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Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments
and Pacific Northwest and Other
Things Worth Knowing.

Unfilled orders of the United States Steel Corporation on March 30 were 9,056,404 tons, according to the corporation's monthly statement. This is a decrease of 232,049 tons compared with the orders on February 28.

A mutiny occurred among the German troops at Beverloo camp, in Linburg, Prussia, before the time they were to start for the fighting line in France, according to the Amsterdam Telegraf. Three officers were shot and several others wounded.

The war industries board has issued a revised priority list under which industries will get coal and railway transportation. It precludes preferential treatment to any plant which does not have a substantial percentage of products of exceptional importance.

The Bolshevik government has asked Germany for permission to postpone the demobilization of the Russian army in consequence of the Japanese landing at Vladivostok, according to reports in circulation in Petrograd and forwarded by Reuter's correspondent.

The Butte, Mont., board of education voted to retain German as part of the high school course. The move is purely selfish, the board explained, being based on a belief that better competition can be offered German merchants after the war if Americans understand their language.

The sinking of British merchantmen by mines or submarines last week reached the next lowest level of any similar period since Germany began her intensive submarine campaign early in 1917. Four vessels of more than 1600 tons, two of less than 1600 tons and two fishing boats were sent to the bottom.

The sedition bill, prohibiting under penalties of 20 years' imprisonment and \$10,000 fine language or acts of disloyalty or obstruction of the army draft and liberty loans, passed the senate without a record vote. It now goes to conference between the house and senate and final enactment is expected soon.

The house of commons passed the second reading of the English government's manpower bill. The vote was 323 to 100. Most of the morning newspapers agree with the principles of Premier Lloyd George's manpower appeal. There is no quarrel with it, but several papers declare there is need for caution.

The first of the American fighting troops have arrived on the British front and have been greeted with intense enthusiasm. The overseas pioneers were a battalion of infantry which came swinging along the road into a certain sector after an all-night march that began on the anniversary of America's declaration of war.

Stabilizing of prices of domestic necessities, including cotton goods, woolen, manufactured clothing, shoes and hats, were discussed Friday by President Wilson and his war cabinet. It is understood that the president's counsellors believe that drastic action will have to be taken soon or the average citizen will find many of the things he needs out of reach.

Because of alleged pro-German utterances, William Prisse, 51 years old, a registered German, was thrown head first into a dough bin at a Salt Lake City bakery by two Americans, according to a story told the police by Prisse. The German added that while he was nearly smothered in dough the men fired several shots at his feet, but failed to strike them.

Thousands of cases of failure to file income tax returns have been uncovered by internal revenue agents and steps are being taken to compel filing of delinquent reports and payment of the proper penalties. Officials also have discovered that some companies and individuals reported incomes or excess profits too low and they will be forced to make supplemental reports.

YANKEES DEFEAT HUN

Kaiser's Picked Shock Units Cut to Pieces in Fierce Battle—Capture Prisoners and Kill Many.

With the American Army in France—Preceded by an intense bombardment of high explosives and poison-gas shells, picked troops from four German companies hurled themselves against the American positions, on the right bank of the Meuse, north of St. Mihiel, early Sunday morning, but were completely repulsed after terrific hand-to-hand fighting.

The Americans captured some prisoners. The German losses already counted are 34 dead and 10 wounded, who were in the American trenches, and 30 in No Man's Land. Several of the wounded enemy were taken back by their comrades to the German positions.

A concentrated artillery fire on the American position in the St. Mihiel sector began Saturday morning. It was resumed with increased vigor just before midnight and continued intermittently until nearly daybreak.

The Germans then laid down a barrage and leaped over the parapets and reached the American front-line trenches closely behind the barrage.

At this moment the American infantry burst from their shelters, attacking the enemy with grenades and bayonet.

The struggle continued back and forth for some time, but over most of the front involved the American troops were completely victorious, as was evident from the heavy toll of enemy dead and wounded.

At another point a large enemy force surrounded 25 Americans in front of their trenches. The Americans suddenly attacked and killed several of the Germans and returned to their trenches uninjured and bringing prisoners.

Americans Bring Down Planes.

With the American Army in France—Two German fighting planes were shot down Sunday morning inside the American lines by Lieutenants A. S. Winslow, of Chicago, and Douglas Campbell of California. Each man downed one machine.

Both the enemy aviators were made prisoner. One of them was slightly wounded.

The machines, which formed part of a patrol of five aircraft, were brought down after a six-minute engagement. One of the enemy machines fell in flames, but the other was only slightly damaged. It is believed that Lieutenant Campbell is the first graduate of a strictly American school to bring down an enemy machine.

The French general commanding the zone in which the machines were shot down congratulated the Americans on their "beautiful exploit."

Both lieutenants were awarded the war cross.

THIRTY-THREE DEAD IN FIRE

Three Buildings of Oklahoma Insane Hospital Burned—Many Rescued.

Norman, Okla.—Thirty-three bodies, burned and charred beyond recognition, had been taken Saturday night from the ruined building that housed ward No. 14 of the State hospital for the insane here, ravaged by fire.

Three buildings, all frame structures, were destroyed and a fourth was badly damaged. The list of missing stood at 37.

According to the best information obtainable, the fire started from defective wiring in a linen closet in ward 14. Thirty-five helpless negroes were carried quickly from the adjoining ward, No. 15, but the blaze in ward 14 had gained great headway and it was there most of the deaths occurred.

Eighty negro patients were rescued from ward No. 10, most of them having to be carried out.

A two-story structure containing wards 13 and 16 next started to blaze. These two wards contained 88 violent patients, most of them negroes. Some of the patients in this ward fought their rescuers.

The fire here was extinguished before the structure was totally destroyed.

Only a few of those in ward 14 escaped and the victims were burned beyond identification.

Most of the 33 bodies recovered were found in beds, indicating that many had been rendered helpless by smoke and fumes.

U.S. NAVAL COLLIER CYCLOPS IS MISSING

Big Vessel is Overdue for More
Than One Month.

ALL SEARCH FUTILE

Craft Leaves West Indies Port March 4 and Completely Disappears—War Department Alarmed.

Washington, D. C.—The big American naval collier Cyclops, carrying 57 passengers, 15 officers and 221 men in her crew, has been overdue at an Atlantic port since March 13. The Navy department announced Sunday that she was last reported at a West Indies island March 4 and that extreme anxiety is entertained as to her safety.

The vessel was bringing a cargo of manganese from Brazil.

The Cyclops left the West Indies with one of her two engines damaged, but the department said this fact would not have prevented her from communicating by radio, and all efforts to reach her by that means have been unsuccessful. A thorough search of the course which she would have followed in coming to port has been made, and continues, it was announced.

There have been no reports of German submarines or raiders in the locality in which the collier was, the department's statement said. The weather had not been stormy, and could hardly have given the collier trouble.

The fact that the collier had been missing nearly a month became known here April 11. The naval censor requested the press not to publish the fact, on the ground that the ship had not been given up for lost, and that to publish the fact that she was overdue might expose her to enemy attack, while she might be disabled on the high seas. The official announcement by the Navy Sunday does not give the ship up for lost, but merely says "the Navy department feels extremely anxious as to her safety."

U. S. SENATOR STONE DEAD

Missourian in Public Life Nearly Half Century, Passes Away at Capital.

Washington, D. C.—Senator William J. Stone, of Missouri, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee and for many years prominent among Democratic leaders, died here Sunday after a stroke of paralysis suffered last Wednesday.

Senator William J. Stone was in public life 45 years and during that period probably engaged in as many political contests as any man of his time, ranging all the way from controversies over county offices to the broadest national issues. At the entry of the United States into the war Senator Stone performed the trying feat of antagonizing his own party administration, later aligning in a generally satisfactory manner.

It was in connection with the bill proposing the arming of American merchant ships that he took sharp issue with President Wilson. He stood with the dozen senators whose opposition caused the failure of that measure at the close of the 4th congress and brought down the denunciation of the President upon "the wilful twelve."

While Senator Stone made no apologies for his course on that occasion, he always contended it was in strict line with his duty as a senator, because in accord with his convictions.

His opposition to the declaration of war upon Germany was also pronounced, and he declined to take charge of the war resolution, as would have been expected of the chairman of the committee on foreign relations. He did not seek, however, to place obstacles in the way of a consideration of the measure and transferred the leadership to Senator Hitchcock, next ranking Democratic member of the committee. He believed that American participation should be avoided if possible, but when the die was cast for war he changed overnight.

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