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WEDNESDAY DAY OF WAR INACTIVITIES

ALL ARMIES ENGAGED IN BREATHING SPELL BEFORE RENEWING ATTACKS.

SOME DESULTORY FIGHTING

Verdun is Only Spot Excepting Rule With French Taking Positions From Germans With Machine Guns.

By Associated Press

LONDON, Aug. 3.—The armies in the three great centers of recent activity, the Somme region in France, Russia and Galicia have evidently let up considerably and are now engaged in a breathing spell preparatory to attacks and counter attacks. The official communications from these three theatres tell of no single important engagement.

Attacking in Echelon on a three-mile front from the Meuse river to Fleury, north of Verdun, the French captured several German works, with 600 prisoners and ten machine guns.

The Russian front, according to Petrograd reports merely artillery duels and infantry attacks on the Strokhod and Turia rivers and local Austrian offensives on the Stripa river, all of which were repulsed. The Russians are keeping up their attacks against the Turks in the Caucasus.

The attacks of the Austrians against the Italians at various points including Monteimone and Castilatto were repulsed with heavy casualties, according to Rome.

German aviators are tonight making the third air raid in a week on the eastern counties of England.

There appears to be six or seven of the German aircraft over the southeastern coast at four o'clock this morning (London time). Many anti-aircraft guns have been brought into action. It was reported that one Zeppelin was badly hit. No military damage has been reported.

RAID OF BANDITS NOT MATERIALIZE

CAREFUL SEARCH AROUND FINDLEY FAILS TO REVEAL MEXICANS.

By Associated Press

EL PASO, Aug. 3.—Upon the receipt of reports that a careful search today of the country surrounding Findley failed to disclose the presence of Mexican bandits General Bell commanding the El Paso district tonight ordered the troops sent to that district to return to Fort Bliss tomorrow. The troops were sent to Findley on the report that bandits had crossed the Rio Grande and were raiding ranches.

Swiss Republic's Natl. Day.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 3.—The Swiss legation in this city is in receipt of advices from all parts of the United States where colonies of the Swiss people are in existence telling of elaborate plans and preparations made during the past month for the celebration of the anniversary of Swiss independence. The celebrations have been going on now for several days in various localities and will continue for a period of five days, ending on August 6. Funds raised at the various celebrations will be forwarded then to the Swiss legation in the United States Government whose resources have been seriously taxed by the war.

The present year marks the 625th anniversary of Swiss independence. It was on August 1, 1291, that the men of Uri, Unterwalden and Schwyz joined in a solemn league and covenant forever against the Austrians. Their action is regarded as the foundation of the Swiss confederation.

WEATHER FORCES RISE IN COTTON

MARKET CLOSES TWENTY-NINE POINTS OVER THURSDAY'S CLOSE PRICE.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 3.—Cotton here rose $1.50 a bale here today on continued unfavorable weather reports, which indicate that the crop is deteriorating. At the best the market was thirty-three points over yesterday's closing and closed with a net gain of twenty-nine points.

CASEMENT CHEERY ON EXECUTION EVE

IRISH REBEL LEADER IS UNUSUALLY LIGHT HEARTED BEFORE DEATH.

CABINET NOT INTERFERE

Embraces the Catholic Religion and Bids Farewell to His Nearest Relatives Before Execution Thursday Morning.

By Associated Press

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Sir Roger Casement, the Irish Rebel leader, who will be executed at 9 o'clock Thursday morning, has embraced the Catholic religion and bade farewell to his nearest relatives. The doomed man was reported to be unusually cheerful and apparently unconcerned. The execution will be private. The Associated Press has been informed that the British government has determined not to receive Sir Roger although silence was maintained as to the final efforts to save the Irishman's life. It is well known, however, that some petitions were received as late as today.

The Foreign Office says that no request has been received from the United States government requesting a reprieve. This causes some surprise, as it was believed that at the last moment Sir Roger would be sentenced to life imprisonment.

Albemarle Horse Show.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Aug. 3.—Because of the prominence of many of the exhibitors and the large field of show and race horses entered, more than usual interest has been aroused in the annual exhibition of the Albemarle Horse Show Association, which began here today. Judging of exhibits commenced soon after the opening and will continue until the show closes tomorrow afternoon.

BRITISH OFFICERS WATCHING SUB NOW

EXPRESS DOUBT SHE WILL MAKE THE HOMEWARD JOURNEY SAFELY.

By Associated Press

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Naval officers here are watching the movements of the submarine Deutschland closely and say they doubt if she will make the homeward journey safely. An Admiralty official today declared that the British navy had no policy to announce except its determination to arrest the Deutschland if possible. He declined to say if she would be sunk on sight but reasserted Britain's determination not to recognize the submarine as an ordinary merchantman.

DUTCH MUST STOP SHIPPING COTTON SUPPLIES

THE HAGUE, Aug. 3.—Holland has decided that unless the shipment of cotton to Dutch seaports ceases a real condition is discontinued no further supplies in cotton will be exported to Holland. According to this report to the British Foreign Office cotton is now coming in Holland. It is generally believed that the move is left for doubling the exports of Germany in exporting cotton to Holland through neutral channels.

The Algemeen Telegraaf says that quantities of cotton goods are regularly exported by transitary dealers in Gronlinen addresses in the Rhine and Westphalia and ultimately destined for Germany.

COMMONS TOLD THE PEACE ESSENTIALS

PREMIER ASQUITH SAYS STRICKEN COUNTRIES MUST BE RESTORED.

By Associated Press

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Premier Asquith told the House of Commons that the essential conditions to peace in Europe would be the restoration of Belgium and Serbia, not only politically, nationally and diplomatically but materially and economically to the positions they occupied before the war. The Premier stated that as far as Britain was concerned the operations for the future were encouraging. He said that the devastated districts of France and Poland must also be restored to normal.

Where Nine Were Killed in San Francisco Preparedness Parade

Nine persons were killed and many were injured when a valise containing a giant charge of dynamite was placed at Stewart and Market streets during the preparedness parade in San Francisco, July 22. Newspapers of San Francisco had received warning that the parade would be followed by such a slaughter and now the police are working night and day to unfoot the plot.

WHEAT JUMPS HIGH ON CROP REPORTS

BLACK RUST IN MANITOBA AND DAKOTAS CAUSE OF RAPID RISE.

CHICAGO, Ills., Aug. 3.—Wheat prices leaped up 7 1-8 and 7 1-4 cents on the bushel today, driven to reports of disastrous crop damage in Canada, the Dakotas and Minnesota. They stated that the black rust in Manitoba amounts almost to a calamity, and is gaining unprecedented ground South of the international line.

It is estimated that the wheat yield in both Dakotas this year will not be half as large as last year. Just before the close of the market today September wheat touched $1.21 3-8, against $1.24 1-4 yesterday.

CHINK PRESIDENT HAD SOME FAMILY

DEAD MAN'S HOUSEHOLD REQUIRES THIRTY-FIVE TRAINS FOR HAUL.

PEKING, Aug. 3.—Thirty-five trains were required to carry Yuan Shi-kai's family and their possessions from Peking to the Yuan Shi-kai home at Changteh. The late president was known to have sixteen wives, and it has been reported that the number was even greater. The paper is responsible for the statement that in addition to his first wife, who is the legal wife, he married Chinese laws, the late president had twenty-six others. Upon the death of a wife or concubine, mourning was officially announced that Yuan Shi-kai was the father of thirty-one children, sixteen sons and fifteen daughters.

The last Yuan Shi-kai family left on June eighty-fifth has been moving their effects to their ancestral home, where will be their permanent residence. Two cars of "personal effects" and office of all sorts were moved last "the public property" of the imperial rule. A hundred months of Yuan Shi-kai's Peking rule has been marked by many changes.

Revolutionary plans and plots against Monarchy in the interests of which the Yuan family expired, have been of equal importance in the history of China. In one of the plots the Yuan family is left for doubting the loyalty of Germany in preparing a plot to restore to a royal place with Prince Heiland through secret conferences.

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Many strange rumors concerning the various wives of the late president have been circulated among the superstitious and ignorant Chinese since Yuan Shi-kai's death. One rumor, which gained general circulation, but is not credited by foreigners, is that the second wife killed herself after Yuan Shi-kai's death.

Moudelbir Bombarded by British.

By Associated Press

MITYLENE, Greece, Aug. 3.—The British fleet bombarded Moudelbir, in Asia Minor, and caused a small detachment.

DELEGATES COMING THICK INTO RATON

COLORADO-TO-GULF ENTHUSIASTS PREPARING FOR NEW MOVES.

By Associated Press

RATON, N. M., Aug. 3.—The vanguard of the delegates from Texas, Colorado and New Mexico were here tonight for the annual convention of the Colorado-to-Gulf Highway Association, which meets here tomorrow for a three day session. Advance information indicated that there would be several hundred good roads enthusiasts from the three states.

According to some of the delegates, one of the principal matters to come before the convention will be a proposal of the Conejos club of Las Vegas and good roads organizations of that section to have the Colorado-to-Gulf highway diverted to Las Vegas from Amarillo. Las Vegas is not on the direct route of the highway. Southern New Mexico and the Colorado delegations are understood to be opposing the movement.

Robert H. Higgins of Pueblo is president and C. A. Bayne of Raton is secretary of the mountain division of the association. Word has been received that large delegations from Pueblo, Colorado Springs and Denver will oppose any move designed to change the present route, which runs from Texas and Denver into the territory. The road at Denver connects with the Northern Colorado highway to Cheyenne.

SWEDES TO ACCEPT U. S. ISLAND DEAL

SOCIALISTS MAKING CHIEF OBJECTION TO DEAL FOR DANISH INDIES.

By Associated Press

COPENHAGEN, Den., Aug. 3.—It is reported as probable that the Danish Riksdag will accept the United States offer to purchase the Danish West Indies despite the protest of the Socialist opposition. The opposition is claiming the sale of the islands and demanding that the West Indian colonies be given the same independence. The Socialists are especially antagonistic.

ABE MARTIN

The new daylight movement isn't one thing after his mother in the garden. The only real safety zone is home—ask sardine at that.

RAILROAD FIGHT BEING OBSERVED

WILSON SENDS APPEAL FROM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO CONGRESS.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—The Federal government, including President Wilson, is closely watching the controversy between the railroads and their 400,000 employees and are preparing to offer every possible aid to prevent the strike.

Wilson today sent to the Department of Labor, the Congressional committees, and the representatives of the railroads and their employees the appeal he received from the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, declaring that the strike was inevitable, "unless strong measures of intervention were speedily taken."

The Labor Department was undecided what action to take. The appeal received by Wilson says positively that the railroads will not modify their attitude and asked the employees to remember the public rights.

HOLLAND PREPARES ANTE-BELLUM WAR

WILL BE BLOODLESS ONES TO MAINTAIN DUTCH PEOPLES TRADE.

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, Aug. 3.—Holland is mobilizing and preparing for a great economic world struggle after the war. It is considered that she could be no match against an overwhelming military invasion, particularly from the south which even before the war established an almost predominate influence in several spheres of Dutch life. At the same time the commercial and industrial princes of the Netherlands expect the war that is some respects puts their nation favorably in the competition for trade and raw materials.

From other quarters it is stated that Holland shall endeavor to make strong efforts to maintain her neutrality, emphasizing the importance of her commercial and intellectual services. The result of a special commercial envoy has already been shared with investigations in Russia and a bill has also been introduced by Dr. John Loudon, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, to vote money for an extraordinary Dutch economic mission to a series of countries.

In connection with the mobilization of the Dutch navy, it is stated that the government has decided to make the Dutch navy available for escorting the government vessels. So far as is known officially the Dutch government has not yet taken any steps to make them so, but it is understood that the Dutch government has consulted with the Dutch shipping companies. A number of merchant vessels of general service are being used at the disposal of the Dutch navy for special purposes and masters of a military nature, including those of Dutch merchant vessels and commerce will be assigned. And textile experts will be employed to report and advise on technical matters, some of them joining the government staff.

Four Hundred Dead In Fire.

By Associated Press

CHICAGO, Ills., Aug. 3.—Confirmed reports place the number dead in the fire swept area of north side Chicago at 400.

SUBMARINE PASSES VIRGINIA'S CAPES

DEUTSCHLAND GOES OUT AT EIGHT-THIRTY AND CONVOY RETURNS.

ALLIED SHIPS NOT IN SIGHT

Eight Allied Vessels Said to Be Waiting But Only One Is Seen During Whole Day.

By Associated Press

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 3.—The Deutschland, giant German submarine, passed out of the Virginia Capes tonight apparently unobserved by the British and French warships. She was accompanied only by the tug Timmins which convoyed her down the bay from Baltimore and by one newspaper dispatch boat. Her departure followed an eighteen mile dash through the lower Chesapeake Bay by bringing her to the Capes just after dusk.

No Allied warships were in sight as the submarine passed into the Atlantic. The United States Destroyer Stewart lay outside of the three mile limit to see that the Deutschland's passage was uninterfered with by the Allied craft while in American territorial waters. Three other destroyers and the cruiser North Carolina also watched American neutrality rights in that vicinity.

Whether the Deutschland submerged before reaching the three mile limit is unknown. The two accompanying boats only know that she disappeared unharmed. Half an hour later the Timmins headed back for Baltimore.

For Municipal Improvement

IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich., Aug. 3.—To place the cities of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan among the most attractive and best governed in the entire country is the aim of the Clover Land Association of Municipalities, which met here today in its first annual convention. The association was organized last March largely through the efforts of Mayor Hardy of Sault Ste. Marie, who is now president of the association. Virtually every city in the Upper Peninsula has sent its mayor and one or official representative to the association, the purpose of which will [illegible] more important.

CARRANZA REPLY EXPECTED THURS

MEXICAN EMBASSY STATED THE NOTE ACCEPTING PROPOSALS SHOULD COME.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—The Mexican Embassy stated today that the reply from Carranza might be received tomorrow to the United States proposal for a joint commission to settle the border problems. It is understood that the Administration's acceptance of Carranza's proposal has created a favorable impression in Mexico.

Officials would decline to discuss what matters the commission might consider, but it is understood it will include the withdrawal of troops from Mexico.

To Win—Lost Victim

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BORLAND CALLS UP BEEF TRUST MOVE

CHARGES PACKERS ARE TRYING TO STIFLE INVESTIGATION.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Representative Borland, of Missouri, renewed his charges of a beef trust in the house today. He done not a investigation of beef prices by the Federal Trade Commission, stating that the packers were dividing monopoly profits, while charging the consumers war prices. His resolution to this effect has been before the Judiciary Committee six months, which Borland said the packers were trying to stifle hearing publicity. Meanwhile he said livestock prices were steadily increasing.

TENNESSEE VOTERS BALLOT ON GOVT.

ELECTION WILL DECIDE WHETHER CONSTITUTION TO BE CHANGED.

ELECTION IS NON-PARTISAN

Old Document is Antiquidated and New One Has Been Needed for Many Years, Say Citizens.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., August 2.—The question of whether a convention shall be held to reframe the Constitution of Tennessee will be settled by a special State election to be held tomorrow. The election is the result of action taken by the recent legislature, supplemented by the proclamation of Governor Rye.

If the electors results in the affirmative, then the voters of the State will vote, on November 17, their delegates to the Constitutional convention. On November 16 the delegates will assemble in Nashville and organize for the purpose of drafting amendments to the present Constitution. The people will be given opportunity to express their wishes with regard to the changes which are deemed or necessary. When the proposed amendments have been adopted by the convention the new Constitution will be submitted to the voters for ratification.

The movement for a revision of the Constitution is of an entirely nonpartisan nature. The agitation for a modification of the form of State government has been several years ago and the necessity for changes that would make the present Constitution [illegible] has been urged by chambers of commerce, improvement leagues and other organizations throughout the state.

The results of tomorrow's election and the further progress in the steps [illegible] Constitution will be follow[illegible] interest throughout [illegible] every State [illegible] the country is concerned [illegible] problems which [illegible] adopting to solve. [illegible] Constitution is virtually adopted when adopted in 1796, copied almost word for word from the Constitution of North Carolina. Although it has since adopted [illegible] one in 1834 and [illegible] 1870, both of these were [illegible] of the old Constitution's main features.

[illegible] Southern States find [illegible] in the same [illegible] their fundamental [illegible] so is regarded as [illegible] sign of the times [illegible] means that the States [illegible] are progressing far beyond the dreams of the far-sighted men who drew the present Constitutions.

In Georgia and Texas there has been an increasing public demand for revisions of their respective Constitutions. The Constitution of Texas is some [illegible] the younger document [illegible] present Constitution was adopted in 1877 and in spite of the features contained in it [illegible] succeeding [illegible] is the case with the Georgia Constitution. The [illegible] is rather more [illegible] Georgia, and it is [illegible] Texas will take up [illegible] revision while the [illegible]

Bishop Gross 75 Years Old.

[illegible] Aug. 3.—[illegible] bishop of [illegible] the best [illegible] the Pa[illegible] of many [illegible] on the occasion [illegible] birthday anniversary [illegible] was born [illegible] Ireland, but his ecclesiastical [illegible] has been [illegible] Previous to [illegible] Sacramento twenty-[illegible] filled pastorates [illegible] towns of Ne[illegible] California. Preparations [illegible] an appropriate [illegible] the golden jubilee [illegible] to priesthood.

DE FACTO TROOPS CAPTURE VILLISTA

MARTE LOPEZ IS LEADER OF BANDIT BAND LOSING FEW HORSES.

By Associated Press

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mex., Aug. 2.—General Trevino in a report to General Trevino announced that he had encountered a band of Villistas under Martin Lopez and had captured three prisoners and several horses in a skirmish near Parauichio. He said the pursuit was continued.