

# GERMANS FLING THEMSELVES IN VAIN AGAINST ALLIED LINES

### Heaped Up Dead and Broken Ranks Their Only Recompense For Day of Terrible Fighting Along the Western Battle Front

### FRENCH BEND BEFORE BLOW ON AISNE BUT RECOVER

### Great Offensive Launched By the Italian Commanders Drives the Austrian Troops Along Wide Sector of Isonzo River Region

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

NEW YORK, May 17—Desperate fighting on the British front between the River Scarpe and Gavrelle, successful attacks by the British Mesopotamia and Macedonia and the launching of a victorious offensive by the Italian troops are the salient features of the official communiques issued by the belligerent nations yesterday.

The announcement by the British admiralty of the arrival of a flotilla of American destroyers, brought out by the news of a brush with German submarines was the item of most importance to Americans, as it appeared to be to the people of Great Britain and France when the announcement was made from London.

The struggle of the Germans to force back the advancing British and French continued yesterday, the Allies allowing them to waste themselves in futile efforts against the Entente positions. The attacks launched by the Germans were among the most tremendous yet seen on that bloody front and their losses when repulsed by the gun fire of the men under Haig among the largest they have yet suffered. The British have gained ground at Bullecourt.

On the Aisne river line the French were bent back for a time by the fury of the German counter attacks, but succeeded before the day ended in retaking all of the ground they had lost and inflicting heavy losses upon the foe.

From Rome came the report that the new Italian drive on the Austrian front after months of inactivity in achieving important results, capturing the wooded heights on the east bank of the Isonzo River, and forcing a passage of the river between Loga and Bombard.

The Italians yesterday carried out a series of sharp assaults which guaranteed success for the movement that began four days ago. The drive on the Isonzo front is continuing steadily.

The intense artillery fire which preceded the infantry assaults began on the morning of May 12, and continued almost without cessation until the morning of May 14.

The heavy artillery of the Italians smashed the Austrian positions and prepared the way for the soldiers. The drum-fire was especially severe. The Austrians attempted to reply with certain fire. Towards noon the Italian infantry attacked. Valuable Austrian positions were taken. Up to date the capture of 2375 prisoners and thirty machine guns has been reported.

# MARKET CURB FORCES WHEAT FUTURES DOWN

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

CHICAGO, Illinois, May 17—Wheat is dropping on the Chicago market. Under the influence of the new regulations and proposed action to curb prices, and also the influence of the warm weather, favorable to ripening, wheat futures yesterday showed declines of twenty-three and twenty-four cents. July wheat dropped to \$2.18, and September to \$1.98. The restrictions apply only to futures, not affecting actual sale and delivery of the grain. Actual wheat is selling at more than \$3 a bushel and is hard to obtain.

# DRAFT REPORT ADOPTED House Also Accepts Pay Increase

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, May 17—The conference report on the Army Bill, which provides for the selective draft and eliminates recruiting by the volunteer system, was adopted yesterday by the house of representatives and provides for very material increases in the pay of enlisted men. Throughout all branches of the service, men who are now receiving from fifteen to twenty-one dollars a month will receive an increase of fifteen dollars a month. Those who now receive twenty-four dollars will be raised to

thirty-six dollars. Thirty dollars a month men will get thirty-six dollars, men receiving forty dollars now will be raised to forty-eight dollars and men who now get forty-five dollars will have six dollars a month added to their pay.

Final action now rests with the senate. The senate held a 4-hour executive session today, devoted largely to attacks upon the cabinet of national defense and its advisory commission, the members of which are charged by both Democrats and Republicans with usurping authority. When the session opened later in the day, the criticism continued.

# TREMENDOUS LOANS MADE Total Reaches Sum of \$670,000,000

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, May 17—The government of the United States loaned yesterday the huge total of \$145,000,000. Of this sum, \$45,000,000 was loaned to Belgium and \$100,000,000 to Russia, this being the first loan made by the United States to either of those countries.

though loans had previously been made to England, France and Italy. The total amount loaned to the Entente nations now amounts to \$670,000,000. Of this total virtually none of the money has left this country, it having been placed on deposit here to the credit of the various nations to finance the purchase in this country of munitions and other supplies for them.

# PROPOSED SURTAX HITS BIG INCOMES House Votes To Levy Additional Twenty-five Per Cent On Incomes of \$40,000

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, May 17—People who have incomes of \$40,000 or more a year are going to be hard hit by the new revenue law, if it finally passes with an amendment agreed upon yesterday by the house sitting as committee of the whole. By a vote of ninety-eight to eighty-seven it was decided to levy on such big incomes an additional twenty-five per cent in addition to all surtaxes already provided for.

It is estimated that this additional surtax will produce a net revenue of not less than \$100,000,000. The passage of the amendment means that an attempt will be made to strike out the increased second-class mail rate already agreed upon and which is being bitterly opposed by publishers throughout the country, who declare that it would mean that many publications would have to go out of business.

# BLACK HAND MEMBER ADMITS SIX MURDERS Tells Police of Twenty-eight Homes Destroyed

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17—Joseph Pedonne, a self-confessed "black hand" operator, was sentenced to imprisonment for life for the murder of Gaetano Ingrassia last Thanksgiving Day. Sentence was imposed yesterday.

Pedonne confessed to Chief of Police White that he had been a member of a band of one hundred and fifty black hand agents who had been operating here for years. In the last eleven years, he declared, the band had committed six murders and destroyed twenty-eight residences. He gave the names of the leaders of the band, and it is believed that arrests will follow which will result in the breaking up of the gang.

# "TEDDY" WILLING TO SERVE MOST ANYWHERE

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

NEW YORK, May 16—Following a conference today with Governor Whitman, Colonel Roosevelt announced that he would accept a commission of major general from the State of New York and tender his services locally, if the army bill passes congress without permitting him to lead an expeditionary army.

# EIGHTEEN SHIPS SUNK BY TEUTON SUBMARINES

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, May 16—Eighteen British merchant ships of more than 1000 tons each were sunk during the past week by submarines, according to official announcement today. Five of less than 1000 tons, and three fishing vessels were lost.

Some reports that last week three vessels of less than 1000 tons each were the victims of the submarines.

# FOR A LAME BACK

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# BRITISH TO HOLD TALKS ON COLONIES Intimation Made in Response To Call For Statement By the Government

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, May 17—Phillips Snowden, Socialist member of parliament yesterday introduced a resolution calling upon the British government to repudiate any idea of territorial aggrandizement. The resolution was met with an intimation from the cabinet that the German colonies will be held.

The resolution also welcomes the announcement of the Russian Socialists declaring that Russia wishes no extension of territory. It said that this country "repudiating all proposals of imperialistic conquest or aggrandizement" takes its stand beside that of Russia.

Snowden was backed up by the small band of pacifists in the house, who joined with him in asserting that "the revolution in Russia is but the start, and it will spread to all other countries soon."

Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, replied opposing the resolution on behalf of the cabinet. He intimated that the government intends to hold on to the German colonies seized during the war.

# CENSORSHIP GETS ANOTHER CHANCE Espionage Bill Held Up To Give Administration Project New Lease On Life

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, May 17—The Espionage Bill, which is now in conference, will probably not be reported back to the house and senate before the administration has had the opportunity of making one more effort to secure the enactment of the press censorship clause.

This clause has already been passed in the house, but was beaten when the bill came before the senate. The disagreement over the censorship is one of the main points for reconciliation by the conferees.

The administration is insistent that the censorship be established, claiming that it is essential to proper carrying on of the war that the press be subjected to such rules as the military and naval authorities may lay down for the treatment of military and naval subjects. It is not the purpose of the administration to attempt to limit the right of criticism of the authorities or of exercising a censorship over general news matters of editorial comment.

# EXPLOSION CAUSES DEATH OF SIX MEN

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

SAULT STE. MARIE, Michigan, May 16—Six men were killed today and several injured in an explosion at the end of the Fort Brady pier, Lake Michigan. Most of those killed and injured were laborers.

It is believed that dynamite stored under the dock exploded. An investigation is in progress, but no details of it can be learned.

# FENNEL TO WEST POINT

Martin Anthony Fennell of 752 E. 13th Street, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William P. Fennell, has passed his examinations for admission to the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. The young Honolulu resident yesterday morning from Adjutant-General McCain of West Point the following cable message: "Report at West Point, New York, June 14, 1917, about 10:30 a. m., for admission to Military Academy."

# HOME RULE SCHEME OF LLOYD GEORGE SENT TO REDMOND

British Premier Asks Leader of Nationalists in Parliament To Voice Views Before Monday So Matter Can Be Presented Without Delay

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, May 17—That the age long Irish question is nearer settlement than ever in the intimation of a letter from Lloyd George, British premier to John Redmond, Irish Nationalist leader in parliament, which was made public yesterday, and which is attracting almost as much attention as the Russian situation or the fighting on the western front.

The letter to Mr. Redmond asks in the name of the cabinet, for his views on the plan for the immediate settlement of the question that more than once in the history of Great Britain has come near to disrupting the empire.

In his message Mr. Lloyd George asks that the Nationalist leader send in his opinion of the proposal as soon as possible so that the government may be able to get to work by Monday at the latest.

The Unionist members of parliament will be given an opportunity to consider the plan and discuss it early next week, while the Nationalists will receive it not later than Thursday of next week.

The plan in brief proposes that a bill providing for home rule of Ireland shall be introduced in the house of commons immediately. The tentative plan is to exclude from the operation of the bill the six Ulster counties. The whole measure will be subject to full reconsideration within five years.

The premier suggests as an alternative that a monster convention of Irishmen, summoned from all the largest cities and communities of Ireland shall be called at once to arrange a scheme for meeting the difficulties that hedge in home rule.

# OXMAN RELEASED ON HABEAS CORPUS Oregon Cattleman, Accused of Perjury At Trial of Mooney, Out On \$1000 Bail

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17—Frank C. Oxman, the Oregon cattleman accused of perjury at the "bomb case" trial of Thomas Mooney, at which his testimony convicted Mooney, was released late yesterday on a writ of habeas corpus granted by the supreme court. His bail was fixed at \$1000. The writ is returnable May 24.

Oxman, who vigorously asserts his innocence of the charge laid against him by attorneys for the defense in the bomb plot case, was refused a writ of habeas corpus by the superior court and appealed to the supreme court.

At the trial of Mooney, Oxman testified that he saw Mooney and some of the other defendants place the substance in the corner of Storer and Market Streets, containing the bomb which exploded during a preparedness parade July 22 last, causing the death of ten persons. His evidence came as a complete surprise to the defense and resulted in Mooney's conviction. Mooney is now under sentence of death.

A few weeks after the conclusion of the trial Oxman was arrested for perjury on evidence submitted by a man named Ed. Rigall, who declared that Oxman had attempted to induce him to commit perjury at the mooney trial.

# EVEN BRITAIN'S KING IS SAVING CAREFULLY

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

OTTAWA, Canada, May 17—Men returning to this city from London with Premier Borden tell of a dinner which they attended at Buckingham Palace in honor of the prime minister, as illustrating how far the economy campaign has come in Great Britain. The guests at the King's table ate the bread they used from a loaf baked around, instead of having it cut before being brought to the table. This was done to avoid waste.

# Yankee Destroyers Work As Units With British Navy

Official Announcement of Brush With German Submarines Is Followed By Statement From Daniels That They Have Been At the Job Since May 4

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, May 17—The engagement between American torpedo boat destroyers and German submarines followed by the official announcement of the British admiralty congratulating the American seamen led to the admission by the American navy department last night that American warships have been operating in European waters since May 4.

Secretary Daniels yesterday issued a formal statement, brief and without details, in which he announced that an American flotilla of destroyers reached Great Britain early this month, under the command of Rear-Admiral Simms. The voyage to England was made without incident, he said in his statement, and the vessels immediately went into active service in cooperation with our British allies.

The statement winds up with the assertion that as yet no report of an engagement has been received from Admiral Simms.

Despatches from Queenstown, Ireland, last night, however, declare that the vessels have put into that port, following a brush with a German submarine flotilla. This was the fact that forced the publication of the news of the presence of the American ships with the British fleet.

The American sailors were given a tremendous ovation when they landed in the Irish seaport yesterday. Huge crowds gathered on the wharves to cheer the Yankee destroyers and the blue jackets.

The men and the ships are reported to be in fine shape and "just spoiling for a fight with the Germans."

The commander of the British naval station at Queenstown officially complimented the officers and men of the ships on their efficiency.

# PALMER WOODS, JR. GETS COMMISSION Son of Well Known Local Man Now Second Lieutenant in Army

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

Palmer Parker Woods, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer P. Woods, of this city, has been appointed a second lieutenant of engineers in the United States Army and may shortly see service with the American troops in Europe.

Information of young Woods' appointment was received yesterday morning by the parents in Honolulu. Lieutenant Woods has been studying civil engineering in the Wentworth University, Boston, for some years. Together with many of his school fellows, young Woods volunteered for service as soon as war was declared between the United States and Germany.

The selection of Woods for a second lieutenancy from among something like 2500 Wentworth students is particularly pleasing news to Hawaii and Hawaiians.

Young Woods was born in Kohala, Hawaii, and celebrated his twentieth birthday last month. He graduated from Punahou and was a member of the National Guard of Hawaii, where he gained his first military experience, which will now stand him well in stead. Mr. Woods expects to leave in July for Boston, this trip having been planned some time ago, to visit the Woods' children in school.

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# KOHALA WELCOMES VISIT OF DODGE WITH OPEN ARMS

Dodge Finds Roads of That District of Big Island in Pratty Good Shape

(Staff Correspondence)

KOHALA, Hawaii, May 12—The hospitality of Kohala has been extended to the pilot car party during the last two days and The Advertiser's Dodge machine that is exploring the motor roads of the Big Island has been driven over every part of the excellent system of highways in this district.

Arriving in Kohala Thursday, The Advertiser Dodge pilot car yesterday toured the main motor thoroughfares of the district compiling a tourist guide to the points of interest.

A. M. Aldrich, inspector for the board of health and superintendent of the new Kohala Hospital, added the party by acting as guide. With Mr. Aldrich, the party visited the heiau at Honouliuli and other points of legendary and historical interest.

Yesterday afternoon the road to Maunaloa harbor was started. The pilot car arrived at Maunaloa just as the Maunaloa "Wagon" of the harbor and the little motor was humming with the business of another day.

Visits Pololu Valley. Later the pilot car made the trip to Pololu Valley, where the road ends at the edge of the unsettled and unexplored mountainous country between Pololu and Kukuhihale.

Pololu Valley is one of the beautiful scenic attractions of Kohala, easily reached by motor car. The first of a series of deep gorges stretching from the sea far into the mountains, this valley is a picturesque setting of color and charm.

The back of the black sands of the beach and nestled between the high walls of the valley are broad fields of rice lands, a deep green carpet of verdure at the mouth of the valley. Back up the gorge rise the precipitous walls of the mountains, banked with forest and mottled in marvelous shades of color.

Follows Steep Trail. The opposite wall of the valley is marked by the zig-zag course of the steep winding trail that leads to the even more picturesque gorges beyond. Great lines and mountain head in multi-colored panorama of green and blue white far in the distance the peaks of the Honouliuli district are visible.

The mountains and gorges beyond Pololu are among the most interesting scenic places in the Islands. This region has been practically unexplored, especially in the interior. The gorges between Pololu and Kukuhihale were first visited by many residents of Kohala, and their accounts of the natural grandeur of the country are enthusiastic.

Yesterday the pilot car party visited H. L. Holstein, speaker of the house, and found the erstwhile frock-coated gentleman, so familiarly known in the capital building, garbed in the regiment of the army.

Back On the Job. The speaker-attorney-farmer is back to the soil and enjoying it again after the sixty day session of the legislature. Mr. Holstein was enthusiastic in his praise of The Advertiser's pilot car plan.

"The project of advertising and promoting the motor possibilities of the island," he said, "is one of the finest pieces of promotion work that has been done for a long time. The Advertiser pilot car trip should be a great help in making it more attractive and interesting for tourists in the Islands."

Other Kohala Boosters. Other boosters of the Kohala district who gave valuable aid in the pilot car party are A. K. McDougall, manager of the mercantile department of the Kohala Club and Transportation Company; Fred O'Brien, manager of the Kohala Club; Frank Boyrie, manager of the Hawi Garage, and George Ross, manager of the Kohala branch of The First Bank of Hawaii.

The pilot car party made headquarters at the hotel of the Kohala Club and Transportation Company. During the stay in Kohala, the pilot car tourists were guests of Hawi plantation employees, at the new Hawi Club house. Today the pilot car visited the plantations in Kohala district—Hawi, Union Hill, Kohala, Hanalei and Niihau, completing the tour of the district.

# GERHARD BRANDT

Gerhard Brandt died at the home of his son, Hermann Brandt, head of the Kohala Plantation Company, on Sunday, May 13. He had been a long time resident of Kohala, for over thirty years, where he was universally respected, and where he raised a large family of exemplary children who remain to cherish his memory. In his absence of Rev. Hugo Isenberg, Rev. J. M. Lydgate conducted the funeral service.

# RADICALS AND LIBERALS IN AGREEMENT TO CARRY ON WAR

Washington Officials Return From Visit To Russia Bringing Reports That Shed New Light Upon Tangled Conditions There

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, May 17—That the situation in Russia is being deliberately colored by the despatches from German ridden Petrograd, and that the Slav nation as a whole is solidly behind the revolution and in favor of continuing the war to the bitter end is the belief of three officials of this government who have just returned from Russia, where they had been on an official visit.

They pointed out that even the fall of Paul Milyukoff, minister of foreign affairs at Petrograd, which was reported from Russia yesterday afternoon does not by any means indicate that democracy is going to fall with him, and the announcement that the provisional government has reached an agreement with the radical elements they declared had been foretold some time ago.

The officials of the state department are now assured that the advanced thinkers in Russia will be able to find a way out of their present difficulties, and that while it may not be possible to count on the Slav armies for some time to come, there is but little danger of a separate peace with Germans, which might leave the Kaiserbund free to throw the divisions now held on the eastern front against the armies of the Entente in the west.

"The storm through which the Russian people passed is not by any means fatal," said one of the returned officials last night. "It is true that the climax is not yet reached, and that more and possibly worse is coming, but in estimating the true value of the developments that have followed upon the overthrow of the Romanoff dynasty one must recall that Russia has been shaken to her very inmost holly of holly. Her religion was shocked unexpressibly by the fall of her Czar. Followed then a period of uncertainty in which there has come about a natural readjustment of values and authority."

"Still another thing that we in this country must not overlook. The news that is being sent out of Petrograd at this time is not colored by the German and pro-German agents with whom that city is infested as might be expected. These agents have been busy for weeks working discent and misunderstanding, and the distance and isolation of Russia from her allies has aided them in their work. But for all that the news we are getting now, is, I believe, genuine, and expresses the true Russian attitude."

The reorganization of the Russian cabinet is regarded here as increasing the power of the radicals, and the United States officials look forward to a greater degree of unity in Russia. Petrograd despatches yesterday reported that Paul Milyukoff, minister of foreign affairs and one of the leaders in the recent revolution, had resigned his portfolio in the provisional cabinet because of the friction and disorder growing in the country and the opposition he is meeting. M. Torenchensko, minister of finance, has been appointed by the council to succeed him.

A. F. Kerensky, former minister of justice and a Socialist, has been named minister of war and marine. Later came reports that the provisional government leaders and the radicals had reached an agreement on three cardinal points on which they had split, and the reconstruction of the cabinet was then inaugurated. The council, the government and the Duma have agreed upon unity of the Allied fronts. The fullest confidence is placed in the revolutionary democracy in the new cabinet, and a plenitude of powers for the government are assured.