



PUSH NAVY RECRUITING; GUARD UNITS MOBILIZE

COUNTRY PUT ON WAR BASIS BY PRESIDENT

Two New Military Departments In Formation; Full Strength of Navy Needed to Put Reserve Into Readiness For Action; National Guard Will do Home Duty to Protect Industry and Commercial Lines

Washington, March 26.—Naval recruiting officers throughout the country, under orders from President Wilson, to-day redoubled their efforts to bring the navy up to its full authorized strength of 87,000 enlisted men.

Meantime thirty-two regiments of National Guard troops, six battalions and several detached companies in various states were reassembling to act as national police in important districts.

Arrangements also were being made to create, on May 1, two new military departments on the Atlantic coast.

All three steps were in accordance with orders issued yesterday by the President to put the nation on a war footing.

About twenty thousand men will have to be enrolled at once in order to bring the Navy up to the required strength. The men will be used to man the reserve ships.

The creation of two new military departments was ordered as a means of dividing the immense responsibility now devolving upon the commander and staff of the eastern department.

Major General Leonard Wood, now in command of the department of the east, is transferred to the newly-created southeastern department, with headquarters at Charleston, S. C., and Major General J. Franklin Bell, in command of the western department, is transferred to the eastern department with headquarters at Governor's Island.

Major General Hunter Liggett, in command of the department of the Philippines, is transferred to the western department, with headquarters at San Francisco and Brigadier General Clarence R. Edwards, in command of the department of the Panama Canal zone, to the northwestern department, with headquarters at Boston.

Major General Barr and Pershing will retain command of the central and southern departments, respectively.

National Guard organizations will be assigned to guard industrial plants and other property, public or private, in their respective States in case of war.

SEC. DANIELS ASKS TELEGRAPH TO AID RECRUITING NAVY

To the Editor of the TELEGRAPH: WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—"The President last night signed an executive order directing that the authorized enlisted strength of the Navy be increased to eighty-seven thousand. He was authorized by Congress, in case of emergency to direct increases in enlistment. New ships and ships in reserve are being fully commissioned as rapidly as possible and the need is imperative for a larger enlistment, to man them.

"Will you not emphasize the need by giving special prominence on the first page of your paper, to the President's order, and also by making an editorial appeal for new recruits for the Navy.

"The Navy offers exceptional advantages to young men of stuff and ambition to serve in the first line for national defense.

"In this emergency you have the opportunity and the privilege of performing this service, and I am confidently appealing to you for your cordial and helpful co-operation.

"JOSEPHUS DANIELS."

THE PRESIDENT'S ORDER

"By virtue of the authority vested in the President by the act of Congress approved August 29, 1916, entitled 'an act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917, and for other purposes,' it is hereby directed that the authorized enlisted strength of the navy be increased to 87,000 men."

(Signed) "WOODROW WILSON."

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Legislators to Draft Plan to Meet War Emergency Actions

The meeting of the State Economy and Efficiency Commission fixed for this afternoon has been canceled until tomorrow. Governor Brumbaugh will not be able to return to the city until later in the day and the conference planned on appropriations, defense and other matters will be held to-morrow, although the Governor may meet informally some of the State officials and legislative leaders to-night.

Legislators were to-day making inquiries as to what would probably be required of the state in event of war with Germany and a general plan will be drafted to meet emergencies.

YOUNG RECRUITS FLOCK TO FLAG IN RESPONSE TO WILSON'S CALL

War Measures Here Hastened With Lightning Rapidity; Husband and Wife Try to Join Colors; Many Pathetic Scenes

LOCAL YOUTH ENLISTS IN AERIAL BRANCH

Ten Minutes After New Order is Posted Hill Boy is Accepted; Patriotic West Fairview Father Brings 16-Year-Old Son Here

War measures are progressing in Harrisburg with lightning-like rapidity. Young men are flocking to the naval and army recruiting stations eager to enlist in the service and fight for their flag.

Women have also made application and one man and his wife have both offered their service.

Recruiting officers are working full force and Chief Quartermaster W. E. Quirk, of the naval recruiting office, expects to be reinforced by several men from the naval militia to assist in the work here.

Local business houses are giving their support to the measure and all recruiting records are expected to be broken within the next few days.

Throng Recruiting Offices

Young men of Harrisburg are responding readily to the call of President Wilson for 19,000 men to increase the enlisted strength of the navy to 87,000. The local recruiting office, 303 Berzner building, in charge of Chief Quartermaster W. E. Quirk, was thronged this morning with young men eager to serve their country.

While a great many have made application for enlistment here, Quartermaster Quirk stated that more are needed and the demand is greater than can be supplied with the present number of applicants. It makes an appeal to the young men of Harrisburg to apply at once.

Enlists For Aerial Arm

Quartermaster Quirk received an order from Washington this morning, authorizing him to enlist men for aviation duty. Ten minutes after he had received the orders and posted them in

City Manager Plan Warmly Supported by Altoona Businessmen

Altoona, Pa., March 26.—Work has been started by the committee of fifty-eight in boosting the mass meeting soon to be held at which plans for a city manager for Altoona will be discussed. The plan is to hold a mass meeting and select able citizens as candidates for City Commissioner, who will pledge themselves to accept only \$500 a year each, devoting the other \$2,000, which each will receive, to paying a city manager.

Counsel For Hardscrabble Property Owners to Frame Issue With City Solicitor

Counsel for a number of property owners in the "Hardscrabble" district, who appeared at an order of viewings, will meet later in the week with City Solicitor John E. Fox to frame an issue so that the cases can be listed for trial before a jury.

Newsboys Are Ordered Not to Enter Bar-rooms

Chief of Police J. Edward Wetzel this morning issued an order directing newsboys not to enter barrooms in search of customers. They will still be allowed to sell papers in the lobby of hotels, but never in the bar.

GERMANS RUSH MEN EAST FOR BIG NEW DRIVE ON RUSSIA

Hindenburg Plans to Deliver Tremendous Blow in Attempt to Capture Petrograd and Overwhelm Country Before Recovery is Made From Unsettling Effects of Revolution; Duma Hears Army Will Stand Firm

London, March 26.—Special dispatches from Petrograd emphasize the seriousness of the situation arising from the German concentration on the Riga Dvinsk front with the apparently certain intention of attempting to break through to Petrograd. It is argued that the shortening of the German front in France is part of a plan to overwhelm Russia by a sudden and tremendous blow before the country can recover from the unsettling effects of the revolution.

According to the accounts of these correspondents internal conditions in Russia, notwithstanding the determination of the government and responsible leaders to conduct the war with energy, are disquieting. They say that time is needed to restore the discipline of the army and navy after the recent upheaval and they record incidents which are hindering progress in this direction. Among these is the movement of extremists to put the final overthrow of the Romanoffs, the bureaucrats and ruling classes generally in the forefront of all national effort.

This movement is indicated by the appearance in the Socialist newspaper, Pravda, of a resolution of the Socialist Democratic party's central committee inviting the soldiers to leave the trenches and go over to the Germans. It is asserted that this step would immediately evoke a fraternal response among the Germans and the war would promptly collapse, enabling the army and people to co-operate in overthrowing the ruling classes of Russia.

Some soldiers in Petrograd are said to have spent days wrangling over the wonderful promises held forth by the Socialist propaganda and to have stopped thinking about the war which they believe to be over.

Petrograd Calm

Petrograd, Sunday, March 26.—The news that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg was planning a campaign against Petrograd was received at the

U. S. REFUSES TO RATIFY TREATIES

Washington, March 26.—The State Department to-day made public its note to the German government refusing to reaffirm or extend the treaties of 1799 and 1828 on the ground that Germany already had done what constitutes "clear violations" of the agreements.

MARKET CLOSING HEAVY

New York, March 26.—Unfavorable crop reports caused renewed selling in the last hour, industrials and specialties, as well as railroads recording lowest prices of the day. The closing was heavy. Developments over the week-end bearing upon international conditions provoked general irregularity and some substantial losses in to-day's broad operations. Sales estimated at 800,000 shares.

TO BREAK GROUND FOR NEW BUILDING

Harrisburg.—Informal ceremonies will mark the ground breaking for the new United Evangelical Publishing House at Third and Reily streets to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. Bishop H. B. Hartzer, editor of The Evangelical, will be one of the speakers. Others will be the Rev. S. L. Wiest, of Millersville, and Bishop W. M. Stanford, editor of the Evangelical Sunday school literature. The new building is expected to be completed by October 1. It will be a two-story structure 210 feet long and 160 feet in width.

Washington, March 26.—Absolute equality of Jews in Russia with all others to hold property, to reside in any place, to serve in the army and navy, to participate in educational advantages and at the polls has been proclaimed officially.

Harrisburg.—The lowest bids to-day for a new patrol for the police department was received from the Harrisburg Automobile Company. The bid was \$1,700 for a Reo-4.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

John Henry Brooker, Dauphin, and Lottie Emeline Weaver, Halifax. George Henry Simmons, Dover township, York county, and Daisy Elizabeth Walker, Lewisburg. George William Houge and Myrtle May Clouser, Harrisburg.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled, probably light rain to-night and Tuesday; warmer to-night, with lowest temperature about 45 degrees.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy to-night and Tuesday; probably rain; warmer to-night; moderate south winds.

River

The main river and lower portion of the North Branch will rise slowly this afternoon and to-night and begin to fall Tuesday. All other streams of the Susquehanna river system will probably fall slowly. A stage of about 11 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Tuesday morning.

General Conditions

18 MORE STATES CALLED UPON TO MOBILIZE GUARD

Will Guard Postal and Commercial Channels Against Attack by Teutons

Washington, March 26.—Twenty additional complete infantry regiments and five additional separate battalions of National Guard troops have been ordered into the Federal service for the protection of property in the event of possible internal disorder.

The troops have been called out in eighteen western and middle western states not included in the list of similar orders made public yesterday.

The War Department's statement follows: "Following additional National Guard organizations have been called into the federal service for general purposes of police protection against possible interference with the postal, commercial and military channels and instrumentalities:

"Illinois—First, Fifth and Sixth regiments infantry; Indiana, Second regiment infantry; Iowa, First regiment infantry; Missouri, First and Third regiments infantry; Nebraska, Fourth regiment infantry; Minnesota, First regiment infantry; Michigan, Thirty-third regiment infantry; Wisconsin, Third regiment infantry; South Dakota, Third battalion of Fourth regiment infantry; North Dakota, Second battalion of First regiment infantry; Colorado, First and Second separate battalions infantry; Wyoming, Second separate battalion infantry; Ohio, Third and Sixth regiments infantry; Washington, Second regiment infantry; Oregon, Third regiment infantry; California, Second, Fifth and Seventh regiments infantry; California, Second, Fifth and Seventh regiments infantry."

HEAVED BEER BOTTLE

Charged with throwing a beer bottle at Louis Forster late Saturday night, John Horwath was arrested by Patrolman Shaffner and Foutz.

St. Louis, First Armed American Ship, Safely Across the Atlantic

Washington, March 26.—The American liner St. Louis, first armed American ship to cross the Atlantic has arrived safely at her destination, Secretary Daniels announced to-day.

ENGLAND TO CONTROL LIQUOR

London, March 26.—The Telegraph says that the committee appointed under the presidency of the home secretary to investigate the liquor trade has reported in favor of the state purchase and control of the business in England, Wales and Ireland. Scotland is excluded because of different conditions in that country. The report has not yet been considered by the cabinet.

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TRACTION SURVEY STARTED; AGENTS OF ARNOLD HERE

Move Started by the Telegraph Will Result in Big Improvement of Street Car Service

Harrisburg street car service is to-day under the examining eyes of experts sent here by Bion J. Arnold, the Chicago expert employed through the instrumentality of the HARRISBURG TELEGRAPH to make a survey of local trolley lines with the idea of improving the service.

Mr. Arnold has sent to Harrisburg his chief assistant, J. R. Bibbins, a street railways engineer of much experience, who has under him a corps of trained men who will make the necessary observations, count of passengers, method of handling, interference of automobiles and other traffic with the movements of street cars and gather such other information as will be necessary for the improvement of local conditions.

Mr. Bibbins, without the knowledge of the company or its employees, has been working here quietly day and night for the past few days and to-day made his presence known to President.

PARTY CLASH IS POSSIBLE WHEN CONGRESS MEETS

Serious Discord Threatens Democrats and Republicans in the House

Washington, D. C., March 26.—Many representatives here for the special session of Congress beginning next Monday believed to-day both Democrats and Republicans of the House may face serious discord within their respective ranks over the House organization.

So-called "wet" Democrats threaten retaliation for passage of prohibition legislation at the last session, and Northern Democrats are opposed to the retention of such a large proportion of Southern Democrats at the heads of important committees.

Progressive Republicans also are known to be hostile to many "regular" Republican chairmanships under the committee rule if their party develops sufficient strength to organize the House. Many observers thought the disaffect in ranks of both parties might cause abolition of the seniority rule.

Democrats will caucus Friday and Republicans Saturday to consider organization plans. The five independent members also will meet some time this week.

FIRST MARTEN ARRIVES

The first marten, accepted haribarger of Spring here, winged its way into the birdhouse of Bates & Co. this morning at 6:30 o'clock, and after looking around turned south again. The main body is expected soon.

GERMAN SEAMEN SENT SOUTH TO INTERIOR FORTS

Philadelphia Taken From Philadelphia Under Heavy Guard

Philadelphia, March 26.—The seven hundred members of the crews of the German auxiliary cruisers Kronprinz Wilhelm and Prinz Eitel Friedrich, interned at the Philadelphia navy yard since last October, started to-day under a heavy guard of marines for Fort Ogethorpe and Fort McPherson, Ga., where they will be kept until further orders from Washington. The first section of fourteen

TEUTON SYMPATHIZER A SUICIDE

Fort Ogethorpe, Ga., March 26.—Corporal Frank E. Zellmak, of Company I, Seventeenth United States Infantry, shot himself, his companions said, rather than stand guard over German interned sailors here. He was a native Hungarian. His body was sent to his former home in Rochester, N. Y.