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GRAIN GAMBLERS ARE CINCHED

Government Puts Agent in Pit of the Chicago Board of Trade

HINDENBURG LINE PIERCED AGAIN

BRITISH ADD MORE PRISONERS AND MAKE FURTHER GAINS AT ARRAS

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, May 12.—British troops attacking the Hindenburg line gained their objective and took some hundred prisoners.

(By Associated Press.) BERLIN, May 12.—German troops operating in the Cerny region on the Aisne front forced the French back at Bovelle ridge and brought down 15 French and British airplanes.

(By Associated Press.) BATELESS, May 12.—Bitter attacks by the troops of Crown Prince Rupprecht and the German crown prince are being made against the positions vital to the defenses of Lens, held by the British and French.

South of the Souchez river, one of the natural barriers to Lens, the Germans have made a third attempt to recapture the positions taken by the British Thursday and for a third time have been thrown back.

Around Cerny on Laonnois, on the plateau overlooking the Ailette river, and only nine miles south of Lens, an important link in the German defensive system in France, the German crown prince is expanding his power freely, but ineffectually, in an attempt to regain lost ground.

Near the border the Serbians have captured two Bulgarian works north of Pojar.

SPEEDING UP ON GOVERNMENT WORK

BETHLEHEM TURNING OUT ONE HUNDRED STEEL GUNS A MONTH

(By Associated Press.) WILMINGTON, Del., May 12.—Eugene C. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel company, in an address before the Wilmington chamber of commerce, complimented the government officials and others for their effective efforts to prepare the nation for the gigantic task which confronts it.

He spoke optimistically of the government's ship building program and said his company is prepared to cooperate to the utmost in this and other respects necessary to meet the nation's requirements.

"We at Bethlehem," declared Mr. Grace, "are probably in as good a position as any private industry to know how effective are the efforts of our government to prepare our nation for the gigantic task which confronts it."

The Bethlehem works, Mr. Grace said, are turning out 100 finished steel guns and more than 1000 gun forgings a month.

UTAH FILLS QUOTA

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—Utah filled her regular army quota, being the third state. She furnished 751 men. The quota was 740.

MOTORSHIP REPORTED IN DISTRESS OFF COAST

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—The motorship Nuwana, owned by the Shell Oil company, is in distress off the southern Oregon coast with a disabled engine. The steamer Florence Olsen is standing by. There is no immediate danger.

HOUSES SPLIT ON CENSORSHIP

MATTER WILL BE THROWN INTO CONFERENCE BEFORE FINAL VOTE

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—The senate's action on censorship if permitted to stand on final passage of the bill, leaves the house on record in favor of censorship, with the senate against it. This probably will throw the question in conference, where the full force of the administration will be exerted to put the censorship through in some form.

Cummins, in arguing for it as his amendment, said: "If we believe the people, the best informed people of this and allied countries we will be starving. Either we shall have to do without booze or without bread. I am in favor of doing without booze. Between revenue and food there can be only one choice."

NEVADA MUST GIVE UP 16,500 MEN

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—The census bureau estimates that ten million will be subject to the selective draft on July 1st, within the ages of 21 to 30 inclusive. This is based on an estimated population between 103,000,000 and 104,000,000.

The bureau estimate for other western states follows: Nevada 15,500; Idaho, 51,900; Montana, 73,300; New Mexico, 41,500; Oregon, 108,000; Utah, 46,000; Washington, 217,400.

UNCLE SAM BECOMES THE WORLD'S BANKER

RUMANIA AND SERBIA ARE ADDED TO THE COUNTRIES ASKING HELP

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—There is little doubt that virtually every allied nation, large and small, will participate to some extent in the war loan. The Serbian minister has presented an informal application, the first made in behalf of his government. Panama and Cuba, also have indicated, it was stated authoritatively, that they would like to participate in the loan.

Rumania is also said to have indicated that she needs financial assistance, but no formal application has been presented.

SITUATION IN OIL FIELDS IS DECLARED CRITICAL

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—The state council of defence and the railroad commission is to survey the oil situation to decide how to meet war emergencies and increase production. The situation is declared critical.

NO REASON FOR HIGH PRICES OF FOODSTUFFS

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—Secretary Redfield said in a statement supporting the food bills, that there was no economic reason that present high food prices and that the government would have to take charge to prevent further rises.

ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED BY A TRAIN

(By Associated Press.) REDDING, Cal., May 12.—Horace G. Campbell, a Shasta county farmer, and Mrs. Lucy Cornish, a former wife, charged that Cornish was run down and killed by a freight train while walking on the track last night.

NEW ENGLAND'S DONATION TO FATHERLESS FRANCE

(By Associated Press.) BOSTON, May 12.—New England citizens presented over \$150,000 for General Joffre for the support of fatherless French children.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO

Table with columns for 1917 and 1916, listing weather observations like temperature, wind, and humidity.

MAY OPTION ON WHEAT CLOSED THREATS TO SUSPEND THE BOARD

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, May 12.—The settlement price for May wheat, which was wiped from the board of trade yesterday as a speculative option, was fixed at \$3.18 a bushel today. As a result of yesterday's action the board set a price, as a hundred times as much wheat was contracted for as was available. Elimination of May contracts does not eliminate all speculation in grains.

None of those at the meeting would confirm or deny that it had been intimated to board officials that some action to curb soaring prices of wheat should be taken or government officials would close the board. It was admitted that government agents had been in the trading pit of the board for several days taking notes on the trades.

"I should like to emphasize," said Joseph P. Griffin, president of the board of trade, "that speculation has nothing whatever to do with the action of the directors in deciding to abandon trading in May wheat. It is speculation in any sense responsible for the high prices prevailing for May wheat or the cash article. Generally speaking, the speculator is not interested in May wheat, his operations being confined to the future. Practically the entire interest in May wheat is restricted to farmers, grain dealers, miller and foreign governments."

"The recent hysteria over the food situation has caused a stampede of consumers in every direction and

while it is regrettable it is nevertheless a fact that even the leading governments of Europe seem to have become fearful as to their future requirements. The largest buyers of wheat for present and future delivery at this time in the market are the governments of Europe, not speculators."

(By Associated Press.) MINNEAPOLIS, May 12.—The board of directors of the chamber of commerce at a special meeting decided to continue trading in May wheat.

(By Associated Press.) KANSAS CITY, May 12.—Wheat trading in May wheat was discontinued by the board of trade as a patriotic move to co-operate with the government.

NAVY RECRUITED TO WAR STRENGTH

STILL REMAINS ROOM FOR MEN TRAINED IN TECHNICAL TRADES

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—The navy will reach its full authorized maximum war strength of 100,000 enlisted men next Thursday if the recruiting ratio of the last ten days is maintained. An official statement shows that the service now has a total of 95,028 men, the recruiting campaign inaugurated April 3 having produced 31,341 men up to date. Bills pending in congress authorize the addition of 50,000 more men or a total strength, including hospital corps apprentices and unorganized units, of 195,000 men.

"The steady gain has been made without lowering the navy's high standards in any respect," said Secretary Daniels.

There still is a shortage of machinists, shipwrights, carpenters, ship fitters and other men trained in technical trades, and who need no preliminary instruction at the naval trade schools, the secretary said.

STORM OF PROTEST AGAINST WAR TAXES

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—A general attack on the war tax bill was continued today before the senate committee on finance. Railroad and express company representatives advocated taxing parcel post packages while they compete with them. Coffee, electric power and advertising taxes were opposed as unfair to the various industries.

HERO OF THE FLYERS IS MYSTERIOUSLY MISSING

(By Associated Press.) NOTTINGHAM, May 12.—Captain Albert Ball, of the British flying squadron, who recently received the freedom of the city of Nottingham for having brought down German airplanes, has been missing since Monday, according to a letter received by his father.

FARMERS LIVE LONGEST IN THE UNITED STATES

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—Bookkeepers and office assistants die youngest and farmers the oldest, according to the bureau of labor statistics. The average age of death among bookkeepers and clerks is 36 and farmers 58. Tuberculosis caused 35 per cent of the deaths of clerks, and heart disease for the largest number of farmers, made 16 per cent.

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Most Brilliant Banquet In History of Republic

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, May 12.—One of the most brilliant banquets in the history of America was given here last night in honor of the British and French war mission to the United States. The guests included Arthur James Balfour, British foreign minister; Rene V. Joffe, French minister of justice; Marshall Joffe and two former presidents of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft. The menu was of Spartan simplicity, limited to five courses.

Outlined in electric lights upon the front of the hotel were the flags of the three nations represented, while far up and down famed Fifth avenue, double rows of street lamps, gleaming through golden globes,

SECRET OF LENS MAKING SOLVED

DISCOVERY OF ESSENTIAL IMPORTANCE TO THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—The secret of making optical glass of the sort used in field glasses, range finders and periscopes, a product for which this country hitherto has been dependent on Germany, has been discovered by the bureau of standards.

In announcing the discovery, Secretary Redfield said it was one of essential importance to the military service of the nation.

Experts of the bureau have been at work for two years and a half trying to find the right scales.

BRITISH MUNITION WORKERS ON STRIKE

GOVERNMENT ISSUES SOLEMN WARNING AGAINST FOMENTING TROUBLE

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, May 12.—The government issued a grave warning to munition workers last night saying that it cannot permit strikes to continue and aggravate the delay in the production of munitions.

All loyal citizens, therefore, are called upon to resume work immediately and the government gives notice that all persons inciting to the stoppage of work on munitions are liable for conviction of an offense entailing life servitude. The notice says the stoppage of work was clearly unauthorized by the trade unions and occurred at a time when, in view of the present offensive on all fronts, there is greater need for munitions than at any previous time.

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brought out a sea of flags floating over parallel lines of patriotic citizens who jammed the sidewalks on both sides for a mile and a half. The members of the mission were escorted first to the great ballroom where a brief reception was held and then to the grand banquet hall, which has been the scene of many brilliant assemblies.

Stretched across one end of the banquet hall was a great curtain of horizon blue. In the center was the American flag flanked by the colors of France and England and with the flags of the ten other allies surrounding them. Below the flags was a copy of a medallion representing France and England, supported on a golden panel bearing the new famous words of President Wilson:

"To make the world safe for democracy." At the close of the banquet Mayor Mitchell presented to Mr. Balfour and M. Viviani gold medals emblematic of their visit to New York. The mayor then proposed a toast to the president of the United States. The diners rose cheering frantically and throwing their napkins into the air, while the orchestra played "The Star Spangled Banner."

Toasts also were drunk to King George of England, the French republic and to the president of France.

HARVESTER STOCK DESTROYED BY FIRE

MILLION DOLLARS LOST IN A BLAZE OF FAR REACHING CONSEQUENCE

(By Associated Press.) SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 12.—Fire of unknown origin last night totally destroyed the International Harvester company's office and warehouse building here. The loss is in excess of a million dollars. More than 1,000,000 pounds of coiled binder twine ignited, spreading the flames to all parts of the four-story structure, which occupied a quarter block in the manufacturing district. The warehouse was heavily stocked with farm implements and machinery repairs.

Three of five employees caught in the fourth floor of the building were injured when they jumped for an awning, three stories below, one suffering a broken leg and ribs, and other a broken arm, and the third minor bruises. The others escaped by sliding down a rope.

LIVING CONDITIONS ARE BLAMED FOR SHORTAGE

(By Associated Press.) SACRAMENTO, May 12.—The state council of defense in making a farm labor survey of the state declares there is no shortage of farm labor, but that the supply lacks mobility. There are plenty of itinerant workers, but not where they are needed. Living conditions on farms are blamed for the difficulty in getting workers.

EX-PRESIDENT'S SON ENTERS ARTILLERY AS PRIVATE

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—Chas. P. Taft, 19-year-old son of ex-President Taft, has enlisted as a private in the artillery.

(By Associated Press.) OTTAWA, May 12.—Rene Viviani and another member of the French commission have arrived here.

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DEATH OF MRS. ASKIN AFTER LONG ILLNESS

(By Associated Press.) Mrs. Mary Jeanette Askin, wife of Charles Askin, died this morning at eleven o'clock at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles E. Blaker, after her return last evening from the coast, where she had been taken for the purpose of an operation. The immediate cause of death was Bright's disease and heart trouble. The funeral will take place Monday afternoon from St. Mark's church with Rev. Harlan Bailey officiating.

Mrs. Askin was born in Lincoln county, Nevada, at the old camp of Bristol, December 5, 1883, and spent all her life in Nevada. She came to Tonopah in 1901. She was a devout church member and at one time was a member of the Rathbone Sisters. Her brothers, Roy and Ben Gilliam, will arrive tomorrow evening by automobile from Ely and Salt Lake. Deceased leaves a husband and two girls and a boy. The family has the sincere sympathy of their friends in their affliction.

Mrs. Askin was a lady of charming personality and endowed with great graces of mind that endeared her to all whom she met.

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ONE MAN TO BUY FOR THE WORLD

MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY TO BE ATTAINED BY INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—An international agreement, under which there would be placed in the hands of a small commission, possibly of one man, the purchasing power of virtually every dollar of the millions to be lent the allies by this government and the additional billions, which they will spend in this country out of their own income, is in process of formulation.

The commission would have the widest purchasing powers ever entrusted to any one body of men in the history of the world. It virtually would be a purchasing agency for all Christendom, with the exception of the few remaining neutrals and the central powers. It would eliminate entirely competition bidding among the allies and this government for American products and would seek to insure 100 cents worth of value for every dollar spent.

WILSON CHECKMATES GERMAN INTRIGUE

MOVE TO THWART EFFORTS TO SEDUCE RUSSIA FROM ENTENTE

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—Official announcement yesterday as to the personnel of the American commission to Russia marked a forward step in President Wilson's effort to thwart German's intrigue for a separate peace with the new democracy and hold the provisional government fast to the cause of the world against Prussian autocracy.

Headed by Elihu Root, with position as special ambassador, the personnel of the commission was chosen with special regard to conditions in Russia and the character of the new government.

Besides Mr. Root, who represents the element of statesmanship with the distinction of having held many high offices in the United States, the commission comprises a Socialist, a labor leader, a banker, a manufacturer, a business man, a man celebrated for his international activities in human welfare and ranking army and navy officers. The commission will depart from the United States soon.

WAR DEPARTMENT REFRAINS FROM MAKING COMMENT

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—The war department has refused to comment on the mission of Major General J. Pershing here and declined to comment on reports that Pershing might command an expedition to France. Secretary Baker regarded speculation as prejudicial to public interest.

THOMAS DORSEY INJURED IN THE EXTENSION MINE

Thomas Dorsey, shift boss on the Tonopah Extension, was badly gashed this morning by a slight rock slide in the mine. Mr. Dorsey has been employed at the Belmont mine for the past two years and only changed this morning to the Extension. He had not been in the workings more than 15 minutes when a piece of rock broke off and dropped on a timber, then rebounding and falling on him. The rock struck Mr. Dorsey on the head causing a severe gash, which was sewed up at the Mine Operators' hospital.

BUTLER THEATRE TO-NIGHT

ETHEL BARRYMORE as Alaska dance hall girl, in "THE WHITE RAVEN"

Does a woman keep her word? See the picture MAX LINDER

The Charlie Chaplin of Europe, famous French comedian in his first American-made comedy. "MAX COMES ACROSS"

Something new in motion pictures. A fortune was spent in its production. TOMORROW

Dustin Farnum in "A Son of Erin." "The Masked Stranger." (Mystery of the Double Cross.)