

ALL HOPE OF SHORT WAR IS DISSIPATED

Collapse of Russian Armies Makes It Apparent That the Conflict Is To Be a Long One. Government Officials at Washington Say They Believe

UNITED STATES FACES SERIOUS SITUATION

This Country May Within the Year Find Itself Fighting For Its Very Existence Against the Kultur-Mad Teutons. Is Opinion Expressed at National Capital

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

WASHINGTON, July 26—All hope that this war, in which the United States has joined to rid the world of the Hun monster, will be a short and easy one has been dissipated by the apparent collapse of the Russian armies under the influence of ignorance and the pro-German propaganda of the alleged socialist leaders and the extremists.

Such is the firm conviction of the officials of the government here today, following the receipt of details of the fighting upon the eastern battle front, and reports of the situation throughout the great Slav republic.

Army officers at the war department last night admitted that the breakup of the Russian offensive and the collapse of the morale of the troops will undoubtedly have a most tremendous effect upon the conduct of the war for many months to come, if not for years. The failure of the Slav regiments to hold their ground, even when not subjected to Hun pressure, shows, it was asserted, that the disappearance of all discipline is having its disastrous effect, and that Russia as a factor in the Great War has ceased to be.

The first effect of this collapse, it was declared last night, will be to release for service on the western fronts hundreds of thousands of German troops, who have been held in the east for attack and defense against the Russians. This means that the strain upon the British and French armies will be proportionately increased, and will completely change the situation there, where, just a few days ago, von Hindenburg announced he was unable to carry out a great offensive because of a lack of sufficient men to enable him to meet the heavy price which such an offensive would entail.

MENACE TO AMERICA

In the war department there is a profound feeling that this brings the United States face to face with the most serious situation this country has faced since the outbreak of the Civil War. One of the officials declared that it is quite within the bounds of possibility that within the year this country may find herself fighting for her very national existence, and that every nerve must be strained to meet the situation squarely and fairly.

It was pointed out in military and naval circles last night, that perhaps the only way in which a decision can be reached is to roll up the Hun line from the positions which it now holds on the British channel ports. This would break the Kaiser's grip on such bases as Zebruggo and Ostend, where he has been mobilizing his submarines for their piratical forays against the shipping of the world.

Such an offensive, however, would prove tremendously difficult, and even if successful would be costly beyond anything dreamed of even in this war of blood and millions. Indeed one officer declared that "the price would be appalling."

Reports from France last night did nothing to cheer up the officials here. The question of transportation is the one that is outstanding just at this time, as upon its successful solution depends the success of the last great offensive against the invader of France and the ravisher of Belgium.

Rena Mooney Not Guilty of Murder

Jury Returns Verdict of Acquittal In Case of Woman Accused of Complicity in Bomb Plot Explosion That Killed Ten Persons

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

SAN FRANCISCO, July 26—Amid scenes of riotous tumult, Rena Mooney, who has been on trial on a charge of complicity in the preparation of and the exploding of a bomb during the course of the Propriety Parade a year ago in this city, walked out of the courtroom yesterday afternoon, having been declared "not guilty" by her trial jury.

Following a trial lasting several weeks, the jury had been deliberating since last Friday.

Immediately the verdict had been announced, the defendant walked from the courtroom and then raced to the nearby city prison, where her husband is held under sentence of death. She wished to be the first to announce to him the outcome of the trial that is certain to have a great bearing upon the retrial which Mooney is fighting for.

Her sister hysterically ran into the street to meet the jurors, kissing their hands and expressing her thanks for the verdict they had rendered.

It will be necessary, it was declared last night to change the whole of the transportation system of France to meet the new and utterly unexpected demands which will be made upon it to carry out the plans of the big push. Recent despatches from the front indicate that General Pershing has found that the system between his base and his front is inadequate, and has asked and obtained permission from the French government to take over the whole of the transportation problem for his command. Speed and efficiency are considered as of prime importance in the solution of the problem ahead of the American commander.

The conditions necessitate modifications in the system, for France and its facilities are not American, but soon there will be a strip of the United States from a French port to the German trenches.

American haste amazes the French, who no longer talk of German efficiency but marvel at American lightning. The methods of the medical supply depot have already been chosen on a grand scale to cope with the demands of the future big American army in France. The calculations for the depot have been partly based on the fact that 47,000 cubic tons of medical supplies are required for each army division. The medical system, resembling the system of British emergency relief stations, will be established near the trenches, whence the wounded will be transported without delay to their ultimate destination.

Russian Breakdown

Despatches from Petrograd yesterday depict a mournful story of heroism wasted because of the lack of discipline and the breakdown of the whole Russian front, in spite of local successes in the Carpathians, where the offensive has been renewed by some faithful divisions of the Slav armies. These had captured two villages and a large number of Austrian prisoners, but their right wing "in the air," to use a military term, unsupported by the troops farther to the north. As a consequence military men do not anticipate worth while results from their stroke.

Premier Kerensky, the big figure in Russia in these dark days, is doing all in his power to meet the crisis and overcome the dangers that threaten his native land, the chief of which appears to come from the spies and German agents within the country, rather than the Hun troops without. It was officially announced last night that he has authorized the commanders of his armies to execute without mercy all deserters from the ranks. This move was taken after an agitation throughout the nation, demanding that some such steps be taken, had reached a crisis. Many socialist leaders and extremists have been arrested, and Admiral Rozhkov has been placed in command of the Baltic Sea fleet.

Deserters Are Punished

The path of the deserters has not been smooth if all accounts are correct, for when they abandoned Stanislaw, Galicia, yesterday without waiting for the Austrians and Germans to attack the city, they were themselves bombarded by the civilian populace of the place, who used hand grenades with great effect upon the fleeing soldiery.

The women of Russia are, however, making a name for themselves, and yesterday the official communique issued from Petrograd told of the fact that the famous "Death Command," composed entirely of women had been in its first engagement near Krevno, and had covered itself with glory, losing many of its members.

Berlin officially claimed additional gains on the eastern front and the general staff added that the "Russian armies are apparently utterly crushed, their rout being complete." German troops are advancing and have retaken Tarnopol, Stanislaw and Nadvorna.

JAPANESE WELCOME AMERICAN ADMIRAL

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

TOKIO, Japan, July 25—Admiral Knight of the U. S. Navy is here today, and his visit has been the occasion of enthusiastic manifestations of friendship on behalf of Japan toward America.

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Mrs. Mooney is not free, there being seven more indictments against her charging murder, but it is uncertain as yet whether or not she will have to face trial on any one of these additional indictments. In her cell, following her return from greeting her husband, she had a reception, kissing her attorney, the other defendants, and including the newspaper reporters in her embraces.

"I feel most happy over my acquittal," she said, "but happier still in the knowledge that others who, like me, have been falsely charged will now soon be at liberty."

Mrs. Mooney, who is a music teacher, has offered to educate Pearl Seaman in music. Miss Seaman was one of the victims of the bomb explosion, her leg having been blown off.

District Attorney Pickett, asked for a statement, said: "I found the usual difficulty of trying to convict a woman of a capital offense. I expected a disagreement in the jury at the best. I will probably put one other defendant on trial; I am not sure yet which one."

AMERICAN DIVER IS WRECKED BY BLOWUP

Commanding Officer and Several Petty Officers of Crew Are Instantly Killed

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

WASHINGTON, July 25—The navy department received news today of a disastrous explosion on board the United States submarine A-7, stationed at Cavite near Manila.

Lieut. Arnold Marcus, Machinist Mate H. E. Lang and K. A. Knox, Gunner's Mate O. Hopewell and Electrician J. M. Curry were instantly killed.

Lieutenant Marcus was in command of the submarine.

Several others were seriously burned.

A later despatch said the explosion appeared to be due to gas ignition within the submarine, though the cause has not been officially reported as such. Several were injured, including Chief Electrician Scharrin, Machinist Mate J. P. Hixon and Fireman A. G. Jacobus.

Lieutenant Marcus has been in the Asiatic station about two years. He was graduated in 1913 from the naval academy at Annapolis. His wife was with him in the Philippines. She was the daughter of a prominent newspaper man in Chicago.

GERMAN SUBMARINES SINK MANY VESSELS

Bag For Week Is Reported Over the Average

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

LONDON, July 25—Although the number of large vessels reported sunk by German submarines during the week ending last night continues to be below the average of the first three months of the unrestricted campaign, it runs considerably above the average reported during the past several weeks, twenty-one vessels over 1000 tons burden, having been lost in the war zone. Three smaller vessels were also torpedoed and one fishing boat went to swell the German bag for the week.

SIXTY-TWO MINERS KILLED BY EXPLOSION

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

SYDNEY, Nova Scotia, July 25—Sixty-two miners were killed here yesterday by an explosion which took place in the mine of the Dominion Coal Company.

Already thirty-two mangled bodies have been brought to the surface by the shifts of rescuers who are making heroic efforts to reach any survivors who may be left in the workings. Many of the rescuing crew were overcome by the gases engendered by the explosion and had themselves to be saved by their comrades, who brought them out of the mine at the risk of their own lives. The cause of the explosion has not yet been determined.

SOCIALIST LENINE ORDERED EXECUTED

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

NEW YORK, July 25—The Russian information bureau here announces that the arrest of Socialist Lenine has been ordered, and that if convicted he will be shot as a spy. Lenine is credited with being responsible for much of the disaffection among the troops and the dissemination of pro-German doctrines throughout the country.

ALLIES HOLD GREAT WAR CONFERENCE

Representatives of Every Nation Engaged in Conflict With the Huns Meet in Paris On Third Anniversary of Russia's Mobilization and Plan For Carrying On Struggle To Victory

GREATEST SECRECY IS OBSERVED BY CONCLAVE

We Will Fight On Until the Teutons Are Beaten, Declares French Minister of Finance Ribot, Who Says Accession of Greece To Cause Has Greatly Modified Balkan Situation

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

PARIS, July 26—Yesterday, the third anniversary of the day when Russia began mobilizing her army as a warning to Austria and the third anniversary of the sending to Vienna of the Serbian reply to the ultimatum which launched Europe upon the present bloody war, the representatives of the Allied Powers met here for a war conference and for a review of the situation.

Every nation opposing the Central Powers is represented by one or more of its notable men, with Finance Minister Ribot presiding over the deliberations.

The greatest secrecy is being observed and every precaution has been taken to keep from leaking out any information which might prove of benefit to the enemy against which nearly all the civilized nations of the world are arrayed.

The most profound confidence in ultimate victory over the exponents of Prussian kultur was expressed at the opening session, the feature of the conclave being an address by Charles Ribot, French minister of finance, in which he expressed the firm intention of the Allies to fight the war out to a victorious conclusion.

"The accession of Greece to our ranks," said Monsieur Ribot, "has greatly modified the situation in the Balkans and removed one of the principal causes of worry to us. With Greece now enrolled under the standard of civilization against the barbarous Hun, every nation of the Balkans is represented here with us."

"Three years of the most frightful warfare in the history of the world," continued the French minister of finance, "have not weakened France in her firm desire to go on with the struggle until victory perches on our banners. We must win the war, and we shall fight on unflinchingly until we do."

RED CROSS TO SPEND MILLION AND HALF

Will Buy Food and Clothing For Soldiers and Civilians

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

WASHINGTON, July 25—The Red Cross yesterday announced that it has appropriated \$1,500,000 to purchase food stuffs for civilians and soldiers in France during this coming winter.

BRITISH SUBMARINE IS SUNK BY HUN U-BOAT

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

BERLIN, July 26—A U-boat is reported to have sunk the British submarine C-34. Only one of the crew is reported saved, and is being held prisoner on board the diver.

MEN DRAFTED ARE BEING EXAMINED BY LOCAL BOARDS

Large Proportion of Great Army Being Raised To Fight the Huns Expected To Be Selected By First of Month

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

WASHINGTON, July 26—Local draft boards throughout the country, appointed to examine those drafted last week for military service under the Selective Draft Act, are already commencing examination those whose names were drawn in the great draft.

The name of those boards has been changed; instead of being known as exemption boards, as they were first called, they are to be known as selection boards. Their duty is to examine all drawn for service and pass upon whether or not those persons should be rejected or taken into the great army which the United States is raising from among its citizenry to fight the Huns. All claims for exemption are made to them and they pass upon the merits of such claims.

It is believed that a considerable proportion of the draft army will have been passed upon and selected before the first of August.

DEBT PRESSURE IN BERLIN TREMENDOUS

Berliners Are Reported To Be Hungry and Weary of the Continued Drain of the War

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

BERLIN, July 25—A correspondent of the National Tidende, a German newspaper, attributes the ever-increasing accumulation of war debts as the principal factor in the agitation for immediate peace that is now sweeping through Germany.

Prominent Germans admit that the results of the much-touted submarine campaign are slower than planned for. Von Hindenburg has confessed that lack of men prevents carrying out any extensive offensive, despite the fact that the Russians in eastern Galicia have suffered a crushing defeat.

Berliners look gaunt and hungry, but healthy. Many of the children of the city have been sent to the country owing to shortage of foodstuffs. Vegetables have almost entirely disappeared owing to the drought, only lemons and onions being fairly plentiful in the markets.

CANADA TO HAVE INCOME TAX LAW

Will Be Modeled On That Now in Effect in United States and Will Yield Huge Sum

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

OTTAWA, Canada, July 26—Following the precedent set by the United States congress, the lower house of the Dominion parliament unanimously adopted yesterday the government proposals for the imposition of an income tax.

As adopted the bill allows an exemption of \$2000 for unmarried men and of \$3000 for married men, the same as the American law. Upon all incomes in excess of the amounts mentioned, a tax of four per cent is to be levied on the excess. Corporations are to be taxed four per cent upon all incomes over \$2000.

It is estimated that the revenue which will be derived from the income tax will aggregate more than \$15,000,000.

AVIATION STATION PLANS ARE APPROVED

Land For Hangars Will Be Cleared At Once

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

Washington has approved the plans for the Ford Island aviation station, details of which were printed in The Advertiser some days ago. Word that the contract for the twenty-five acres of land needed for the immediate work of the station, the site for the four hangars that are planned and the landing places for the planes, have been approved by the department in Washington was received at the local headquarters yesterday morning.

Under this contract the land needed for the hangars will be cleared of the case that is now standing, probably by the Oahu Sugar Company, while the drop on land not immediately needed will be allowed to mature.

Material for the hangars is already on the ground, and surveyors are to be set to work today to map the island and to make deep water soundings of the waters surrounding. Work on the hangars will start within a week or ten days.

JAPANESE MISSION TO DISCUSS ONLY QUESTION OF WAR

Baron Ishii Will Not Refer To Lansing's Note To China, Which Aroused the Ire of Nipponese

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

TOKIO, July 25—The Japanese mission to the United States, which is to leave soon for Washington, will take up with the American government questions dealing only with the present war and there will be no attempt to bring up for conversation or settlement any of the other questions more or less pending that concern only Japanese-American relations.

Baron Ishii will not refer in any way to the recent note to China sent by Secretary Lansing, which the Japanese press resented as an American infringement of the Far Eastern Monroe Doctrine and as a move of the United States to ignore the Japanese claim of paramountcy in Chinese affairs.

It is believed that the principal matter to be discussed is Japan's offer to devote her warships to a policing of the Pacific Ocean, thus freeing the American naval forces in the Pacific for duty in the Atlantic war zone. The Japanese fleet is at the disposal of the United States for the patrolling and policing of American Pacific waters.

RUSSIA IS FILLED WITH CRIPPLES

Woman Cabinet Member Says Hundreds of Thousands of Broken Men Need Aid

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

NEW YORK, July 26—There are hundreds of thousands of Russian cripples in Russia who have returned maimed and broken from the eastern front and who are in urgent need of aid, according to a statement made here yesterday by Countess C. V. Parina, the first woman who ever occupied a position in Russia as a member of the cabinet.

Countess Parina is assistant minister of social welfare in the new Russian republic. She has come to the United States for the purpose of procuring aid for the countless victims of Hunnish barbarity.

The wounded are pouring back from the front in a great and steadily increasing stream, the countess said. Many thousands of them are so terribly crippled that they are practically helpless and must become public charges. They are heroes whom it is the duty of others to care for.

Work on behalf of these unfortunates, the countess says, should be made a great constructive force which should have for its aim not only the care of the victims of Prussian kultur, but also the upbuilding of higher social ideals in the new and tempest-tossed republic.

Among the plans being worked out by the department of social welfare, the woman cabinet minister added, is the proper raising of the children of wounded soldiers. They must be taught trades, be educated and made worthy citizens of the new Russia.

PERSHING TROOPS DIGGING TRENCHES

Fast Learning Fine Points of Warfare In Which They Will Soon Be Engaged

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

AMERICAN CAMP IN FRANCE, July 26—The American troops of the expeditionary force under command of General Pershing are fast learning the fine points of trench warfare and are rapidly fitting themselves in readiness to take their place in the line opposed the hordes of the Kaiserbund.

The soldiers are now digging trenches which are duplicates of those constructed by the French for actual warfare, and by the time they are called upon to march to the front they will be well versed in this style of fighting.

The marines are taking lessons in the handling of barbed wire and are constructing barbed wire entanglements around their portion of the camp.

FOUR GERMAN SPIES ARE ARRESTED FOR SIGNALLING

(By the Associated Press)

AUCKLAND, New Zealand, June 18—News of the arrest of four German spies at Apia, Samoa, while in the act of signalling to sea from a lighthouse, has been received here. Three of them were sent to an internment camp and the other was ordered to trial by court martial.

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GUNS TURNED UPON REBELS BY RUSSIANS

Entire Division of Disloyal Soldiers Blown to Bits By Loyal Artillerymen Exasperated By Traitorous Taunts and Acting Under Orders of General Korniloff

SLAVS MAKING STAND ON PORTIONS OF FRONT

In Other Sectors They Are Falling Back Voluntarily and Without Pressure From the Teutons — One German Regiment Cut Off By Cycle Corps and Virtually Annihilated

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

PETROGRAD, July 26—Exasperated at the disloyalty shown by many of the troops of the Eleventh Army and in revenge for the taunts and insults which the extremists have been heaping for days upon the loyalists in the army, particularly upon the artillerymen, the latter yesterday, acting under the instructions of General Korniloff to take drastic measures against traitors, turned their guns upon the disloyal division.

The artillery, firing at point blank range, literally blew to pieces the infantry troops of the disloyal division, mowing the men down and scattering their bodies in shreds.

The gunners have been silently enduring the insults of the extremists for weeks, steadfastly adhering in their loyalty to the provisional government and resisting the pressure of the disloyal in the efforts made to induce them to abandon their guns and retire. The artillerymen claim that for four months they have been singled out for abuse, which they submitted to rather than provoke internecine strife in the face of the enemy. The orders of their general to show no mercy to rebels gave them the opportunity for revenge they had been seeking, however, and they took bloody advantage of it.

The despatches from the front indicate that in places the Russians are making a desperate stand and even advancing, while on other sectors the Slavs are falling back voluntarily and without pressure. Three infantry divisions northwest of Romanovki have been withdrawn to new positions in the rear to escape being flanked, while west of the Stripa the Germans have penetrated the Russian positions near Olesha. Their advance here was too rapid, however, and one regiment was cut off by the Russian cyclist corps and practically annihilated.

BRITISH AVIATORS RAID GERMAN BASES

Drop Bombs Successfully On Zebruggo and Bruges

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

LONDON, July 26—A most successful raid by British aviators has been carried out against the German submarine bases on the Belgian coast, according to despatches which come by way of Amsterdam.

The British flyers, say these despatches, flew over Zebruggo and Bruges, showering the docks and naval repair shops there with high explosive bombs. Many hits were registered and there were numerous heavy explosions, followed by fires.