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Daily News Items.

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

The Dutch cabinet has placed the resignation of its workers in the hands of Queen Wilhelmina, says the Nieuwe Rotterdam Courant, of Rotterdam.

A telegram from Berlin says that a bill for a fresh war credit of 15,000,000,000 marks, to be covered by loans, was introduced Friday in the Reichstag.

A credit of \$100,000,000 was granted to France Thursday by the treasury, making the total advanced to France to date \$1,765,000,000 and the total credits of the allies \$6,081,590,000.

The first contingent of American troops to arrive in Italy, within 48 hours, established itself in camp. The men are sleeping under their own tents and feeding from their own kitchens.

Necessity for stricter economy in news print paper is emphasized in a letter addressed by the War Industries board to all newspaper publishers, who are asked to put into effect a number of economies.

The Arkansas constitutional convention has voted to incorporate into the proposed new state constitution a clause giving women all civil and political rights, including suffrage and serving on juries.

When a 3400-ton ship was launched at Manitowoc, Wis., July 4th the honor of christening the vessel was given to the wife of the boss of the riveting gang that made the best record from June 11 to July 1.

Vancouver, B. C., police officers have voted to form an officers' union and to affiliate with the Trades and Labor council. Recently the Vancouver city council asked the policemen not to affiliate with the council.

A Bucharest dispatch to a Dutch newspaper says that in the new constitutional law of Roumania the rights of the crown will be so changed as to affect the crown's power of concluding an alliance or in declaring war.

Premier Lloyd George sent the following message July 4 to President Wilson: "I have just heard that a hundred ships have been launched in the United States. Heartfelt congratulations on this magnificent performance."

An earthquake of considerable severity Wednesday morning at 3:11 A. M., and continuing until 5:20 A. M., was recorded on the seismographs of Georgetown University observatory. Its center was estimated at about 3900 miles from Washington.

Three negro soldiers, convicted by court-martial of attacking a 17-year-old white girl after slugging her escort on the cantonment grounds on the night of May 24, were hanged at Camp Dodge, Ia., at 9 A. M. Friday. The negroes are selective service men from Alabama.

Representative Japanese business men of the Pacific Coast, from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland and Vancouver, B. C., in conference with Seattle Japanese Thursday sent a telegram to President Wilson pledging support to the government in the prosecution of the war.

Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch brother of the former Emperor Nicholas, has been proclaimed Czar of Russia, according to the Ukrainian telegraph bureau of Kiev. He is marching with the Czech-Slavs against Moscow. Grand Duke Michael, after the abdication of Emperor Nicholas, was named regent.

Three Minneapolis papers, the Journal, the Evening Tribune and Daily News, have increased their price of the paper from one to two cents. The Minneapolis Morning Tribune recently increased its price from one to two cents.

Furnishing of liquor to officers and men of the army within private homes is prohibited under new regulations formulated by President Wilson and Secretary Baker and made public by the commission on training camp activities.

TROUBLE IN SOUTH AFRICA

Enemy Agencies Suspected of Intriguing to Cause Disturbance.

Pretoria, July 5.—Political trouble is brewing in South Africa, is suggested by a statement just issued by Premier Botha, of the Union of South Africa. Vigorous measures involving co-operation of troops and police are being taken.

Premier Botha said that had not prompt and effective military steps been taken the situation would have culminated in a grave disturbance and probably serious loss of life.

The Boer leader added that the government had information pointing to the existence of a movement having for its object the subversion of the constitution by violent methods.

London, July 5.—South African troubles have been the subject of rumors in London for some days. It has been known that serious strikes have been in progress in the Transvaal mines and it has been reported that these had an anti-government purpose and had been stirred up by German agents or irreconcilable Boers.

A message from Johannesburg yesterday to Reuter's Limited, says that all the natives who had refused to work on Wednesday later had resumed their duties.

NEW U. S. TONNAGE BEYOND EXPECTATION

Objectives of Shipbuilders Exceeded
on Fourth—Seventeen War Vessels Are Launched.

Washington—American shipbuilders went beyond their objectives in the independence day drive for new tonnage. The shipping board announced that the workmen started out with the expectation of launching 439,886 dead-weight tons, but later reports to the board show that 474,464 tons had been gotten ready to put overboard.

Seventeen American war vessels were launched on Independence day, the navy department announced, and the keels of eight others were laid. The craft put overboard included 14 destroyers, a gunboat and two mine sweepers.

The actual number of ships launched was 82. The launching of 11 others was held up by a freshet in the Columbia river, while two others stuck on the ways. They are expected to be released without great delay.

As a result of the independence day launchings July and August deliveries are expected to show tremendous increases, as compared with preceding months. Machinery is beginning to come through for the wooden hulls, many of which have been delayed after launching by the lack of engines.

SHIPYARD BURNS; LOSS \$1,500,000

Orange, Tex.—Federal and Texas and Louisiana officers are investigating the fire which early Friday morning destroyed the entire plant of the Orange Maritime Corporation on the Louisiana side of the Sabine river, valued at \$1,000,000, and three half-completed 2200-ton schooners valued at \$225,000 each.

Two men, one said to be a Swedish subject, are under arrest. Their names are withheld.

Charred bodies of two men, one believed to be a contractor of New York, and one, that of an old man, an employe, have been found.

BOLSHEVIKI ON RUN; IRKUTSK IS GIVEN UP

London.—Victory of Czech-Slovak forces over the Bolsheviks near Irkutsk is reported in advices Monday from the Siberian city. The Bolsheviks are said to have been overwhelmed west of Irkutsk and to have been driven out of the region to the east of Lake Baikal.

There was a battle at Nerkhnie Udinsk, a town on the Siberian railway 80 miles east of Lake Baikal, and it resulted in the Russian government troops being driven out of the place.

The Bolsheviks, in abandoning Irkutsk, took with them great quantities of food.

Sultan's Death Mystery.

London.—Reports have reached London from Dutch sources that the death of the sultan of Turkey, Mohammed V, which took place on Wednesday night, was not due to natural causes and presumably was part of a revolutionary movement in the Ottoman empire.

BATTLE FRONT MAY REACH INTO RUSSIA

War Conference is Held at
Washington, D. C.

DECISION IS REACHED

Wilson's Watchful Waiting Seems apt
End—Vladivostok and Kola Appear to Be Storm Centers.

Washington, D. C.—Developments Saturday tended to indicate that a new battlefront may soon be established in Russia. The German menace, steady advance of which has been reported for some time in dispatches, appears at last to have reached a point where the watchful waiting attitude of the American administration has been challenged.

The Russian situation is understood to have been the subject at a conference at the white house between President Wilson and Secretaries Lansing, Baker and Daniels, Admiral Benson, chief of naval operations, and General March, chief of staff.

There was no announcement after the conference and probably will be none for the present, but it was said unofficially that an important decision had been reached.

Urgent appeals from the allied governments for American approval of and co-operation in joint measures to meet the German menace through Russia, have been before President Wilson for several days. Until now, however, there has been no intimation that he had changed his position, based upon recommendations of his military advisers, that a successful military effort in Russia was not feasible.

For military reasons, strictest secrecy is observed concerning the exact nature of steps proposed by the allies. American and allied naval forces now are guarding war supplies both at Vladivostok, terminal of the Trans-Siberian railroad and Kola, terminal of the railroad on the Arctic coast, which is reported threatened by German forces in the interior.

In some quarters it has been said that since the United States regarded intervention purely as a military problem, the president, heretofore an opponent of military action on the ground of impracticability, would be guided by the decision of the supreme war council at Versailles and General Foch.

Reports Saturday that the supreme war council had given a decision were not confirmed in official circles.

Fuel Rationing Started.

Washington.—Rationing of coal to householders was announced Sunday night by the Fuel administration as among plans designed to prevent a threatened shortage of coal next winter. Each domestic consumer will be allowed only as much coal as is necessary to heat his house to 68 degrees, provided every conservation rule has been obeyed. The allowance, the announcement said, will be sufficient for comfort, but "the thoughtless and wasteful consumer who finds his allowance gone before the end of the winter, will have only himself to thank if he has no fuel with which to heat his house."

The plan involves a department of allotments in connection with each local fuel administrator's office. The system will be put into operation at once. Each order for coal will be censored by comparison with the rating of the house where the coal is to be used.

Ex-Mayor Mitchel, Aviator, Killed.

Lake Charles, La.—Major John Purroy Mitchel, killed Saturday when he fell 600 feet from the airplane in which he was riding, dropped from the pilot's seat and plunged downward while his plane skimmed on without a pilot for nearly half a mile, according to statements by officers at Gerstner aviation field near here.

An examination of the wrecked machine developed that the safety belt was unfastened at the time of the accident, causing Major Mitchel to fall from his seat as the plane went into a nose dive.

Major Kirby, commandant of the field, declined to speculate as to the cause for the belt being unfastened. It is a rule that all fliers fasten themselves into place with the belt before ascending.

What a Bank Check Says

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