

WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important
Daily News Items.

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

A revolution has broken out in Southern Costa Rica, Jorge Volio has invaded Costa Rica territory from Panama and a force under him is attacking Villa Concepcion Perez, a town on the frontier.

Miss Emma G. Mullen, of New York, was killed in the Paris church struck by a German shell on Good Friday. This increased to five the number of Americans who lost their lives in the church.

In the week ended March 30 Teutonic submarines sank three Italian steamships of more than 1500 tons and destroyed one sailing vessel of more than 100 tons and nine sailing vessels of a tonnage under that figure.

Members of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen at Knappa, Or., tarred and feathered two pro-German members of the I. W. W. Thursday, and then headed them up the road with a warning not to return.

Charles Cole pleaded guilty to a charge of appropriating \$12,000 worth of Liberty bonds from the Federal Reserve bank at San Francisco, where he was employed, and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment at McNeil's Island.

Germany's bombardment of Paris by long-range guns will only serve to strengthen the resolve of the French to resist the last man if necessary to Teutonic invasion according to a report received at the State department from Ambassador Sharpe at Paris.

There was a sudden and marked decrease in the losses to British shipping through mine and submarine in the past week. The admiralty reports that only six British merchantmen of 1600 tons or over and seven under that tonnage were sunk in the week ended March 30.

Representatives of every state, including more than a dozen governors, met in Washington D. C., Wednesday, at an Americanization conference called by Secretary Lane, of the Interior department, to draft recommendations to congress for legislation providing for a National campaign against illiteracy.

Major General March, acting chief of staff, has directed that the issuance of the daily casualty list be suspended pending definite interpretation from Secretary Baker as to whether it is forbidden by his new order providing that General Pershing's headquarters shall issue all news relating to the troops in France.

About 500 dressed reindeer will be shipped to the food markets of "the states" on the first boat leaving Nome, Alaska, after the breaking-up of the ice on Bering Sea this spring. All winter long a marketing firm has been slaughtering and preparing a certain number for shipment "outside." Several hundred are in cold storage waiting for the boat.

An arrangement has been concluded under which Japan will turn over to the United States 450,000 tons of shipping, of which total 150,000 tons will be supplied immediately, in return for no consideration except the chartering rates of the allies. The Japanese government will make up the difference between this payment and the Far Eastern rate, involving an expenditure of 18,000,000 yen.

The house of the Nebraska legislature has voted in favor of ratifying the national prohibition amendment. The ratification measure now goes to the senate.

Naval ordnance experts have submitted to Secretary Daniels plans for a heavy gun which they say will throw a shell 105 miles. They question the military value of the weapon.

A number of Americans who had suffered from the effects of gas at the front have arrived at the American Red Cross military hospital No. 2 in Paris. Most of the men will recover.

A report to the State department from American Consul General Murphy, at Sofia, declared that no Bulgarian troops were moved to the Western front for the big German offensive. It had been stated that Bulgarians were fighting in the West alongside Germans and Austrians.

"TIS FREEDOM'S CALL—LEND YOUR ALL"

—Florence B. Hoyt, Portland.



This is Oregon's official slogan—'Tis Freedom's Call; Lend Your All. Defend yourself. If you can't go across to fight, you can do the next best thing by investing in Liberty Bonds to keep your boy—your neighbor's boy—on the firing line To Protect Your Country To Perpetuate American Freedom To Keep the Demon Hun From Your Door. We can't act too quickly. The danger is imminent. We will be tardy at best. Don't stop to think, any more than you would stop to think whether to strike back if you were threatened by an assassin. Will you jeopardize your liberty by failing to do your duty? He who hesitates is most assuredly lost. All that your forefathers fought and died for is lost. All that the patriots of '65 fought for is lost. This is your great opportunity. Use it and Take your place as a real American.

U. S. BOYS START FOR BATTLE FRONT

Americans in Streams Advance
Toward Scene of Action.

WASHINGTON IS GLAD

Quick Movement of Troops Follows
Pershing's Offer of All Men and
Material to French Leader.

With the American Army in France, Saturday — All the American troops have been turned over to the allies for such use as they see fit to make of them. American troops may soon be fighting side by side with their British and French allies in the battle which is raging in Northern France.

The acceptance by France of General Pershing's offer of all American men and material for the present emergency has in effect virtually resulted in a unified army command, so far as the French army and American forces are concerned.

This is shown by the fact that the orders issued to the American troops are of French origin.

Great activity of many sorts is in progress in the entire American zone. Miles of motor trucks loaded with Americans have passed through the towns, some going in one direction, some in another. Through a driving rain the motor trucks ploughed their way along muddy roads, the Americans singing. Many of the trucks bore American flags.

On other roads mile after mile of marching Americans splashed through the mud, which came over their ankles. The horses were steaming from the work they had to do.

Out on the open roads the men in the camions sang everything from "The Battle Hymn of the Republic"

to "Tipperary." They exhibited the greatest enthusiasm for the work they have in hand and seemed to be anxious to get it started.

Frequently during the day heavy motor trucks skidded from the muddy roads into ditches, but they were quickly and literally picked up by as many Americans as could get a hand on them, set back on the road and started again.

A little thing like lifting the end of a five-ton motor truck from a ditch means nothing to Americans who are in a hurry to get into the fight.

Washington, D. C. — Washington was thrilled Sunday by the news that American soldiers actually are on their way to the fighting lines to take places beside their hard-pressed British and French allies.

U. S. TO RUSH TROOPS

Big German Drive Arouses America to
Make All Speed Possible — War
Plans Suddenly Quickened.

Washington, D. C. — That the German drive in France and the appointment of General Foch as generalissimo of the allied armies, together with the offer of General Pershing to place American troops at the disposal of the allies, have had tremendous and far-reaching effect on American war plans, was made evident Monday at the meeting of the war council with members of the senate military committee.

Reports given to members of the committee were said to be the most satisfactory in many respects that have been received since this country entered the war. Members returned to the capitol visibly impressed with what they had heard and seen at the meeting of the council. They announced that full steps are being taken to put the entire resources of the American people into the war and that it seemed that the old "3000 miles away" attitude had been abandoned for a feverish haste to rush troops to France.

While complete details of the meeting were not given out by senators, even in confidence, it was asserted that if the plans of the military authorities go through, developments of

TWO HUN DIVERS ARE SUNK

Depth Charges From Yankee Destroyers
Hit Submerged Mark.

London—Encounters in which American destroyers sank German submarines are thus described in accounts of successful submarine battles published Monday:

"The first American destroyer sighted the enemy submarine on the port bow and proceeded at full speed in the direction of the enemy, who submerged. The American forces could see the enemy's wake, which showed he was running underneath the surface from starboard to port. As the German passed under the stern of the American boat the latter dropped a depth charge. The wake, which had been plainly visible on the starboard, never appeared on the port side of the destroyer. In stead, large quantities of oil came to the surface.

"The second American destroyer, engaged in night convoy duty, sighted an object a mile away by the light of the moon. Full speed was ordered, but the submarine dived while the American was still a few hundred yards distant. Two depth charges were dropped and oil came to the surface.

"This submarine was apparently lying in wait for another convoy which was approaching from an opposite direction."

extreme importance in this country are to be expected in a few days.

These developments, it is said, refer to a newly-made decision to answer the appeal of the allies for men and to rush National army and National guard troops to the front at once, disregarding for the time being the shipping situation so far as it relates to the transportation of food. The ratio of food and munitions ships to transports is to be reduced materially, it is understood, and with the approval of French and English authorities, the sending of troops is to be the most important function of the government in the next few weeks.

While, of course, no details are available as to the number of troops that are to be sent, or in regard to the identity of the divisions which are to go, it can be said that a large proportion of the 900,000 troops now in training in this country are involved in the plans that have been made.

NATION PREPARES TO SMITE SEDITION

Senate Considers New Measure
Aimed at Teuton Spies.

PENALTIES PROVIDED

Governors Meet in Washington With
Council of National Defense and
Plan to Crush Disloyalty.

Washington, D. C. — The extent to which the United States has awakened to the peril of German spies and propaganda was emphasized Friday by the progress made along lines of combating the Teuton menace.

The senate debated the house bill providing severe penalties for sedition. Senate and house conferees agreed on a measure to deal with sabotage.

Governors of many states met with the Council of National Defense to consider a campaign against disloyalty.

German spies, propagandists and persons making disloyal utterances were denounced in the senate when an effort was made to rush through a house bill providing penalties of 20 years' imprisonment and \$10,000 fine for interference with government bond sales, acts intended to interfere with the army draft and disloyal statements.

"We've got to do something to catch these scoundrels and spies all over the country," said Senator Overman, of North Carolina. "People are taking the law into their own hands on the ground that congress is not passing necessary laws. We hear reports of mobs everywhere."

Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, declared the bill would not catch a single spy. He asserted that spies do not do their work publicly, or openly make disloyal utterances.

German propaganda has been "notoriously conducted," and the bill's purpose is to broaden the espionage law, Senator Walsh, of Montana, said.

He said some Federal courts have made "strained constructions of existing law and discharged persons who have denounced the President and the nation, and obstructed the draft and bond subscriptions."

Fears that enactment of the bill in its present form would retard rather than aid the sale of Liberty Bonds were expressed by Senator Thomas, of Colorado. The measure, he said, would take away many of a citizen's legal rights, including his right to criticize the President.

Vigorously opposing the measure, Senator Johnson, of California, said he was "astonished" at its breadth and that it could be used to curb freedom of the press and free speech.

George Creel, chairman of the committee on public information, was denounced as a "slivering sneerer," and characterized as the "chosen spokesman for the administration," by Senator Watson, of Indiana.

A number of newspaper editorials written by Creel some years ago, in which he vigorously denounced the President, the Supreme court and the senate, were read by the Indiana senator, who asked whether the pending measure would apply to such articles.

"Ought this man be permitted to hold that position?" asked Senator Watson, referring to Creel as chairman of the committee on public information. "Should not the senate ask for his removal?"

Teuton Hanged by Mob.

Collinsville, Ill.—Robert P. Praeger, said to be of German parentage, was hanged to a tree one mile south of the city limits Thursday night by a mob of 350 persons, which dragged him from the basement of the city hall here, where he had been in hiding. Praeger was accused of making disloyal remarks in a recent address to miners at Maryville, Ill.

Praeger early in the night was taken by members of the local "Loyalist" committee and forced to parade barefooted through the streets, kissing the American flag at intervals. The police rescued him and took him to the city hall for safe-keeping.

Cotton Jumps to 34.45.

New York — There was another big advance in the cotton market here Friday, May contracts selling at 34.45, or more than \$3 a bale above Thursday night's closing prices and fully \$10 a bale above the recent low level.

The chief causes for the advance were strength of the goods market and reports that the demand for white cotton was in excess of the supply. All deliveries made new high records for the season.