

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1917

NO. 180

RUSSIANS MOVE CAPITAL TO MOSCOW

EVACUATION ORDERED OF REVAL BASE

Capital Transferred From Petrograd to Moscow and Inhabitants Ordered From Fortified Port of Reval—Main Russian Fleet in Gulf of Finland, Withheld From Battle—Germans Complete Capture of Moon Island.

BERLIN, Oct. 19.—Two Russian infantry regiments, totalling 5000 men, were captured on Moon Island in the Gulf of Riga. It is announced officially. The island is now completely in possession of the Germans.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 19.—Two German torpedo boats were sunk in the mine fields in Moon Island yesterday, the war office announces.

In the naval battle of Wednesday, in which the Russian battleship Slava was sunk, two German trawlers were sent to the bottom and hits were obtained by Russian battleships on German dreadnaughts. The statement says that no less than ten enemy dreadnaughts of the newest Kaiser and Koenig types took part in this battle.

To Move Capital.
PETROGRAD, Oct. 19.—The government has definitely determined to move to Moscow in the very near future. The newspapers publish an official announcement that the evacuation of the fortified port of Reval on the Baltic at the entrance to the Gulf of Finland has begun.

The schools at Reval have been closed. The inhabitants of the city are being sent to the interior of Russia. Announcement that the government will move to Moscow was made today by M. Kishkin, minister of public welfare.

Fear Invasion.
After the capture of Riga by the Germans, preparations for removal of the government to Moscow were begun. The failure of the Germans to develop their offensive after taking Riga, as well as the approach of winter weather, making open campaigning impracticable, relieved the fears for the safety of Petrograd for the near future. Last week announcement was made that the preparations for the transfer of the seat had been stopped, as there was no prospect that such action would be necessary at least for some time. The new offensive operations by the Germans, resulting in the capture of Oesel and Moon Islands and the threat of an invasion of Estonia again changed the situation, however, and may be responsible for the decision to remove the government to Moscow, the ancient capital. The turbulent political conditions in Petrograd and the presence there of large numbers of extremists and agitators may also have influenced the cabinet.

Reval Evacuated.
Reval, a town of about 65,000, 200 miles south of Petrograd, was a naval station, and with Helsingfors and Hangoo, on the northern coast of the Gulf of Finland, guards the approaches to the gulf. The landing of German forces on the Estonian coast would menace the town from the rear.

While the small fleet the Russians

FORMER CZAR NOW FED ON CARD BASIS

PETROGRAD, Oct. 19.—The family of Nicholas Romanoff, former emperor of Russia, now procures its food supplies by the use of cards. Tobolsk district authorities are using food cards and the Romanoffs must do the same as other citizens.

TWO BILLIONS LIBERTY BONDS BY WEEK END

Estimates on Subscriptions to Date Total \$1,750,000, Within Striking Distance of Two Billions Hoped for by Saturday Night—Optimistic Five Billions Will Be Subscribed.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—The liberty loan campaign continued its gains today, and treasury officials announced that many estimates placed the total so far subscribed at above \$1,750,000,000, and "within striking distance" of the \$2,000,000,000 hoped for by Saturday night.

Unofficial figures made public by the department show that a minimum of \$1,535,000,000 had been subscribed up to the close of business Wednesday night. Officials were optimistic that the \$5,000,000,000 mark would be attained by the close of the campaign, October 27.

Two Billions in Sight.
"More than \$2,000,000,000 in subscriptions by Saturday night," today's announcement says, "is the rallying cry to liberty loan workers being echoed from coast to coast. Revelation that the combined totals of all districts are within striking distance of this mark—possibly up to \$1,750,000,000—have given new courage to local committees and renewed their determination to make the maximum of \$5,000,000,000 by the close of the campaign, October 27. Here are the official figures:

"New York, \$500,000,000; Chicago, \$300,000,000; Cleveland, \$115,000,000; Philadelphia, \$115,000,000; Boston, \$110,000,000; St. Louis, \$80,000,000; Richmond, \$75,000,000; Kansas City, \$50,000,000; San Francisco, \$50,000,000; Minneapolis, \$45,000,000; Atlanta, \$20,000,000; Dallas, \$15,000,000."

U-boat in New York.
NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—An overnight gain of more than \$21,000,000 brought the total liberty loan subscriptions in the New York federal reserve district up to \$566,300,000, it was announced at noon today by the committee.

The German submarine brought from England was exhibited in Central park today. It bore a sign, "U-buy-a-bond." Ten million was added this afternoon by a subscription from Kuhn, Loeb & Co.

Coast Increasing.
SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19.—Liberty loan subscriptions bounded forward again today with a morning total exceeding a half million dollars. The Southern Pacific Railroad company, thru President William Spruille, announced that of the company's second subscription of five million dollars, one-half had been allotted to the Pacific system, divided as follows: California, \$1,650,000; Oregon, \$250,000; Nevada, \$250,000; Utah, \$50,000; Arizona, \$250,000; New Mexico, \$50,000.

Subscriptions of company employees of the Pacific division today totaled \$150,000, it was announced.

GRILLS BRITISH NAVY FOR ITS INACTIVITY

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The Daily Mail condemns what it calls the failure of the British fleet to prevent the German fleet from becoming master of the Gulf of Riga and demands that "the admiralty make an explanation of this humiliating display in the Baltic."

Recalling the Baltic success of British submarines against the Germans in 1915, the newspaper adds: "The Germans have accomplished all they were prevented from achieving in 1915, and they have done so without a single blow being struck at them by any arm of the British navy, a navy far stronger than it was two years ago, and recently reinforced by the admission of the American fleet."

WANTED FOR MURDERS, RAPINE AND ATROCITIES

Bill Hohenzollern, Alias Kaiser; Also Styles Self "All Highest."

ARCH CRIMINAL OF THE WORLD

\$5,000 REWARD

Seattle, Wash., man starts it by posting \$5000. Organizes "Capture the Kaiser Club." Regards feat as not impossible. Expects reward to reach million dollars.

By C. A. CLAY.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 19.—Five thousand dollars reward for the capture of the German kaiser to be paid to any person, regardless of nationality.

Three thousand dollar for the crown prince, Field Marshal Von Hindenburg and Admiral Von Tirpitz.

The reward will be paid to any person accomplishing the feat, whether of the allied nations or German, Austrian, Turk or Bulgarian.

The money will be put up by Chas. Cowen, one of Seattle's prominent citizens, as his bit to help win the war for democracy.

In so doing Cowen gave the initial



Charles Cowen, Seattle citizen, who has posted a reward for the capture of the kaiser.



Charles Cowen, Seattle citizen, who has posted a reward for the capture of the kaiser.

STARTS REWARD

boost to the organization of the "Capture the Kaiser Club of America," which is now under way and promises to raise a vast sum of money to spur men on to the task of bagging the world's worst criminal. Wealthy friends of Cowen's in Seattle, when they heard of his offer, insisted that they be permitted to increase the amount. They have organized a local club and will shortly announce a reward about four times the original amount. Men of money over the United States have written him, congratulating him on his idea, and expressing a willingness to subscribe to the kaiser reward.

DESCRIPTION

Military clothes and strut. Turned-up moustache. Cold gray eye. Chest full of medals. Professes intimacy with God. Last seen far behind German battle lines.

BOMBARDMENT GROWS HEAVIER, FLANDERS FRONT

By ASSOCIATED PRESS, Oct. 19.—Field Marshal Haig's report from the Flanders front today gave little idea of what was occurring in this important fighting area. Only the activity of the German artillery at certain points was mentioned. Berlin's statement, however, indicates that an extremely heavy bombardment is in progress in Flanders, the area where the big gun fire is intensive taking in the front occupied by the French, near Houthulst wood, on the British left flank, as well as the lines to the south held by the British themselves. The airman have been unusually active.

One the western fighting front the French have been engaged in some intensive operations in the Alsace region, centering in the district south and southwest of Laon. Extensive raids have been carried out after the guns had prepared the way, and several score of prisoners have been brought in by the French infantrymen, who likewise inflicted notable damage while they were within the German lines.

The activity of the German infantry along the French front was apparently confined last night to the Verdun region. Here another local attack was made on the French lines east of the Meuse, which the French repulsed.

SECRETARY FORCED TO CANCEL TRIP BY COLO

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Secretary Ladd, forced to cancel his liberty loan speaking trip yesterday because of a heavy cold, was reported much better today and probably will be at his desk in a few days.

AMERICAN FLIER WINGS THIRTEENTH GERMAN MACHINE

HEADQUARTERS OF THE LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE, ON THE FRENCH FRONT, Oct. 19.—Lieutenant Raoul Lufbery of Wallingford, Conn., member of the Lafayette escadrille, fought the latest fight in which he brought down a German machine (reported yesterday as his thirteenth), at an altitude of 5999 yards and directly over the trenches.

When it was first seen by Lieut. Lufbery, the German airplane was several hundred yards above him, but by making a wide detour and climbing at a sharp angle, the American was able to make a near approach to the German biplane before being discovered. The German pilot was killed at the first burst of fire from Lufbery's machine gun, and the enemy returned the fire despite the fact that his pilot had been killed and that his own death was imminent. One bullet from the German machine gun punctured the radiator of Lufbery's monoplane and lodged in the carburetor, so that he was compelled to land immediately.

Except for the fact that a strong wind had been blowing in the direction of the German lines, the weather of the past few days has been ideal for flying, and the members of the Lafayette squadron have been busily engaged. While on a low patrol protecting a photographic machine, Sergeant Walter Level of Boston was attacked three times and his machine badly shot up by machine gun bullets.

TOKIO, Oct. 19.—Announcement has been made that Japan will build thirty submarine boats next year. The navy's personnel will be increased to meet the new demand.

NO DESERTER AMONG 39,000 OF NATIONAL ARMY

CAMP LEWIS, Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 19.—There has not been a single deserter from the ranks of approximately 39,000 men of the national army who have left their local board stations for service in the 91st division.

Seventh Day Adventists in the national army will be excused from all duties Saturdays in order to allow them to engage in religious duties according to an order issued today.

E. R. Larsen, a drafted man of San Francisco, will be tried this afternoon by court martial for alleged refusal to submit to physical examination. United States army officers are forbidden to wear the "Sam Brown" belt in this country, according to an order from the secretary of war, posted at 21st division headquarters. The "Sam Brown" belt is made of leather, extending around the waist and over one shoulder. The belts are worn by the Canadians and English, who are said to consider them a very smart part of their uniform.

Reported liberty bond subscriptions at Camp Lewis this morning reached \$516,950. Enough more, it was estimated, had been subscribed to bring the sum up to \$600,000.

INDIAN PLOT TRIAL NEARING AN END

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Testimony for the government against Gustav H. Jacobson et al, charged with attempting to foment rebellion in India, nears the end. United States District Attorney Clyde announced that Richard Herrman, who resumed his testimony this morning, would be the last of his witnesses.

CAMPAIGN FOR LIBERTY BONDS IS UNDER WAY

First Soliciting Yields Good Results and Efforts Will Be Redoubled in Future—Elks to Finance Easy Payment Plan for Members—Business Houses Using the Same.

Medford District at Noon.	31,450
Medford National	31,450
Farmers & Fruitgr's	13,400
Jackson County	19,300
First National	7,450
Total Medford	93,100
Rogue River	2,400
Jacksonville	7,900
Central Point	7,700
Butte Falls	1,200
Eagle Point	1,400
Total District	113,700

The campaign for liberty bonds began in earnest Friday morning, when solicitors began canvassing the city. They report splendid success for the first day.

Medford banks are co-operating in the effort to sell bonds and are showing their patriotism by financing bond purchases at a low rate of interest—as Ashland banks have been doing for the past week. This enables all employers of labor to offer bonds on easy terms to employees.

Elks to Subscribe.
The Medford lodge of Elks at their meeting Thursday evening unanimously voted to co-operate in the sale of liberty bonds by financing purchases for members of the lodge at \$1 down and \$1 a week. Arrangements to this end are being made and it is hoped that other lodges will follow the Elks' example.

C. E. Gates has offered all employees the chance to buy bonds at \$1 down and \$1 a week and the subscriptions will total \$1000 from the employees of this one firm. Another \$1000 will be similarly subscribed by the staffs of the Mail Tribune and Sun. It is expected that other employers will make the same offer, including the large sawmills and orchardists.

Mr. Westerlund's generous offer to school children has met with a speedy response, and it is probable that the list of subscribers will total a hundred. School teachers have indicated their desire to subscribe on a \$5 down and \$5 a month basis, which would complete payments in the school year.

Four-minute men are making nightly talks at the various theaters. Last night speeches were made by F. W. Myers and Judge Glen O. Taylor.

The First National bank at Ashland reported this noon that voluntary individual subscriptions for bonds thru the bank totaled \$24,200. This does not include subscriptions thru other banks nor the bank subscriptions, nor solicitors' work.

The list of subscribers printed today is incomplete, as the First National bank furnished no totals, and names of new subscribers were received too late for insertion.

CANDY BLAMED FOR SHORTAGE IN SUGAR

BOSTON, Oct. 19.—The sale of candy in communities which have abolished saloons, and the heavy demand from the national army cantonments, are blamed for the shortage of sugar in New England, manufacturers said today.

Failure to obtain sugar in sufficient quantities to meet the normal demand already has reduced to a considerable extent the output of local plants.

AMERICAN TRANSPORT TORPEDOED

United States Troopship, Homeward Bound, Sunk in War Zone With a Loss of 67 Lives—Only 167 on Board, All Members of Crew—Few Details Given and No Casualty List Cabled, If Available—Brief Announcement.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—An American transport homeward bound has been sunk in the war zone with a loss of 67 lives. There were only 167 on board and it is assumed that virtually all of them were members of the crew.

A brief dispatch to the war department today brought news of the disaster, giving few details. It is understood that no casualty list has been cabled and even if available in Europe it probably will not be received here tonight in time for publication. Grief at the war department over the bad news was mitigated by relief at the thought that if the enemy had gotten the ship on her outward voyage it would have been infinitely worse. Details of the attack and the rescue of survivors are awaited with impatience.

KEY TO GERMAN PEACE POLICY

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 19.—The key to the policy of the German government in refusing to make any definite statement of peace terms is furnished by Herr Hoch, a socialist member of the reichstag. German newspapers report that the deputy told yesterday how Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg before his retirement as imperial chancellor declared to the socialist members of the reichstag that as chancellor he could not commit himself, but must pull out in the peace negotiations whenever could be obtained for Germany.

Herr Hoch cited this as proof of the ambiguous game the government is playing with its various indefinite peace declarations.

FINAL STRIKE MEETING HELD IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Oct. 19.—Final conferences between the federal wage adjustment board, international officers of the unions involved, employers and employes were held today in an effort to effect a temporary settlement of the shipyard strike here, before the federal board leaves at 8 o'clock tonight for San Francisco. A determined attempt to reach agreement will be made in the meantime.

The committee of four named to select an arbitrator, probably will decide on one today.

ADMIRAL MAYO REPORTS TO WILSON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Admiral Mayo, commander of the Atlantic fleet, who has just returned from the allied naval conference in London, went to the White House today, accompanied by Secretary Daniels, to make his personal report to President Wilson. The admiral went abroad at the president's personal direction to discuss further means of naval cooperation with the allied fleets.