

Hoover Is American Food Dictator

HOOVER ACCEPTS FOOD DICTATOR JOB IN AMERICA

COAL MEN ARE CHARGED WITH BOOSTING PRICES

Wilson Says America is Asked to go No Further Than Other Nations at War—Hoover Accepts on Condition He Receive No Pay—Coal Men Boost Prices Several Hundred Per Cent.

WASHINGTON, May 21—President Wilson outlined the administration's food control program in a statement yesterday and declared the powers asked for by the government are no greater than those other governments at war have been compelled to take. "There is no intention, he said, to remain or interfere with normal processes of production."

The statement also makes formal announcement that Herbert C. Hoover has been asked to become food administrator and that he has accepted on condition that neither he nor his immediate associates shall receive any pay for their services.

"It is absolutely necessary that unquestionable powers be placed in my hands," says the President's statement. "I am confident that the exercise of those powers will be necessary only in the few cases where some selfish minority proves unwilling to put the nation's interests above personal advantage."

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21—The Federal Trade Commission urged Congress today to establish federal control over coal prices. The commission declared that coal operators have doctored their books in order to show a high cost of production and then sold coal at several hundred per cent over cost of production. The commission recommended the limitation of the distribution of coal and the authority to allot quantities to various classes of consumers.

RUSSIAN WORD CAUSES TROUBLE

RUSSIAN PROFESSOR EXPLAINS REMAINING CAUSE OF MISUNDERSTANDING AND CONFUSION IN RUSSIA.

CHICAGO, May 21—Professor Samuel N. Harper, instructor in modern languages at the University of Chicago, one of the best known authorities on Russia in the United States, says much of the difference between Russian socialists and the pro-government reported in the United States appears to be due to interpretation of a Russian word, which in English would mean "contributions."

For the last five weeks it has been general understanding that Russian socialists demanded as the policy of allies that there be no annexation or indemnities," said Professor Harper.

In the program of the new coalition government in Russia the policy is reported to be "no annexation or contributions."

TWO RED CROSS NURSES KILLED

EXPLOSION CAUSES INVESTIGATION AND FINDING OF SHELLS ON ST. LOUIS THAT HAVE BEEN TAMPERED WITH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21—It is announced that Mrs. Edith Ayers, of Chicago, and Miss Helen Burnett Woods, of Evanston, Illinois, two red cross nurses with the medical unit bound for Europe, were killed aboard the liner Mongolia while they were watching gun practice when a shell burst.

Another nurse was seriously but not fatally injured.

The Mongolia returned to port.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21—As a result of the explosion on the Mongolia it developed today that the government is investigating alleged faulty shells aboard the liner St. Louis, German spies being suspected.

Shells for immediate use in the gun on the St. Louis are found to be inoperative. The fuses have been tampered with.

FIVE TAKEN IN LIQUOR RAIDS

TWO PLEAD GUILTY AND THREE NOT GUILTY. OTHERS AUTHENTICALLY SAID TO BE IMPLICATED.

Five men were arrested and two more are expected to be arrested, as well as possibly others, as a result of raids made last night by the sheriff's office and the police on roads leading from Dorris to Klamath Falls.

John Nelson, Tom Noug and Harry Bacher pleaded guilty to having liquor before Justice Gowan today, while Dave Burling and Jess Millett pleaded not guilty.

Others are authentically said to be implicated. Leslie J. Cady and Oliver M. Miller were arrested today for having liquor in their possession and the liquor confiscated.

tion and contributions." The question of wording is all-important.

"No indemnities would mean no reparation for destruction done in France, Belgium, Poland, Serbia or Rumania.

"No contributions" means no punitive indemnities, such as Germany imposed on France in 1870.

"Have the Russian socialists changed their attitude, or has there been a misunderstanding. The latter would seem to be the case.

"The Russian newspapers for the first week in April, at which time this point of policy first came up, give as the formula of the Russian socialists: 'No forced annexation and no contributions.' Are the German intriguers, working both in Russia and America, responsible for this misinterpretation?"

"The Russian word was a Russianized form of our own word 'contributions.'"

"Mr. Shepherd, of the United Press, reported the other day on a faked telegram from Paris printed in the Russian papers, to the effect that the American Secretary of State had forbidden newspaper discussion of the coming socialist congress in Stockholm. Have we something similar here?"

"In any case, Russian socialists have all along been opposed only to 'forced annexation and punitive indemnities,' or contributions."

Every Man, 21 to 31, Must Register June 5

BRITISH CLAIM GAINS AGAINST VON HINDENBURG

FRENCH ADVANCE IN MORONVILLE SECTION

French Forces Takes Trench Lines and 800 Prisoners—British Take Supporting Trench—German Prisoners Say Hindenburg is Reinforcing West Front With Fresh Soldiers From East—Drive on Petrograd.

LONDON, May 21—The French have advanced in the Moronville section, taking several lines of trenches and 800 prisoners.

The French announce violent fighting along most of the front. The British claim success against Hindenburg's lines, particularly in the Bullecourt and Fontaine-les-Croisilles regions where they have taken a supporting trench.

German prisoners say that Hindenburg is moving fresh divisions from Russia to the French front replacing on the Russian front with battered divisions from the French front, and as soon as the broken units are rested plans to start a drive on Petrograd.

MRS. MOONEY'S TRIAL BEGINS

THIRD OF ALLEGED PARADE BOMB MURDERERS IS BEFORE JUDGE SEAWELL IN SUPERIOR COURT.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21—Mrs. Irena Mooney, third of the alleged preparedness parade bomb murderers to be placed on trial, came before Judge Emmett Seawell in Superior Court today.

The first move of her attorneys was to ask that Mrs. Mooney and Israel Weinberg, also held for the same offense, be released on bail. Louis Ferraro, deputy district attorney, lead the prosecution.

Saturday the question of who was to preside at the trial still was in doubt, Judge Dunne having announced several days ago that he would preside at no more bomb-trials.

District Attorney Fickert announced previous to the trial that F. C. Oxman, now under charges of attempting to frame the Thomas Mooney case, would testify against Mrs. Mooney, there being some 150 witnesses under subpoena. The defense declared it would have new witnesses to offer before the trial closed.

Requests for a federal investigation of the Oxman charges have been sent to Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, for transmission to the government, by Paul Scharrenberg, Secretary of the California State Federation of Labor. Scharrenberg asks that Francis J. Heney be appointed to conduct the investigation.

Down With American Pie Says Dr. Gurli Mellenthin



"Down with the Great American Pie," says Dr. Gurli Mellenthin of Los Angeles in the new propaganda she has begun to say during the war. She has gone forth on a nation-wide campaign against the pie, the cake, and all those goodies which appeal more to the taste than to the appetite. "I appeal to the bakers to quit making pie during the war," said she. "I appeal to the housewives of America to stop buying pie. I ask them to stop making pies."

DRUNKEN MAN MADLY MURDERS

KILLS TWO, INJURES WIFE AND MAY HAVE COMMITTED SUICIDE WHILE IN INTOXICATED CONDITION.

MOSELUM HILL, Calif., May 21—Jack Treanor, an engineer, shot and killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. J. M. Storms, then turned his weapon on his eight months old babe sleeping in its crib killing it, fired four shots in the body of his young wife, threw the weapon on the floor and fled to the hills at Fosteria, early this morning while drunk.

The wife will probably recover.

The sheriff and a posse are trailing the murderer. Treanor came to his mother-in-law's home where his wife and baby were staying at 1 o'clock this morning. Mrs. Storms opened the door and admitted him.

It is believed she took him to task for being intoxicated and they quarreled. Treanor then drew the gun and began to fire.

SAN ANDREAS, May 21—The sheriff here believes that Jack Treanor, the Fortoria murdered suicided by jumping down an abandoned mine shaft. An investigation shows that he also attempted to cut his wife's throat after shooting her and the others.

SOCIALIST MEET DOOMED TO FAIL

ENGLAND'S FOREMOST SOCIALIST SAYS OUTCOME OF SUCH A CONFERENCE WILL BE FISTICUFFS AND CONFUSION.

(Delayed by Censor)

LONDON, May 18—H. M. Hyndman, one of England's foremost socialists, believes Russian plans for a general conference of world socialists is doomed to failure.

"I believe the likeliest outcome of the conference will be fisticuffs, confusion and bad feeling," he said today. "But, nevertheless, any effort to suppress such a gathering might have worse results."

"The Russian plan advanced by the soldiers' and workmen's council proposes to settle important economic questions which demand the coolest deliberation in an atmosphere of peace, while the war is raging."

"If the delegates met to consider agreed principles and to discuss them in a single language such a conference would be sufficiently difficult—but where there is no such agreement—indeed the widest difference as well as several languages—where the managers would naturally be Russians language would be unintelligible to

AMERICA'S FULL WEIGHT NEEDED

BRITISH SECRETARY OF WAR TELLS OF WAR CONDITIONS AND WHAT AMERICA SHOULD DO AS HER PART.

By LOWELL MELLETT (United Press Staff Correspondent)

LONDON, May 18 (Delayed by Mail) "This war will not be over until the full weight of America has been thrown into the scales; not until America begins making war as though she alone faced Germany, will there be a possibility of predicting when the end will come."

So spoke Lord Derby, England's Secretary of State for war—Kitchener's successor—today. And then he added, emphatically:

"The bigger blow America is able to deliver, the sooner she delivers it the quicker will the war end and the new order of things be assured."

The United Press correspondent went to Lord Derby for some expression of belief on the duration of the war and of what part America should take in the fighting. He found the war secretary firmly of the belief that the end is not yet in sight.

"America," he said, "has a big part to play in this struggle to abolish the world menace of militarism. America must strike hard. We hope she will strike quickly."

Here the British war head suddenly paused, swung about in his chair, faced the blank wall of his office and reiterated, as though seeking to project his thought across the ocean:

"This war will not be over until the full weight of America has been thrown into the scales. Her full weight"—he emphasized.

"Don't let America be misled. Germany's active propaganda right now is directed to that purpose. In every way possible, Germany is throwing out the idea that the war's end is in sight. Germany would like this to be so."

"Germany has reached, if not passed, the crest of her military strength. She knows every day she is weaker by so many men. She is ready to quit—on her own terms."

"She is ready to fight a long, long time yet before accepting the terms that the world's democracy demands to safeguard the future."

"It has been, and still will be a terrible fight. Lord Kitchener sitting in this very chair, said it would be a long war. Not until the English peo-

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Agency People Down. V. E. O'Neil, H. R. Crane, Fred Moffat and R. H. Radcliff, of Klamath Agency, came down Saturday night from that place.

two-thirds of the delegates—that task seems hopeless.

"However, if the Russian soldiers and workmen are seeking light, it would certainly be wrong to suppress their efforts. If such a conference is held the allies should see that their men from the trenches are represented. After all they are the ones who must decide."

"The Stockholm conference which was engineered by the Germans—not the Russian conference, was doomed to failure in advance because the German intrigue was entirely too transparent to fool anybody."

MALE RESIDENTS OF ALL NATIONS MUST REGISTER

JAIL SENTENCE, ONLY, TO PUNISH SLACKERS

Registration Booths Will Be Open in Oregon From 7 A. M. to 9 P. M., June 5—Booths to Correspond With Regular Voting Precincts—All Males Between 21 and 30, Inclusive Must Register.

War Census Bureau Adjutant General's Office Portland, Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore., May 21, 1917—Registration booths will be open throughout Oregon from 7 o'clock A. M. to 9 o'clock P. M. on June 4, census day, for the registration of all male residents between the ages of 21 and 30 years, inclusive.

In practically all cases, these registration booths will correspond to the regular precinct voting places.

It should be thoroughly understood that every male resident between the ages of 21 and 30 years, inclusive, must register.

This applies to alien as well as to citizens. It makes no difference whether the alien is a Japanese, a Chinese, an Italian, a German, or a man of any other nationality. He must register, in common with all citizens of the designated ages.

Of course, aliens will not be drafted for the army. But the Government desires a record of them. One purpose of the war census is to obtain accurate data as to the number and employment of aliens of military age now in the United States.

The Government desires also to obtain from the coming census information showing exactly how every male citizen is best fitted to be of service to his country, whether in civil or military life.

Consequently, if you are a man between the ages of 21 and 30 years, inclusive, either alien or full citizen, you are subject to registration on the day fixed by the President. Exemptions from military service will be determined afterward. You must register in your home precinct. If you fail to present yourself, or presenting yourself, give false, misleading or incorrect answers to the questions, you are subject to punishment by imprisonment in jail. There is no alternative of fine.

NEW MYSTERY IN GERMAN PURCHASES

BERNE, Switzerland, April 30—(By Mail)—The Swiss Government is curious to know why Germany wants huge quantities of Japanese crepe paper napkins. German agents throughout Switzerland have been placing orders for large quantities, paying for them in napkins of their own manufacture and money which alone equals the value of the Japanese variety. Whether this is some 'new Teutonic intrigue involving the Far East or whether the Japanese variety has been found valuable for manufacturing of explosives is a problem which the Swiss secret service is working out.