



BRITISH PROVE NEW MENACE TO GERMAN LINES

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British artillery yesterday broke up enemy troop concentrations east of Gouzeaucourt and near Moeuvres, on the southern and northern legs of the salient, respectively, and the Germans violently shelled the region of La Vacquerie, the center of much of the fighting activity of the past few days.

That the German purpose may have been to break through into the Somme region as well as to blot out the Cambrai salient is indicated in dispatches from the front.

Isolated enemy attacks along the northern Italian front have been checked by the Italians but the Austro-Germans have not attacked again in force.

Eighty passengers and the crew of the British steamer Apapa, of 7,822 tons, were lost when the vessel was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine.

Government Operation of Railroads Possible During Term of War

Washington, Dec. 5.—Government operation of railroads for the duration of the war, if unification of the transportation systems is not permitted by Congress, was recommended today by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Jacob M. Snyder Identified as Rutherford Youth

The body of Jacob M. Snyder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Snyder, is enroute to this city from Atlanta, Ga.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and continued cold tonight and Thursday; lowest temperature tonight about 28 degrees.

U. S. Soldiers Realize Task Set Before Them

With the American Army in France, Dec. 4.—(By the Associated Press)—Colonel E. M. House and the other members of the American mission with General Pershing and Viscount Northcliffe, inspected the American Army today.

The members of the mission also visited the reserve officers' training school and army headquarters. Later they departed for Paris.

MEN WITH LOW NUMBERS MAY ENTER U.S. ARMY

May Be Inducted Into Service Without Waiting For Draft

Draft registrants whose classification and order numbers are so low that they do not fall within the current quotas of their local boards may at their own request be immediately inducted into the military service.

Upon filing with his local board a waiver of all claims of deferred classification, a man in a deferred class may be examined and sent to camp immediately, although not as part of his board's quota, as this would violate the provisions of the selective service law which prohibit substitution.

MAYOR TO URGE \$100 A MONTH FOR POLICEMEN

Confiscation of Gambling Apparatus Now Planned by City

Milk Samples Show Up Well For First Time in Months

For the first time in months practically every sample of milk taken by city food inspectors and tested by the city bacteriologist contained no color bacilli, or disease germs.

CAMOUFLAGE DIABOLICAL



AUSTRO-GERMANS MASS HUGE FORCES OF MEN ALONG ITALIAN FRONT

Enemy Is Employing Ten Divisions of Troops in Preparation For Drive, Report of Correspondent

Rome, Dec. 5.—Enemy forces have begun an attack on the Asiago plateau, the war office announced today.

Italian Army Headquarters in Northern Italy, Tuesday, Dec. 4.—Great forces of men and guns have been massed by the Austrians and Germans in the Asiago section, according to reports reaching here tonight and resumption of the offensive is expected.

An exceptionally heavy artillery bombardment from the enemy positions around Asiago last night and through the early hours today appears to foreshadow the long expected resumption of the heavy enemy offensive from the north.

MAYOR TO URGE LONG QUIBBLE OVER GARBAGE DISGUSTS PUBLIC

Present Contract Has Less Than Two Months to Run

Disposal of the garbage and ashes of Harrisburg has been discussed for many weeks and the disgusted public is now promised a solution of the problem.

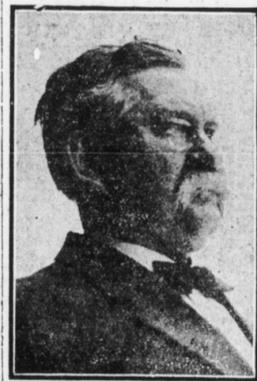
Mayor Keister believes that the policemen of Harrisburg are underpaid in view of the present high cost of living and will urge an increase in their salaries from \$85 per month to \$100 per month in the forthcoming annual budget.

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MAN AND BOY SERIOUSLY HURT IN AUTO CRASHES

Squire Coble, of Wormleysburg, in Critical Condition, With Fractured Skull



SQUIRE P. C. COBLE

Two accident victims are in the Harrisburg Hospital suffering with fractured skulls and other injuries as the result of separate automobile accidents about 7:15 this morning.

Squire P. C. Coble, 68 years old, justice of the peace of Wormleysburg, well-known grocer and citizen, was struck by a street car in Second street at the corner of Verbeke, and suffered a fracture of the skull and several lacerations.

The second victim is Leroy Metzler, 13 years old, son of George Metzler, 1119 North Sixth street. Young Metzler was riding in his delivery wagon, pushing it along with one foot, along Fulton street, when the Ford delivery truck of C. W. Smith, driven by Earl Smith, turned into Fulton street from Sayford, running over the boy and dragging him onto the sidewalk at the corner of Fulton and Sayford.

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CONGRESS WOULD INCLUDE TURKS AND BULGARIANS

Widespread Demand For Inclusion of All Enemy Countries in War Resolution

SENATE TO ACT FRIDAY

Senator LaFollette Fails to Join in Demonstration Given President's Utterances

Washington, Dec. 5.—The postponement of the Austrian war declaration by Congress until next week appeared probable today after conferences between Chairmen of the Senate and House Foreign Committees.

Chairman Flood, of the House Committee, said he hoped to get the resolution before the House tomorrow, but postponement until Friday appeared probable and in such an event it was not believed that the Senate could act before next week unless simultaneous consideration in both houses could be arranged.

A joint resolution drafted in accordance with the views of President Wilson and the State Department, declaring a "state of war exists," and "to have existed" since noon today, between the United States and the Austro-Hungarian government and directing employment of the navy and military forces to carry on war against that government, was introduced today by Chairman Flood, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Congressional machinery to translate the President's recommendations into action got under way yesterday immediately after the delivery of his message and Chairman Flood of the House Committee, was ready today to introduce in the House a resolution embodying the President's specific desires, that a state of war between the United States and Austria-Hungary be declared.

The widespread demand for addition of Turkey and Bulgaria in the resolution promises to be the only obstacle in the program for speedy enactment. Republicans in both the Senate and House Committees are planning vigorously to urge such extension and many Democrats are in sympathy with them.

Although few expect many negatives against the war resolution either house and nothing indicates that the debates, which preceded the action against Germany, will be repeated, the attitude of the small group which opposes the government's war policies is problematical.

Senator LaFollette did not join in the demonstration given the President's utterances yesterday and the only resort is to inflict such a military defeat upon Germany as to convince the Germans of the infirmity of their rulers.

Mrs. Brumbaugh Seeks Sweaters For Seventy Soldiers From County

Despite the splendid work of the Red Cross organizations of this city and vicinity in providing sweaters and other comforts for the soldiers of the Regular and National Armies, Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh said today that Mrs. Brumbaugh had discovered that there are still some seventy soldiers of the several thousand from this section of Pennsylvania who are without sweaters.

Governor Brumbaugh is speaking about the matter today said: "Mrs. Brumbaugh has been making inquiry into the needs of our men who are in the camps preparing to take up the work of soldiers and has on a number of occasions secured through local activities relief for many boys who lacked something in the way of comforts. It occurred to her recently to look into the status of the boys from Harrisburg and she has learned that there are seventy of the large number from this city, Steelton and nearby towns who are without sweaters. She has the names and the addresses of each of these boys and wants sweaters to reach them before Christmas. She knows where these boys are now, but this data should be made public. Some of these boys may be in France very soon.

"I certainly hope that the good people of Harrisburg will take up this matter and provide for these boys. Of course, I realize that a city which has given so generously of its youth has a great task in attempting to follow them up. Persons wishing to send a sweater to a particular boy may obtain of Mrs. Brumbaugh the name and home address and she will see that the article reaches him."

BRAKEMAN KILLED Glenn R. Bridger, 29, a brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, today was killed at Parkersburg, Chester county. Details of the accident are not known, but it is supposed that he slipped from the train and was left in two pieces. Bridger lived at 214 Kelly street.

WILSON MESSAGE WARMLY PRAISED BY LONDON PRESS

Outstanding Utterances Take Away Last Hope of Pacifists, Is Belief

VOICE OF A STATESMAN

No Hints of Compromise and No Suggestion of Faltering or Doubt

London, Dec. 5.—President Wilson's message to Congress has the fullest possible prominence in the morning newspapers, but it reached London too late for much considered comment. The Daily News receives warmly the President's declaration that peace should be based on generosity and justice to the exclusion of selfish claims. It adds:

It would be affection to pretend this language echoes the declarations of the European spokesmen of the alliance. It is the voice of a statesman whose comprehends the world while theirs comprehend only half a world.

"If President Wilson could have said earlier what he said yesterday and if in Great Britain, France and Italy the responsible leaders had made his language their own, Russia might be today driving the enemies from her borders."

"There are no ambiguous phrases on which militarists may feed the illusions of their dupes, no hints of compromise and no suggestion of faltering or doubt to raise the spirits of the pacifists. With this straightforward and logical statement of America's war aims the last hope of the pacifists must founder."

RUSSIANS HELP BRITISH IN MESOPOTAMIA

London, Dec. 5.—British troops, acting in conjunction with an efficient force of Russians, have carried out a successful operation in Mesopotamia, Major General F. E. Maurice, chief director of military operations at the war office, announced today.

DRILL NIGHT CHANGED

Harrisburg—Owing to the fact that the City Grays Armory will be in use for a mass meeting Friday night the drills of Companies A and D of the Harrisburg Reserves will be held Thursday night at the usual hours.

BIRDS SAVE MONEY

Harrisburg.—Farmers of Pennsylvania are saved loss of thousands of dollars every year by the activities of insect-destroying birds, which are protected by law declared Dr. Joseph Kalbfus, secretary of the State Game Commission in an address before the Pennsylvania State Society's luncheon today. Dr. Kalbfus advocated more state game preserves.

FOREIGN PRESS GETS WILSON MESSAGE

New York, Dec. 5.—The Havas News Agency was asked to send verbatim the presidential message from Paris to the Havas branches or correspondents in Italy, Spain, Portugal for publication in the press of those countries.

GUILTY OF FOMENTING REVOLUTION

San Francisco, Dec. 5.—Three of the most prominent of the thirty-four defendants on trial charged with conspiracy to foment revolution against British rule in India, pleaded guilty in the United States district court.

RUMANIA NEGOTIATES ARMISTICE

Berlin, Dec. 5.—Via London.—The negotiations between the Germans and Russians for an armistice are extending to the Rumanian troops, the war office announces.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George F. Smith, Sunbury, and Corn L. Coose, Harrisburg.

CONGRESS MUST PROVIDE EXTRA FIVE BILLIONS

Secretary McAdoo's Report Calls For \$5,128,203,793 in Addition to Bond Issues

WAR MAKES HUGE TOTAL

Increase in Rate of Interest on Liberty Bonds Considered Unwise

Washington, Dec. 5.—Congress was informed by Secretary McAdoo in his annual report, submitted today, that \$5,128,203,793 must be provided in addition to funds from taxes and bond issues already authorized in order to make estimated receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918, equal disbursements. If this deficit is met by a new issue of bonds, the total amount of securities to be issued in the next seven months is estimated at \$9,969,433,850.

For the next fiscal year, ending June 30, 1919, the estimated excess of disbursements over receipts is \$7,627,973,980.

Future war expenses and loans to America's allies at the rate of a half billion dollars a month have made these estimates many times larger than any ever presented in a Secretary of the Treasury's annual report.

Ye Ed. Closes Shop and Stalks the Deer, Regardless of the War

Liverpool, Pa., Dec. 5.—No issue of the Liverpool Sun will be issued this week, according to an announcement made by the editor, George W. Deekard. He is spending the week hunting for deer in the mountains near New Germantown. Editor Deekard has announced that the customary omission of an issue between Christmas and New Year will not be followed this year because of the omission of this number.