

U. S. PREPARED FOR ONE MORE YEAR OF WAR

Both Sides Expect Supreme Test of Strength in 1918

NO HOPE OF EARLY PEACE

Washington Only Mildly Interested in Contents of Germany's Reply to Pope

By a Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.

Publication of Germany's reply to the Pope is being awaited in Washington with only mild interest.

Both sides are preparing for this supreme test of strength with every ounce of reserve energy their war industries possess.

UNITED STATES SETS THE PACE

It is in realization of what the next year promises in a military way that the Allies are steadily expanding the scope of their preparations.

It is estimated by the President's advisers that by early next summer the force of Americans participating in the military operations of the war will begin to make itself felt.

While the United States is not springing conspicuously in the first of these, there is every indication that she will gradually assume a more and more important place at the military round table.

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JAMES GIORDANO Philadelphia boy, probably the youngest soldier in the United States Army, who was shot and killed in an expansion camp at Syracuse, N. Y. He was not yet fifteen years old.

PHILADELPHIA BOY SOLDIER KILLED IN CAMP

Lad of 15, Probably Youngest Recruit in Army, Accidentally Shot by Comrade

James Giordano, whose family lives at 843 Montross street, a private in the machine-gun company of a provisional battalion of the Sixteenth United States Infantry, was accidentally shot and fatally wounded at the expansion camp at Syracuse, N. Y.

First reports to the hospital authorities and police were that Giordano was shot down while engaged in a game of cards. According to the statement of the military officers, careless handling of a revolver by Mongon was responsible for the soldier's death.

James ran away from home last December Day in order to join the army. He always said he wanted to fight for the Red, White and Blue. He had been recently promoted to corporal.

24,000 MEN STRIKE IN COAST SHIPYARDS

Situation Serious at San Francisco, but Improvement Is Shown at Seattle

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 17. A strike of 24,000 ironworkers employed in the shipyards of San Francisco and the bay cities began officially at 9 a. m. today.

At the Union Iron Works, the largest plant in this section, hundreds of men who had entered the plant at 8 o'clock began to walk out before 9, and for the first time in the plant's history not a bit of work was done.

Seattle, Sept. 17. Hope for a settlement of the lumber and shipyard strike in Washington lies today in a meeting at Tacoma, of the State Council for Defense.

The shipyard strike situation is clearing up, with the men returning to work at the largest plant here, following a settlement of the controversy.

The Continuation of the Story "Germany, the Next Republic?" by Carl W. Ackerman is printed on Page 18

BONDS SNAPPED UP IN 'COUNTER' SALE

Expect Larger Part of City's \$7,275,700 Issue Taken Before Day Ends

BUYERS COME EARLY

Premiums Forsworn in Order to Avoid Competition With Second Liberty Loan

Banking houses, business concerns and private individuals of large and small means today displayed their confidence in Philadelphia by subscribing for the bonds "sold over the counter" by City Treasurer McCooch.

The subscriptions during the first hour amounted to more than a half million dollars. Two lots of \$100,000 each were taken by banking institutions, and another lot of \$50,000 was subscribed by the trustees of the estate of the late Israel W. Durham.

The letting is from loans authorized May 6, 1915, and June 29, 1916. The sale of the bonds, which carry a 4 per cent interest and run for thirty years, was only decided upon after most careful survey of the financial situation and when the exhausted condition of the general loan fund made it imperative that money be found to complete street and other improvements.

That the municipal financiers acted wisely in placing the bonds on the market at this time was proved today by the rapidity with which the par offer was snapped up by persons in every walk of life.

This is the first time that bonds have been sold in this way under the present Administration and it was with feeling of uncertainty that the plan was put into effect.

GERMAN EDITORS APPLY FOR BAIL Werner and Darrow in Federal Court After Surrendering to Marshal

JUDGE DEFERS DECISION

After surrendering to United States Marshal Frank J. Noonan this morning, Louis Werner, editor-in-chief, and Dr. Martin Darrow, managing editor of the Philadelphia Tageblatt, applied to Judge Dickinson in the Federal court to be admitted to bail pending trial on charges of treason, for which they were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury on Saturday.

While the maximum penalty for treason is death, the law leaves with the court the discretion of admitting to bail persons accused of the gravest offense against the country in wartime, dependent upon the facts in the case.

At the conclusion of an argument between United States District Attorney Kane and William A. Gray, counsel for the accused editors, Judge Dickinson announced that he would defer his decision until he had examined the indictments to ascertain how grave is the offense charged against Werner and Darrow.

Mr. Gray countered with a motion on behalf of Werner and Darrow to have them admitted on \$10,000 bail.

The outcome of the hearing was the tentative postponement of the arraignment of the men until next Thursday morning.

That an attack will be made upon the legality of the treason indictment was indicated by Mr. Gray in his argument for the fixing of bail.

Mr. Gray intimated that the treason charge against Werner and Darrow was not of such enormity as would warrant the death penalty.

When Werner was questioned as to his citizenship, he informed the court that two of his brothers had fought on the Union side in the Civil war, and two of his cousins were killed in the Battle of Gettysburg and were buried in that historic spot.

CLEMENCEAU SEES SAMMEES IN CAMP

Distinguished Statesman Guest of Pershing's Officers and Men

BIDS SOLDIERS WELCOME

Gratitude of Nation for America's Timely Aid Expressed in Graceful Speech

By HENRI BAZIN

Staff Correspondent of the Evening Ledger with the American Army in France

AMERICAN FIELD HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Sept. 17.

Georges Clemenceau, famous statesman and publicist, was the guest of honor at the field-day stunts of the second battalion of a certain American infantry regiment yesterday.

"I feel honored at this privilege. I know your country, having entered Richmond with General Grant and having lived in the United States until 1895. I have always greatly admired America and am impressed by the presence of this American army in France in defense of the liberty and rights of civilization against barbarians.

"You have come here with disinterested motives, not because you were compelled to come, but because you wished to. Your nation always had the love, friendship and gratitude of France. Now you are at home here, because every French house is open to you. You are not like any other nation, since your motives are devoid of the prompting of personal interests, but are filled with high ideals.

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QUICK NEWS

KENT ISLANDERS WIN PROVING GROUND FIGHT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—The War Department's plan to make an artillery proving ground of Kent Island, Chesapeake Bay, was killed today when Representative Sisson, Mississippi, struck it from the urgent deficiency bill on point of order.

BANQUET FOR DRAFTED MEN

A banquet will be given to men drafted for the National Army in the Eighteenth District. The feast will be held in Masonic Hall, Frankford, as soon as word is received as to the number of men needed and the date they are to go.

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ALEXIEFF ENDS LIFE; KERENSKY FOILS ENEMIES

Russian Chief of Staff Commits Suicide, Copenhagen Hears

REPUBLIC PROCLAIMED

Premier's Bold Step Puts End to Propaganda Fostered by German Agents

By a Staff Correspondent

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 17.

General Alexieff, chief of staff of the Russian army, has committed suicide by shooting himself, according to a Petrograd dispatch to the Sydsvenska Dagblad today.

The shooting took place following an interview which General Alexieff had with Premier Kerensky, the dispatch stated.

It was General Alexieff who went to General Korniloff's headquarters and put the revolutionary leader under arrest last week. Alexieff was formerly commander-in-chief of the Russian armies.

Having subdued the armed disposition in its conflict, the provisional Government moved rapidly today in settlement of political disputes.

Formal proclamation of Russia as a republic, as issued by Premier Kerensky, destroyed a growing propaganda, traceable to German agents, that Kerensky was planning a dictatorship.

The constitutional convention, which is to devise the machinery of the Russian Government, has already been called for September 21. There were indications today, however, that four before this time some sort of representative Russian assembly would outline and delegate powers to prevent any possibility of the misunderstanding which led to the Korniloff revolt.

The Petrograd Council of Workmen and Soldiers formally recommended such a representative assembly to be convened September 25 to set up a definite power to lead the country until the constitutional convention shall decide upon a complete system of Government.

In the meantime Kerensky's reorganized cabinet appears likely to have more complete support from various factions than the previous ministries have been able to muster.

Evidence of the loyalty of the Russian armies is now overwhelming. Preliminary reports from the commission investigating Korniloff's revolt indicate the rebellious troops were deceived into belief they were marching against German plotters. Scores of officers are already in custody.

General Kaledines is still at large and at the head of a rebel movement; but his forces are not large and his own troops—the Don Cossacks—insist they are loyal to Russia, apparently only desirous of saving their commander from any punishment before formally surrendering.

Attorney General Shabovskiy, chief procurator of the army and navy, has been appointed president of the special commission which is to investigate the mutiny of General Korniloff and his aids. He has left for the front.

The Government is determined to frustrate any attempt of the Bolsheviks and the Maximalists to interfere with the newly instituted Government. Their principal helpers, the Novaya Jireu and the Balotichky, have been suppressed.

MAKE-UP OF CABINET The following official communication was issued:

Pending the definite constitution of a Cabinet and in view of the present extraordinary circumstances, all affairs

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair tonight and Tuesday; slightly warmer Tuesday; gentle northerly winds.

LENGTH OF DAY Sun rises, 5:52 a. m. 1:20 a. m. 6:07 p. m. DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES CHRISTNUT STRIKE High water, 1:55 a. m. Low water, 5:11 a. m. Low water, 4:18 p. m. High water, 7:34 p. m.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR