

GERMANS DEFEND USE OF GASES

Says They Are No More Inhuman Than Is Inundation of Land.

Berlin, Germany, June 25.—A defence of Germany's use of asphyxiating gases is contained in a semi-official statement issued here. It claims the use of gases is no more inhuman than the inundation of land in Belgium by the Belgians...

This communication is said to have been dated Feb. 21, before the Germans employed gas in their attack upon Ypres. This circular, which it is claimed, emanated from the French war ministry, is headed "remarks upon projectiles with stifling gases and says among other things:

"So-called projectiles with stifling gases produced in our central workshop contain a fluid which pours out after explosion gases which inflame the eyes, nose and throat. There are two sorts, grenades and cartridges.

The circular then purports to describe both kinds of projectiles, remarking: "The purpose of the hand grenade is to make the vicinity and place where it is exploded untenable. Its effectiveness is materially decreased by a strong wind. The cartridges are intended for use at a greater distance than the grenades. They can be thrown or fired from a pocket pistol. They have the same purpose as the grenade, but owing to the small amount of fluid, they should be fired in considerable numbers simultaneously.

Under the heading, "precautionary measures to be employed in attacks in which such projectiles with stifling gases are thrown," the circular says the vapors caused by such projectiles will not prove fatal at least in small quantities, and that their effect will be only of temporary duration, depending upon atmospheric conditions. The attacking troops, it adds, should be provided with protective glasses and instructed that unpleasant sensations in the nose and throat are not dangerous and will not be permanent.

Compares With Inundation. The German statement refers to alleged reports published in American newspapers that the Lusitania carried 250,000 pounds of tetra-chloride of tin concealed in the French government and intended for the production of asphyxiating gases. Speaking of alleged efforts to arouse American sympathies against Germany for her use of gas, the statement says a proviso against the use of gas in The Hague convention, against the votes of the American delegates, was added to the protocol that it had not been proved that shells with asphyxiating gases were an inhuman or unnecessarily cruel method of war.

NETHERLANDS STEAMER IS SUNK BY A MINE

London, Eng., June 25.—A dispatch received here from Stockholm says that the Netherlands steamer, Ceres, from Amsterdam for Lulea, Sweden, has sunk as a result of striking a mine near Foderhamn, in the gulf of Pollnia. The crew was saved.

The ordinary cost of a Want Ad in the El Paso Herald is 25 cents. It reaches an average of about 100,000 readers each issue.

The War At a Glance

THE left bank of the river Danube has been entirely cleared of the Teutonic troops, who forced their way across at two points early this week, according to latest Russian official statements, but the Austro-German forces are making desperate efforts to effect a passage elsewhere.

Bridging operations were begun by the Germans and Austrians south of Bukara-Zowice on the very night the remnants of the detachments which had previously crossed in the Kosany district and near Martynofstany were being driven back in the former and captured in the latter region, the Russians report.

The battle is still raging at the contact point in the vicinity of the Teutonic drive in the Orzyo region is indicated, however, the Russians reporting that they were forced to give way before an annihilating artillery fire. No important change is reported east of the contact point.

Another Drive at Warsaw.—Military observers venture no more than vague speculation as to whether the Teutonic drive at Warsaw or renewed activity on a huge scale by the Germans in Flanders is impending.

Progress is being made along the Isonzo, according to the Italian statement. The most recent definite news of the Dardanelles is a report by the Turkish war office that on June 23 a Turkish patrol destroyed a party of the allies and captured arms and other booty.

The French report comparative inactivity along the west front. Their progress has been checked in places by the conditions of the ground, due to recent storms.

Socialists Call for Peace.—An interesting communication has been published in the shape of a full page appeal for peace from the Social Democratic party in Germany. The people want peace, the appeal declares. Opposition of the party to territorial conquest is clearly stated.

RUSSIANS TRY DESPERATELY TO RECLAIM LOST GROUND

Washington, D. C., June 25.—The war department is being caused serious concern owing to the numerous resignations of ordnance officers and skilled employees at the government arsenals who say they are being offered much more money to work for private firms manufacturing war munitions than their present salaries from the government. Some have been given their resignation contracts. Secretary of war Garrison has called upon the attorney general for an opinion whether an army officer has an inalienable right to resign in time of peace.

HOOKEWORM CAMPAIGN IN TEXAS IS ORDERED OFF

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GEORGIA CLUB PICNIC

Georgians are having their annual picnic and watermelon feast at Yaletta this afternoon and a dinner will be given this evening. The picnic is being given by the Georgia club and a large number attended. The picnic party was taken to Yaletta in automobiles.

IMPORTERS BEG WILSON FOR AID

Urge That He Insist That England Shall Respect American Shipping.

(Continued From Page One.) have obligated ourselves to take this merchandise and now that a considerable portion of such merchandise is finished and ready for shipment, the manufacturers are demanding payment. We are in the quandary of having to pay for our merchandise. In addition, we have sold much of this merchandise to American business houses to whom we are now responsible for delivery.

"The concession of the British government that we may receive such goods as have been paid for prior to March 1 is of no avail to us. The undersigned are responsible American houses enjoying a good credit who, in general, do not have to pay for their merchandise before it is delivered."

"With all deference to your excellency," the document continues, "who we know has at heart the protection of American commerce, we respectfully call attention to the urgency of the situation and the pressing necessity of our knowing very soon whether we shall be able to continue our legitimate business under the protection of well established principles of law which have been so ably and apparently pointed out by the state department in its diplomatic correspondence with Great Britain."

"No Effective Blockade." "We maintain that, since a Swedish merchant can ship to a German port, we also, as citizens of this country, have the same right and that these facts convincingly prove that there is no effective blockade of nearly the entire German coast."

The importers appeal to the president, not only on the ground that their own business would be injured, but on the ground that the only prospect for peace is an insistence for those guarantees which have been won from the belligerent powers under the leadership of the United States of America. We respectfully ask your excellency to firmly insist that the illegitimate pretensions of the warring countries be not extended beyond those exceptions already enumerated upon the principles of international law."

ORDNANCE OFFICERS ARE LEAVING SERVICE OF U. S.

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RUSSIANS WIN SIX DAY BATTLE

Petrograd, Russia, June 25.—The Russians are continuing successfully to hold their lines along the Danube. After a six day battle the Austro-Germans have been defeated at Kozara and Rudany, northwest of Kallce. At Martynovo (Martynofstany) a similar attempt to gain a foothold on the Russian side of the river, was repulsed.

PART OF ROMANIAN ARMY IS REPORTED DISBANDED

Berlin, Germany, June 25.—According to the correspondent of the Mittag Zeitung, in Bucharest, the Rumanian cabinet has voted to disband part of the army and give the soldiers long furloughs. The action was taken, it was stated, at the instance of the premier and minister of war, M. Bratianu, who explained that "negotiations with Russia would require a long time."

MEXICAN HAS 20 POUNDS OF COPPER WHEN ARRESTED

Miguel Delgado, an employe of the Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio railroad, was arrested at noon Saturday charged with stealing copper bullion from a car in the yards of the railroad company. The man is said to have had in his possession when arrested 20 pounds of the metal.

Renaudo Alverdin, who resides at 3309 Talavera street, reported to the police Saturday morning that a horse belonging to him was stolen during a night from Madera and Estrella streets.

News Brevities

Train Bulletin. All afternoon and night trains are reported on time for today.

Dr. Hurley, 213 Herald Bldg. Diseases of children, and nervous troubles.

Our steel fence posts will end your fence troubles. Lander Lumber Co.

Recruits Go to Coast. A carload of recruits from Fort Logan barracks will pass through here tonight en route to Pacific coast points.

Our light truck will get lumber, floors, window roofing, screen doors and builders hardware to you NOW. Lander Lumber Co.

Photograph Is Stolen. Miss Laura Hambright, who has a room at the National hotel, reported to the police Friday evening that her

RUSSIA'S WAR MINISTER QUILTS

London, Eng., June 25.—Gen. W. A. Soukhomlinoff, the Russian minister of war, has resigned, according to a dispatch from Petrograd to Reuters' telegram company. It is understood that Gen. Polivanoff, a former assistant minister of war, will succeed Gen. Soukhomlinoff.

London Editor Dies

London, Eng., June 25.—Alexander Kennedy, editor of the London Daily Mirror, died today at the age of 54 years.

Dr. Ebert, dentist, 219-213 Mills Bldg.

Alderman Jolly Is Ill. Alderman W. G. Jolly is confined to his home by illness. It was reported at the city hall Saturday that Mr. Jolly is better and will be able to resume his duties shortly.

Tom Henda Spanish Scout. Madrid, Spain, June 25.—Joaquin Sanchez Toca, former minister of justice, has been chosen president of the Spanish senate.

Ask about our reinforced Malthoid asbestos top roof in colors. Lander Lumber Co.

Honduras Sends Cattle To U. S. East St. Louis, Ill., June 25.—For the first time in the history of the National Stockyards, a shipment of cattle from Honduras, Central America, is en route to East St. Louis. Announcement was made here tonight that 4000 head had been bought in Honduras.

Tornado Kills Two. Red Cliff, Alberta, June 25.—Two persons were killed, ten injured and property was damaged to the extent of \$500,000 by a tornado which swept this section Friday night.

Dr. Jamieson, Diseases of Kidney, Bladder, Skin and Rectum, 618 Mills Bldg.

\$500,000,000 Spent For Music. Los Angeles, Calif., June 25.—The people of the United States spend near-

ly \$500,000,000 annually for music in various forms, according to statistics presented Friday to the National Federation of Musical Clubs, which is in session here. The delegates were of the opinion that part of this—or an adequate sum in addition—should be spent to develop musical education in the public schools.

El Paso Unified Water Co., Ph. 493.

Nashville Treasurer Arrested. Nashville, Tenn., June 25.—City treasurer Charles Meyers was arrested here Friday night on a warrant sworn out by controller Burns, which alleged the treasurer had not accounted for more than \$10,000 collected from banks as interest on municipal deposits. He was released on bond. Burns also filed suit to place the city in the hands of receivers, in connection with the recent disappearance of a number of municipal records and charging that large amounts had been stolen from the city treasury.

Dr. A. T. 3611 Oesophageal Infirmity. Dr. Ira W. Collins, physician in chief, Dr. M. Altkra, lady specialist; Dr. Carl Gibson, 231 W. Missouri street. They cure others. They can cure you.

Did Lawyer Hammer Relative? Pittsburg, Pa., June 25.—Thomas G. Forbes, aged 32, an attorney of Washington, D. C., is being held by the police on a charge of having made a murderous attack on his father-in-law, Franklin Schneider, a millionaire candy manufacturer, whose home is also in Washington. The attack, it is alleged, took place in a room of a local hotel early Thursday. The candy manufacturer was struck on the head with a hammer.

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