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HAS QUICK WAY TO FINISH WAR

United States Preparing to Deliver Decisive Blow, Say Secretaries.

Reassurances of the most startling character were revealed yesterday in confidence to newspaper correspondents by Secretaries Daniels and Baker. The men who have been covering these departments have for several days been impressed with an indefinite sort of pessimism. Yesterday the two secretaries laid the cards on the table, or rather they permitted the correspondents to look over their shoulders. As a result almost every correspondent came away with this impression:

The United States has an ace in the hole. So striking are the hands which the two combatant Cabinet officers are holding that the correspondents made a strong plea to print some of the details. For the present this has been refused. But a conference of the military chiefs will be held within a few days, and as a result the American people may have set before them a frank statement of how their leaders have prepared the way for them to go to war.

Great Progress Made. This much can be said: Where many observers have looked for the greatest difficulties the more the progress has been made. Further preparations are on a scale, the completeness of which has hitherto only been hoped for. The two secretaries permitted to be subjected to a searching series of questions. To almost all they gave frank answers with the injunction that their answers must not be made public. To some questions they refused an answer even to the trusted corps of correspondents.

Secretary Baker made it plain that the difficulties are expected in the matter of keeping our first million men recruited to the authorized strength. Once the first and second increments of a half million each are raised under the conscription act, Secretary Baker believes there is no statutory bar to going on with the conscription for depot battalions from which the men in the first million men will be drafted.

That indicates the size of the problem the United States is facing. It means that the war chiefs are planning for at least three years of war. But the details which were told yesterday make it evident that the preparations will be adequate. Further, these details show that many more men will be in France than have been expected. It is very much earlier date than has hitherto been expected.

American Flag Flies From German Ship

The American flag was yesterday run up on the great steamer *Vaterland*. She is ready for sea. It has been estimated that she can carry 20,000 troops. A naval officer and crew went aboard and hoisted the ensign and the navy commission pennant. Work on the restoration of the fifteen other interned German liners sailed after the declaration of war is rapidly proceeding.

NEW AIRPLANE PLAN ADVANCED

Representative Would Put Construction of Machines Under Secretaries.

Representative Hulbert, of New York, yesterday submitted to the Senate Committee on Military Affairs which has under consideration the Sheppard-Hulbert bill creating a Department of Aeronautics a substitute for that measure, which it is believed will go far toward overcoming opposition to it based on the unwillingness to create a new Cabinet office.

Senator Sheppard, who introduced the original bill to the Upper House is satisfied to have the substitute offered. "I am looking only for results," said Mr. Hulbert. "I think we can get those results quicker by meeting at the start the objections which have been prepared to expect from quarters which look with no favor upon any move threatening their particular authority."

Opposition to Bill. Mr. Hulbert would not indicate the direction from which he had been earned opposition to the bill creating the Department of Aeronautics. A member of the subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs who was present at all the hearings on the Aeronautics Department was not so tactful. The same question which Mr. Hulbert would not answer brought forth the assertion that both the War and Navy Departments were steadfast against any effort to form a new department.

Different Plan Provided For War Risk Payments

Payment for policies on the lives of masters, officers and seamen of American merchantmen may hereafter be made in monthly installments without interest, or a lump sum at the option of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, according to an announcement by Secretary McAdoo yesterday.

HARVARD CLUB BANS DRINK

New York, July 27.—Drinks full of fizz and pop but sans alcohol will in future furnish inspiration to the members of the Harvard Club of New York.

THEY SEEM TO HAVE FORGOTTEN WHAT THEY WERE PUT THERE FOR



DENES GERMANS MISTREAT FOREIGNERS WISHING TO LEAVE FOR OTHER COUNTRIES

Woman Writer Says She Experienced No Difficulty in Twenty-six-Day Trip from Berlin to New York.

The Last Woman to Arrive in the U. S. from Germany. (Copyright, 1917, by International News Service.) New York, July 27.—Soldiers, soldiers, soldiers. That was the last impression I had of Germany when I left Berlin on the first day of this present month of July.

It was two years ago that I got off at the Stettiner Station in Berlin when I went to Germany on my last visit during the war. I wondered then what was the matter that thousands of soldiers were everywhere; dashing officers, common soldiers with packs on their backs—a seething field-gray mass.

GOVERNMENT AGENTS TO CATCH SLACKERS

Secret Service Men Will Round Up Draft Dodgers.

"Rounding up every slacker who either has failed to register, or, having registered, has sought to evade the consequences by giving a fictitious name or address, will be the simplest task the Secret Service men have ever been called on to perform," said one of the highest officials in the Department of Justice yesterday.

DISPUTE HALTS WAR FOOD BILL

Senate and House Members Fail to Reach Conference Agreement.

Senate and House conferees upon the food control bill are at loggerheads over whether Herbert C. Hoover or a board of three shall administer the food supervision. The House conferees are holding out for Hoover. The Senate members say they are committed to the board, one member of which shall be a farmer.

Provision Favored. Sentiment is said to be favorable for eliminating the Smoot amendment directing the President to commandeer all distilled spirits in bond, and paying for them the cost, plus 10 per cent. Allowing the President authority to suspend manufacture or limit alcohol in beer and wine manufacture.

EXPECTS WAR ARMY IN ANOTHER WEEK

Secretary Baker Says Enlistments Will Reduce State Draft Quotas.

In another week voluntary enlistments will fill the regular army, according to estimates made yesterday. In this connection, Secretary Baker explained that the voluntary contributions of various localities to the regulars, National Guards and navy would come in for consideration in the allotments of the quotas for the second draft.

Red Cross Plans to Sell Original Draft Numbers

The original numbers used in drawing the new national army have been turned over to the Red Cross by Provost Marshal General Crowder for sale as souvenirs, the proceeds to be turned into the Red Cross fund. The first eight ever will be put back in the box, and placed in Independence Hall, Philadelphia, beside the Liberty Bell. The box has been donated for this purpose by its owner, Charles R. Morris, a veteran War Department clerk.

JURY INDICTS GOV. FERGUSON

Texas Executive Accused of Misapplying Funds of the State.

Austin, Tex., July 27.—Governor James F. Ferguson was today indicted on the grand jury of this county on nine counts, seven charging misapplication of public funds, one of embezzlement and one of diversion of public funds. He gave bond in the amount of \$5,000 in one case and \$1,000 in each of the other cases.

TREASURY FROWNS ON MEXICAN LOAN

Guatemala Expected to Protest Against Credit to Carranza.

The fate of the proposed loan of \$100,000,000 to Mexico practically was sealed yesterday when it became known that the Treasury Department would not look favorably upon any such financing scheme at this time. It also became apparent that Guatemala already is opposing the loan. The affair would do so at an early date with a plea against the extension of any credit to Carranza and against the lifting of the embargo on munitions.

REFUSES LIBERTY BONDS AS SURETY

U. S. Attorney Turns Down Goldman-Berkman Offer.

New York, July 27.—Liberty bonds are not acceptable as surety for Emma Goldman, one of the coterie convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States, the ruling made today when Harry Weinberger, attorney for Miss Goldman; Alexander Berkman, Louis Kramer and Morris Becker offered to give \$25,000 of the bonds in bail.

Members of Parliament To Fight Fistic Duel

London, July 27.—Pemberton Billing, according to the Evening Standard, has challenged Major Archer Shee to a 20-round boxing match at the National Sporting Club as a means of settling the encounter. The fight is in the palace yard. Billing suggests the loser pay \$50 to the Red Cross. The two met outside the Parliament buildings at the end of the session and several blows were struck.

ALLIES TO QUIT GREECE; KAISER STILL DRIVES ON

Russians Fall Back on Eastern Front, Despite Efforts of Kerensky to Check German Assault. Several Towns Captured.

(By the International News Service.) Paris, July 27.—Resumption of activity in Flanders is one of the outstanding developments on the western front. After more than four days of artillery hurricanes the "feeling out" process has now begun, with the British on the offensive. The possibility that this activity heralds a coastal drive is eagerly discussed.

Meanwhile, the German Crown Prince is nursing another sore place as a result of his latest smash against the French on the Aisne front. His complete failure, despite the tremendous preparations which had been made for it and the great force with which it was delivered, are plain indications to military observers that the line here is unbreakable. The fact apparently is also becoming evident to the Crown Prince, as he has made no grand assault.

The French have now regained completely all the positions which they lost in the Craonne, Calonne and Casemates plateaus in the face of the heavy German attacks. They have also broken up attempts of the Teutons to pierce their lines in the Champagne region of Moronvilliers. The main British activity in feeling out the German lines in Flanders was the temporary capture of La Bassée, which was held for several days. They later withdrew in the face of a counter-attack but their object had been attained. They also carried out a raid on the German lines near Valenciennes.

Russian Crisis Threatened. London, July 27.—The Russian situation is fast approaching a crisis. For two days the Russian government has been in the streets of Petrograd. Evidence accumulates that a vast counter-revolution designed to revive the monarchy has been launched. Premier Kerensky expressed determination that the republic shall not die and the hard-bought freedom be lost to the people. Today, according to reports, Kerensky has been advised to discontinue the counter-revolution.

Russian Hazard Debate. London, July 27.—The delegates from the Russian Soldiers' and Workers' Congresses seated in the distinguished strangers' gallery of the House of Commons, are not very much impressed with the exponents of peace and sympathy with the Reichstag. The House was virtually empty when Ramsay MacDonald, Socialist member for Leicester, arose to speak on his resolution declaring that the German Reichstag resolution favoring peace by an understanding expressed the principles for which Great Britain should stand.

TEN MILLION NEEDED TO SUPPORT ARMY

Men at Home Must Work for Soldiers' Benefit.

By DANIEL DILLON, International Staff Correspondent. American Base in France, July 27.—(Delayed)—A million American soldiers in France means 10,000,000 American hands behind the line and at home engaged in supporting the effort. This estimate of high military officials gives an idea of the magnitude of the job facing the United States in the war. Apparently it will be a year before the money is organized sufficiently to make an impression. Unless the government at Washington abandons politics and his speed is secured, the line of the job of finally defeating Germany will be further and further delayed.

NEW RECORD ANNOUNCED IN GOLD SHIPMENTS HERE

Figures announced yesterday show that the imports of gold into the United States in the fiscal year just closed far exceed the total of any previous year. The total movement of gold and silver between the United States and foreign countries during the fiscal year involved \$1,282,359,746. Imports of gold amounted to \$477,178,008. Exports of silver increased, but as it is produced in great quantities here, and sold abroad as is any other commercial commodity, the excess has no special significance.

DANIELS COMMENDS SAILOR. David M. Higgins, second-class seaman on the U. S. S. Georgia, has been commended for gallantry by Secretary Daniels. It was announced yesterday that Higgins maintained a dance hall and cabaret show where liquor is sold.

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STRIKE ORDER ISSUED. Chicago, July 27.—All efforts to settle the switchmen's strike on nineteen Chicago railroads was abandoned late tonight. One thousand police were ordered assembled to be used if necessary when the strike goes into effect at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning.

\$1200 to Niggers Falls and Return. Baltimore and Ohio from Washington, D. C., to Niggers Falls, Md., stop-over, returning within 11 days.—Adv.

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BELIEVES KITCHENER ALIVE. London, July 27.—According to the Morning Post, Mrs. Parker, sister of Lord Kitchener, in opening the charity fête at Hastings, said it was her firm belief he is still alive and would one day return.

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