

SEIZURE OF VERA CRUZ WAS IGNOBLE WAR, HUGHES SAYS

REPUBLICAN NOMINEE ASSAILS ADMINISTRATION FOR FOREIGN POLICY IN SPEECH AT DETROIT.

"RAID UPON THE CIVIL SERVICE" IS CONDEMNED

Filled With Deep Sense of Shame by Exhibition During Past Three Years—Democrats' Course Toward Upholding American Rights Abroad is Assailed.

Detroit, Aug. 9.—Charles E. Hughes, in his first set speech of his transcontinental trip assailed the administration for its foreign policy, its Mexican policy, for appointing men whom he termed inexperienced to diplomatic posts and for what he characterized as a "raid upon the civil service of the United States."

"He kept us out of war," said Mr. Hughes, referring to the President, and a Democratic campaign slogan. "Yet he seized Vera Cruz. That was war—very ignoble war. And it was called war over the bodies of those dead soldiers; it was called a war of service."

Says Policy is Unknown.

"Talk about what is your policy. What is the President's policy? Does anyone know? Has the executive ever had a policy for more than six months on the Mexican question? I repeat: Who knows today what the policy of the administration will be three months hence? My friends, the trouble is that this administration has written such a record that no matter what it says you do not know whether it will stick to it."

"We have had an exhibition during the past three years, which I confess, fills me with a deep sense of shame. I have not a particle of militaristic spirit in my system, but if I am elected president I will see to it that American rights are respected."

Mr. Hughes assailed the administration's course toward upholding American rights abroad during the European war.

When Citizenry is Cheap.

"When I say that I am an American citizen," the nominee said, "I ought to say the proudest thing that any man can say in this world. But you can't have that pride if American citizenry is a cheap thing, if it is not worthy of protection this whole world over. There is no man who could successfully present to an American community the platform that an American citizen's rights stop at the coast line and that beyond that American life is to be the prey of any marauder that chooses to take it."

The nominee cited the Republican platform's declaration that 30,000 government positions had been taken from the operation of the civil service law during the present administration and declared "that sort of thing has got to stop."

Eminent Scientist Displaced.

He told of an instance, he said, where an eminent scientist, in the coast and geodetic survey, "a man of very eminent rank had been displaced to make room for an eminent stock breeder and veterinary surgeon."

The federal commission, Mr. Hughes charged was "fairly emasculated with the man, by the man, for the most part, who were appointed to places upon it." "It was inexcusable," Mr. Hughes said, "for the administration to take a country after country in Latin America, where we have frequently said we desired to cultivate the most friendly relations," men in the diplomatic service, "who had represented the country with credit and had acquired an admirable and important experience and "put in men utterly inexperienced."

Past administrations, the nominee said, "had sinned in that particular, but standards were being made and there were men in our service of long experience and fine training." Other appointments by the President were assailed.

NEW JERSEY MOOSE JOINS WILSON

Chairman of Progressive State Committee Offers His Services.

Newark, N. J., Aug. 9.—J. A. H. Hopkins, chairman of the New Jersey Progressive state committee, has placed his services at the disposal of President Wilson in his campaign for reelection. At the same time Mr. Hopkins said he was opposed to an official endorsement of the President by the Progressive organization.

Austrians Recapture Positions. Vienna, Aug. 8.—The Austrian official communication, issued here, says:

"Heavy fighting is taking place in the region of the Gorizia bridgehead and on the Doberdo plateau. Stubborn battles on Monte Sabino and Monte San Michele lasted throughout the whole night and have not been concluded. Counter attacks by the Austrians resulted in the recovery of a greater portion of the advanced positions captured by the Italians in their first assault.

GERMANS SUFFER FURTHER LOSSES; FRENCH ADVANCE

TEUTONS LOSE LINE OF TRENCHES ON RIVER SOMME AND ARE DRIVEN BACK ALSO IN THE VERDUN SECTOR.

TURKS DRIVEN BACK INTO DESERT NEAR SUEZ CANAL

Suffer Heavy Casualties at Hands of British Troops—Entirely Cleared Away From Katia-Umalahi—Violent Fighting Between Austrians and Italians.

London, Aug. 9.—A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says: "Their successes to the south of Brody bring the Russians within 14 miles of the Tarnopol-Lemberg railway. It is reported that the Austrian forces at Tarnopol already are retiring in the direction of Ziochhoff."

London, Aug. 9.—The Germans have suffered further losses at the hands of the French between the Hem wood and the river Somme, losing a line of trenches and 120 prisoners, and 10 machine guns and also in the Verdun sector, where the French advanced south of the Thaumouk work and captured five machine guns and took some houses in the western part of the village of Fleury. After a heavy bombardment the Germans launched violent infantry attacks north and northeast of Pozieres and at two places succeeded in entering British trenches. The British soon drove them out.

Turks Lose Heavily at Suez. The latest reports concerning the attack of the Turks against the British forces with the Suez canal their objective indicated that the Ottoman forces met with a reverse even more serious than was first chronicled. Driven back 18 miles into the desert, fighting rear guard actions, they suffered heavy casualties and of their total force of 14,000 lost, 45 officers and 3,000 men were prisoners. They now have been entirely cleared from the Katia-Umalahi basin.

Violent fighting is in progress between the Austrians and Italians, especially around the Gorizia bridgehead, on the Doberdo plateau and on the lower Isonzo river.

MEXICANS FIRE ACROSS BORDER AT U. S. TROOPS

Twenty Shots Believed Aimed at American Outpost Stationed Just Outside El Paso.

El Paso, Texas, Aug. 8.—From 15 to 20 shots were fired during the night on the Mexican side of the border which seemed to be aimed at an American outpost just outside the limits of El Paso, according to a report made to military headquarters by Lieut. H. B. Lewis, commanding the provost guard.

About two hours after the firing, outposts stationed a mile further down the river sent in word that they had just heard five shots on the Mexican side, but could not say whether they were aimed at the American side.

PLANNED "REIGN OF TERROR"

'Frisco Bomb Plot Suspects' Letters Are Made Public.

San Francisco, Aug. 5.—That Thomas J. Mooney, indicted for murder in connection with the preparedness parade bomb explosion, July 22, planned to inaugurate a reign of terror in San Francisco by importing "Direct action Reds" from other cities, was the declaration of District Attorney C. M. Flickert in making public some of the correspondence discovered by the police in Mooney's desk.

Mooney kept carbon copies of his letters. Henry J. Claussen, of Alameda, Cal., who died in a hospital here last night, was the ninth victim of the explosion to die.

LET U. S. AID WAR SUFFERERS

British Leave Way Open For Resumption of Negotiations.

London, Aug. 8.—The foreign office has sent a memorandum to Walter Hines Page, the American ambassador, which leaves the way open for a resumption of the negotiations for the feeding of the civilian population of German-occupied areas, the conditions for which, as laid down, by Great Britain, were recently rejected by Germany. The memorandum suggests that the United States government can reopen the question if it regards such a step as advisable and useful.

POPE PLANS PROTEST TO GERMANY

Paris, Aug. 8.—The pope, after a careful study of the protest against the deportation of inhabitants of northern France, has decided to make a protest to Germany, according to a news dispatch. The protest was sent to the pope by the bishop of Lille and the archbishop of Rheims. It is stated that the pope will ask Berlin that at least women and young girls be sent back to their homes and that he will publicly express his reprobation of the German military authorities, if his protest is ignored.

SUBMARINE DEUTSCHLAND STARTS FOR HOME



German merchant submarine Deutschland just as she started from Baltimore on her dash to sea. The Deutschland is bound for Bremen with her cargo of rubber, nickel and gold. She will have to evade the British cruisers that have been waiting for her to leave American waters.

BOMB BLOWS MAN TO BITS IN PARK IN KANSAS CITY

Kansas City, Aug. 9.—An unidentified man was blown to pieces here in a crowded city park when either dynamite or nitro-glycerine, believed to have been concealed in his pocket, exploded.

Police authorities are unable to tell how the explosive was set off. Parts of the man's body were blown 50 yards. Forty or fifty persons within a short radius were uninjured.

RAIL UNION LEADERS SILENT

OFFICIALS OF BROTHERHOODS WILL NOT DISCUSS STRIKE.

Declare All of Ballots Have Not Yet Been Counted—Gather for Conference.

New York, Aug. 8.—Officials of the four railroad brotherhoods who are in this city to attend the conference of managers here and inform them of the result of the vote of the 400,000 workers, which is reported to be overwhelmingly in favor of a strike on 225 railroads unless their demands for an eight-hour day and time and a half for overtime are granted, declined to make any statement that might indicate their future course.

Canvass Not Completed.

Timothy Shea, one of the brotherhood leaders who is superintending the count of the ballots, said that the canvass is not yet complete.

Dudley Field Malone, collector of the port; Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the Commission on Industrial Relations, and several officials of the brotherhoods, addressed a mass meeting here in favor of the eight-hour day.

TO RAISE GOPHER GUARD TO FULL WAR STRENGTH

Squads From Minnesota Regiments Now On Border Ordered to Stations for Recruiting Duty.

Llano Grande, Texas, Aug. 8.—Further indications of a long stay on the border are seen in the order issued by General James Parker to regimental commanders of the militia, detailing two officers and six men from each organization to return to their home station for recruiting duty.

Instructions are to make every effort to bring the regiments up to full war strength. To bring the three Minnesota regiments to this requirement, a total of approximately 2,000 additional men must be obtained.

Recruiting details from the Second and Third regiments will be assigned to the several cities from which these units are drawn while the bulk of the recruiting endeavor for the First will be in the Twin Cities.

OPPOSITION TO SALE OF DANISH INDIES GROWING

Open Meeting of Rigsdag to Discuss Disposal of Isles to United States.

Copenhagen, via London, Aug. 8.—While the belief still seems to prevail that a majority of the Rigsdag approves the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States, the agitation against thus disposing of the islands appears to be growing throughout the country.

On open meeting of the Rigsdag to discuss the ratification of the transfer has been fixed for Thursday. Should the Rigsdag ratify the sale of the islands the transfer will be arranged.

Army Appropriation Bill Reported. Washington, Aug. 8.—Carrying \$267,597,000, the general army appropriation bill has just been reported to both branches of Congress by the House-Senate conferees.

2 Frenchmen Take 100 Germans. Paris, Aug. 8.—Corporal Gouteaubier of the French light infantry has been decorated with a military cross by President Poincare for capturing 100 Germans, including two officers, aided only by a single companion. It was on July 20 before Hemwood. From a hollow well sustained fusillade was being poured on the flank of the French. Gouteaubier, with a companion, approached the spot whence the firing came. Gullot threw bombs into their midst and the fire ceased, and the enemy surrendered.

Detroit Welcomes G. O. P. Nominee. Detroit, Mich., Aug. 8.—Upon his arrival here Charles Evans Hughes headed a long automobile parade from the station to his hotel a mile and a half away. A brass band played popular tunes and giant firecrackers were exploded along the line of march. Thousands of persons witnessed the parade.

With Mr. Hughes' arrival it became known that an advisory committee of five or nine members probably would be named during the week by Chairman Willcox to assist him in the management of the campaign.

BREMEN SEEN OFF COAST OF MAINE

TWO SUBMARINES BELIEVED TO BE GERMAN MERCHANTMAN AND CONSORT WATCHED.

CLOSE TO THREE-MILE LIMIT

Undersea Liner May Be Preparing to Make Dash Into Boston—Navy Department Announces That No U. S. Submarines Are Near.

Portland, Me., Aug. 9.—Every point along the Maine coast is watching sharply for two submarines, believed to be foreign vessels and possibly the long expected German merchantman Bremen and a consort.

The strange vessels were reported four miles off Cross Island, near Machias, and close to Canadian waters by a coast guard lookout, who said they were proceeding at top speed toward the west.

Later a thick fog made observation impossible. The lookout, Lowell W. Dunn, was unable to distinguish the nationality of the strange craft which he saw, but was insistent that they were submarines. Capt. Fred E. Small, in command of the station at Cross Island, was equally certain that Dunn's statement was correct.

Prepares to Slip Into Boston.

It was suggested that a tug towing a whaleback vessel might have accounted for the statement of Dunn. Both of them, it was argued, might have been lost to view in the fog and not because they had submerged.

The Navy department announced that no American submarines were off the Maine coast.

Information that no British submarines were cruising in these waters seems to create the impression in the minds of many marine observers that the Bremen was dodging about close to the three-mile limit, preparing to slip into Boston. Another possibility considered was that the coast guard crew might have seen the Deutschland, driven out of her course, or else sticking closely to shore.

WILSON'S CAMPAIGN WILL START SEPTEMBER FIRST

Decision Reached at Conference Between President and Chairman of National Committee.

Washington, Aug. 8.—A decision to launch the Democratic national campaign soon after September 1, regardless of whether Congress still is in session then, was reached at a conference between President Wilson, Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the Democratic national committee, and Homer S. Cummings, the committee's vice chairman.

FARM LOAN BOARD CONVENES

Federal Body Has First Session—To Designate 12 Districts.

Washington, Aug. 8.—The new federal farm loan board met for the first time Monday to work out plans for a land bank credit system as provided for by the act of congress creating the board. The first work of the board, after effecting organization, will be to divide the United States into 12 federal land bank districts. Before this is done the board probably will hold hearings in various parts of the country to ascertain the views of farmers on the question.

British Ship Torpedoed

Copenhagen, Aug. 8.—The Norwegian newspaper Tidens Tegn of Christiania, states that the steamer Aaro, a British vessel of 2,603 tons, has been torpedoed by a German submarine. The newspaper gives no details.

King George is Determined. London, Aug. 7.—King George telegraphed the heads of the Allied states on the occasion of the second anniversary of Great Britain's entry into the war as follows:

"On this, the second anniversary of the commencement of the great conflict in which my country and her gallant Allies are engaged, I desire to convey to you my steadfast resolution to prosecute the war until our united efforts have attained the objects for which we in common have taken up arms."

MILLIONAIRE BATTERY START ON TEXAS HIKE

Camp Wilson, San Antonio, Aug. 9.—The "millionaire" battery—C of the First Illinois field artillery—started with more than 150 men and 80 horses on a hike to Selma, Texas. Harry J. Powers, son of a well-known Chicago theatrical man, was thrown from a horse, but only slightly injured. It was reported. Among others thrown was Fred Corlis, a University of Illinois athlete.

RUSSIANS TAKE SIX TOWNS

ATTACKS ALONG RIVERS SOUTH OF BRODY SUCCESSFUL.

Slavs Capture Regimental Commander and More Than 5,000 Men—Drive Enemy From House to House.

Petrograd, Aug. 8.—Russian attacks along the Sereth and Graberka rivers south of Brody in northern Galicia have broken the Teutonic resistance which resulted in capture by the Russians of six villages and the entire ridge along which they are located, according to a war office announcement.

Furious fighting marked the engagement, the Russians being forced in the villages to drive their adversaries from house to house. The Austro-Germans, at last reports were bombarding violently their lost positions.

The Russians captured a regimental commander and 140 other officers and more than 5,500 men and also took numerous machine guns and bomb throwers.

Berlin admits that the Russians have gained the left bank of the Sereth river.

BRITISH STEAMER MEETS AND DESTROYS SUBMARINE

Captain Upon Arrival at Baltimore Tells of Engagement in Mediterranean Sea.

Baltimore, Aug. 7.—Capt. David Thomson, master of the British steamship Strathness, which arrived here from Mediterranean ports, told of an engagement which he declared his vessel had with a German submarine on July 15 in which the submarine was sunk.

Two gunners who were in charge of a six-pound gun mounted on the after-deck of the Strathness for defensive purposes, sank the submarine, according to Captain Thomson, when a ball struck it amidships, causing an explosion. He said the underwater boat dived suddenly and was not seen again.

BLAMED FOR NEW YORK BLAST

Commerce Commission in Charge of Munitions is Assailed.

Washington, Aug. 8.—In an attack upon the Interstate Commerce commission, which has charge of the supervision of the transportation of explosives, Representative Hamill of New Jersey charged that the commission was responsible for the Black Tom Island disaster last Sunday. The commission's regulations, he said, were practically written by the Du Ponts.

SIGNAL CORPS MEN FIRED ON

Fourth Texas Infantrymen Sent to Search for Mexican Bandits.

San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 7.—Four United States signal corps men were fired on at a point about half way between Marfa and Presidio, Texas, according to a report transmitted to General Funston by Colonel Gaston at Marfa. The report did not say who fired the shots but explained that 30 guardsmen of the Fourth Texas infantry had been sent out to search for Mexican bandits or snipers.

War Victims Eat Comrades.

Boston, Aug. 9.—Rather than starve to death Armenians are eating human flesh, according to a cable dispatch received by the American committee for Armenian and Syrian relief. The dispatch is from "a high diplomatic authority in Turkey."

GREAT OFFENSIVE BEGUN BY ITALIAN TROOPS ON ISONZO

LATINS DRIVE FORWARD DESPITE MOUNTAINOUS NATURE OF GROUND AND CAPTURE 3,000 PRISONERS.

AUSTRIANS DESTROYING VILLAGES NEAR GORIZITZ

Swept from Right Bank of Isonzo Almost Completely—Allied Forces Carry Our Enveloping Move Which Makes Possible Capture of Many.

Rome, Aug. 9.—Italian troops are at the beginning of a vast offensive, the results of which are certain, although they may be slow. This is the general conviction here.

In the Monfalcone sector, where the mountainous nature of the ground makes fighting difficult, Italian troops drove forward, despite the fact that the positions held by the Austrians were exceptionally favorable, and captured 3,000 prisoners.

Enveloping Move Gains. Troops from Turin and Leghorn carried out an enveloping movement which made possible the gathering in of prisoners in large numbers.

Along the Isonzo and on the Carso plateau the Italian attacks are being pushed vigorously.

Austrian troops have been dislodged from several more positions and the right bank of the Isonzo has been swept almost clear of Teutons.

According to reports from the Isonzo front the Austrians have begun to destroy villages in the vicinity of Goritz. Many Austrians have been captured in this region.

The war is being conducted with such secrecy and so little is made known to the public at large that semi-official hints that Italy is to expand its attack into a tremendous drive against the hated Austrians have aroused a feeling of general rejoicing.

Awaits Word to Strike.

With reports from France and Belgium that the Allies are making further headway against the Germans, with dispatches from the Russian front telling of the most important gain by the Muscovites in a fortnight, with dispatches from Athens stating that 680,000 British, French and Serbian troops, 60 per cent of whom are seasoned veterans, are only awaiting the word to strike, it is recognized by even the ragamuffin "war fan" on the street that now is the opportune moment for Italy to strike its most effective blows against the Central empires.

VAST MAJORITY OF U. S. TRAINMEN FAVOR STRIKE

About 94 per Cent of 400,000 Men Affiliated With Four Brotherhoods Vote for Walkout.

New York, Aug. 9.—About 94 per cent of the railway trainmen affiliated with the four great brotherhoods have voted in favor of a strike, it was formally announced Tuesday after the vote had been tabulated.

The count represents the decision of about 400,000 railway employees of 225 roads with a mileage of about 250,000 or practically every mile in the United States.

Soon after the figures were presented, the conference adjourned to allow the railway managers to consider the result.

Each union head presented his figures in different form. W. S. Stone, for the engineers, reported 98.17 per cent in favor of a strike in the South-eastern district; 90.35 per cent in the Western and 94.64 per cent in the East ern.

BRITISH PURSUE TURKS

London, Aug. 9.—British troops pursuing the Turkish forces defeated at Romani have caught up with the Turkish rear guard six miles east of Katia about 30 miles east of the Suez canal says an official statement regarding the campaign in Egypt. Quantities of war material are being gathered by the British from the Romani battlefield, adds the statement.

Plague Victims' Blood to Make Serum.

New York, Aug. 9.—Twelve persons who have recovered from attacks of infantile paralysis have volunteered to give quantities of their blood to be used in the preparation of serum for the treatment of the disease, as the result of an appeal for volunteers in fighting the epidemic. Sufficient blood was taken from two volunteers to treat nine cases. Dr. Haven Emerson, health commissioner, said that 40 patients have been treated with the serum from subjects and the results have been satisfactory.