enemy soon after the allied drive between the Marne and the Aisne began.