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WARSHIPS BOMBARD GERMAN NAVAL BASE

British Fleet Returned Undamaged After Attack on Ostend - Aerial Attacks on Other German Establishments in Belgium Were Continued

London, June 5.—A German destroyer was sunk and another was damaged in a running fight between six German destroyers and Commodore Tyrwhitt's squadron, the admiralty announced today.

The official statement given out this forenoon said: "Commander Tyrwhitt reports that early this morning a force of light cruisers and destroyers under his command sighted six German destroyers and engaged them at long range, a running fight ensuing. One of the enemy destroyers was sunk by our gun fire and another was severely damaged. Seven survivors were picked up and made prisoners. There were no casualties on our side."

London, June 5.—The German naval base at Ostend has been bombed by British warships, the admiralty announced, and the British forces were not damaged. Further aerial attacks on German establishments in Belgium are officially reported.

BRITISH MADE RAIDS AND CAPTURED SOME PRISONERS ON NORTH END OF LINE.

London, June 5.—The British official statement last night was as follows: "Successful raids were carried out by us during the day north of Armentieres and south of Wytschaete. In addition to other casualties inflicted upon the enemy we captured 37 prisoners, including one officer."

"Our own and the enemy's artillery has shown considerable activity during the day south of Gouzeaucourt, in the neighborhood of Vimy ridge and in the Ypres sector."

"In the course of bombing raids on Saturday night, our airplanes obtained hits upon four enemy trains, one of which was completely destroyed."

"In air fighting, six German airplanes were brought down and one other was driven down out of control. Four of our airplanes failed to return."

FORCED BRITISH TO RETIRE ON BELGIAN FRONT

German War Office Reports Victory After Heavy Artillery Fire During Last Night.

Berlin, via London, June 5.—In heavy artillery fire last night on the Belgian front, the war office reports, the Germans compelled the retirement of the British. Efforts to learn the effects of the fire were successful, as it developed that the British had been materially repulsed.

FRENCH REGAINED ALL POSITIONS ON AISNE FRONT

Paris Official Statement Declares All the Ground Taken by Germans a Short Time Ago Was Recaptured Monday.

Paris, June 5.—The positions captured by the Germans on the Aisne front were retaken yesterday by the French, it was officially announced today. There is violent artillery fighting in Champagne.

BRUSSIOFF AT HEAD OF RUSSIAN ARMY

Succeeds Alexieff Who Was Appointed to That Post on April 15—New Head Won Fame in Galicia Offensive.

Petrograd, via London, June 5.—General Michael V. Alexieff, commander-in-chief of the Russian armies, has resigned. General Alexis Brusiloff, commander-in-chief of the armies of the southwestern front, has been appointed to succeed him.

General Gurke, commander on the western front, replaced Brusiloff on the southwestern front.

General Alexieff was replaced commander-in-chief on April 15 soon after the retirement of Grand Duke Nicholas from that post.

General Brusiloff recently resigned from his position as commander-in-chief of the armies of the southwestern front, but withdrew his resignation after a conference at Petrograd.

GERMANY PLOTTING WITH PROMINENT RUSSIAN PEOPLE

Finding It Useless to Come to an Understanding with the Provisional Government, It Is Trying a New Method to Disarm Russia.

Copenhagen, via London, June 5.—A program for sweeping changes in the Russian government is put forward in a newly formed plan of an independent committee said to be working here for peace with Germany. The organization of Pan-Germans was represented and its policy of blood and iron was the principal note of the gathering, the speakers advocating plans of German territorial aggrandizement.

It was stated that it is useless to attempt a separate peace with the provisional government, but the suggestion was received that advantage might be taken of the present situation to approach prominent Russians with peace proposals.

JOFFRE IS ASSIGNED TO MAKE PLANS FOR PARTICIPATION BY U. S. ARMY.

Paris, June 5.—Marshal Joffre has been designated by the minister of war to continue his work begun in Washington, of assisting to organize American participation in the war. He will therefore be the representative of the French government in co-operating with the American commander, Maj. Gen. Pershing.

Lieut. Col. Fabry, as chief of staff, and Lieut. Delessan as aid, both members of the French war commission to the United States, will continue with the marshal. When Gen. Pershing reaches Paris he will be received by M. Viviani, minister of justice, and Marshal Joffre, and will be escorted through some of the principal streets so that Parisians may have an opportunity to see the distinguished American soldier.

FRENCH DEPUTIES RENEW DEMAND FOR REPARATION

Also Declare That Territories Occupied by Germany Must Be Liberated and Alsace-Lorraine Returned to France.

Paris, June 5.—By a vote of 453 to 45 the Chamber of Deputies in secret session adopted a resolution, declaring that peace conditions must include liberation of the territories occupied by Germany, the return of Alsace-Lorraine, and reparation for damage done.

DESERTERS APPEALED TO. GERMANY OFFERS THEM SOFT PUNISHMENT UP TO JULY 15.

London, June 5.—A decree in Berlin, as reported from Amsterdam in a Central News dispatch, appeals to deserters to return to their colors before July 15. Those who do so may look for amelioration of punishment or for pardon if their conduct in the field is creditable. Furthermore, the decree says, the offer will not be repeated.

CONVICTS BATTLED WITH SOLDIERS AT JOLIET, ILL.

Set Five Buildings Afire and Attacked Firemen Who Attempted to Extinguish the Flames—Later They Defied Militia.

Joliet, Ill., June 5.—Serious rioting among convicts at the state prison here broke out this morning. Five buildings were set afire. Companies E and F of the 3d Illinois infantry, now in federal service and encamped near here, were called to assist guards in quelling the disturbance. Three fire companies, which responded to the alarm, were attacked by convicts, who used bricks and tools stolen from the implement house as weapons.

The first work of the soldiers was to clear away the convicts from the blazing buildings so that firemen could work. It was quickly accomplished. Three hours afterward the convicts had not been subdued, but the soldiers were making progress in heading them toward the prison. The infantry men were instructed not to shoot unless to save their own lives.

RAILROADS DESERVE RAISE. CHAIRMAN THORNE TOLD INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

Washington, D. C., June 5.—Chairman Thorne, representing the national shippers' conference, told the interstate commerce commission at its hearing today on the application of the railroads for increased rates that under the extraordinary conditions now prevailing the railroads are entitled to an increase of three and eight-tenths on rates.

FRAUD IS CHARGED. ROY C. MORASH ALLEGED TO HAVE IMPERSONATED BRITISH OFFICER.

Boston, June 5.—Roy C. Morash, who is alleged by the police to have represented himself as a British army officer and to have solicited funds in a number of New England cities for the funerals of Americans supposed to have been killed in the European war, was arrested here yesterday. He was charged with defrauding a woman in the Roxbury district of \$26. Morash said he lived in Nova Scotia.

PUT UNDER HEAVY BAIL. JOHN MOTTHAM CHARGED WITH URGING YOUNG MEN NOT TO REGISTER.

Boston, June 5.—John Mottham of Norwood, a mill operator, who was arrested yesterday on a charge of urging young men not to register as required in President Wilson's proclamation, was held in \$10,000 bail for the grand jury, after a preliminary hearing before a federal commissioner here today. The respondent pleaded not guilty.

U. S. FLEET AT RIO JANEIRO

Brazilian Chamber of Deputies Cabled Message of Congratulation ON THE ARRIVAL OF THE WARSHIPS

Navy Department at Washington Will Make No Comment

Rio Janeiro, June 5.—The Chamber of Deputies voted today to authorize the cabling of a message of congratulation to the Congress of the United States on the arrival of an American squadron.

Washington, D. C., June 5.—The dispatch from Rio Janeiro was the first public information of the acceptance of plans whereby British cruisers and American warships are to act together in the south Atlantic. "For the present the navy department officials will make no comment."

ULTIMATE AIM OF U. S. LIBERTY. SELF-GOVERNMENT

Sec. McAdoo Told Boston Audience That United States Must Use All Her Influence for Rule of the People.

Boston, June 5.—The ultimate aim of the United States is liberty and self-government for all people, Sec. McAdoo said in a noon address here today. "These blessings are in store for enemies as well as our allies," he continued. "The United States must use all of her influence and power when she sits in the councils of peace for such an adjustment that every nation shall be ruled as she is ruled, by the people."

WILSON WAS CHEERED BY EX-CONFEDERATES

When He Declared That "Not a Man of Us" Would Not Hold Himself in Readiness to Serve the Government.

Washington, D. C., June 5.—President Wilson, in addressing the Confederate veterans at their reunion here today, declared that the country today was beginning to understand why the nation was kept united. Men of the United States, he said, have a love of liberty at heart and now are to be an instrument in the hands of providence for a liberty of mankind.

The president said that as he was coming to the meeting his mind was turned toward the long lines of young men all over the country who are registering for army service. "There is not a man of us who would not hold himself ready to serve the government under which he lives," the president told the veterans, who responded with a rousing cheer.

AUSTRIAN PREMIER IN PERIL

Because of Racial Grievances to Be Aired. Petrograd, via London, June 5.—A Vienna dispatch, discussing the convening of the Reichsrat, says that the position of the Austrian premier has become more and more perilous since the opening of Parliament. The greatest trouble is likely to arise through the airing of grievances of the Czechs, Germans, Poles and Socialists.

ANARCHISTS RIOTED. TURBULENT TIMES WERE SEEN ABOUT A NEW YORK HALL.

New York, June 5.—Battling stubbornly with a small army of police, a crowd of several thousand men and women tried vainly last night to break through the cordon of officers which had been thrown around a hall in the Bronx where an anti-registration mass meeting was held. Clubs were wielded freely by the officers and several arrests were made before order was restored.

The meeting was arranged by the No-Conscription league, in which Emma Goldman and Benjamin Reitman are the leading spirits. The charge upon the police was made when the doors were locked by order of representatives of the fire department.

Lines began to form two hours before the time set for the meeting and 20 minutes after the doors were opened the building was crowded. Those who had failed to gain entrance were packed in solid phalanxes for a distance of four blocks back from the hall.

The authorities expected trouble, however, and were prepared to meet it. Nearly 300 patrolmen and detectives were stationed at vantage points around the building. Police automobiles equipped with searchlights and each carrying two patrolmen armed with rifles patrolled the streets in the neighborhood. Innumerable agents of the department of justice and secret service mingled with the crowds, while companies of the Home Defense league with their regular police. Three regular army soldiers were stationed at each of the doors leading into the hall.

When the crowd had been forced back, several hundred young men climbed on a high fence opposite the hall and hoisted the police as they worked. When Reitman and Emma Goldman appeared they were cheered. At various points near the hall impromptu meetings were held when volunteer orators mounted fences and inveighed against conscription and militarism. They were accorded much applause.

MILITIA CALLED TO STOP RIOTING IN STATE PRISON

Three Fires Were Set in the Joliet, Ill., Prison and Temporary Warden Telegraphed for Assistance.

Chicago, Ill., June 5.—Rioting in the state prison at Joliet, 40 miles from Chicago, was reported today. The temporary warden telegraphed Gov. Lowden asking for the militia. Three fires were set in the prison.

ALIENS RUSH TO DECLARE. EIGHTY MADE APPEARANCE BEFORE U. S. COURT SESSION IN BARRE.

Eighty aliens, natives of Italy, Great Britain, Germany, India, Spain and Syria, appeared yesterday afternoon and last evening at the Barre city court room before Clerk Fred S. Platt of the United States court and took steps toward becoming citizens of the United States. A total of 59 were granted their first papers and 21 made application for the final papers.

Following is the list of those granted first papers: Luigi Fornarelli, Italy, Montpelier; Gabriel Boari, Italy, Barre; Guy Dindo, Italy, Barre; Howard N. Hansen, Canada, Plainfield; Gaetano Rosso, Canada, Barre; George C. McKenzie, Scotland, Graniteville; Peter F. Landi, Italy, Barre; Alfredo Farari, Italy, Barre; John McLean, England, Williamstown; Leonard Spagnoli, Germany, Barre; Alex Aitken, Scotland, Barre; Fausto Bagnari, Italy, Barre; Carlo Bianchi, Italy, East Barre; John L. McHardy, Scotland; Robert Findley, Scotland, Antonio Bianchi, Italy, Giovanni Pansa, Italy, of Barre; Ola Neilson, Norway, Easton; Alfonso Gelfa, Italy, Louise Ferrati, Italy, Emile Croteau, Canada, Giuseppe Passetto, Italy, all of Barre; Joseph Hanna, Ireland, Graniteville; William J. Duncan, India, James Mavor, Scotland, George Ledoux, Canada, Giovanni Caranchini, Italy, all of Barre; John Lynch, England, Graniteville; Carlo Fontani, Italy, Valentin J. Colombo, Italy, Mario Purcelli, Italy, Giovanni Comelli, Italy, Guido Cabrin, Italy, John Battano, Italy, Thomas Alex. Findley, Scotland, John B. Cooper, Scotland, James Munroe, Scotland, Archibald Allan, Scotland, John Fraser, Scotland, Luis San Miguel, Spain, Peter Jordan, Canada, Francesco Bianchi, Italy, Giovanni Guidali, Italy, John B. Robinson, Canada, Henry J. Ellis, Canada, Alex M. Morris, Scotland, Giuseppe Calio, Italy, Richard Menegat, Italy, Amelio Calcagni, Italy, Stefano Molina, Italy, Angelo Lanciotti, Italy, Celso Rottelli, Italy, Giuseppe Monti, Italy, Walter Timmons, Canada, Peter Rattazzi, Italy, James B. Edward, Scotland, Giuseppe Francesca, Italy, William Ribbner, Scotland, and Marcello E. Bernasconi, Italy, all of Barre.

The 21 who applied for second papers were: Robert Baxter, Scotland, Hardwick; Alex M. Sim, Scotland, Hardwick; William Sim, Scotland, Hardwick; William Taylor, England, Brookfield; Alex B. Young, Scotland, Francesco Manesca, Italy, Gerald Holmes, England, Egmont, Marchess, Italy, Eduardo Alonzo, Spain, Gen. Ysuela, Spain, Dominick V. Theriault, Canada, Salon Alabuci, Italy, Leopolda Albizati, Italy, Dino Berte, Italy, Luigi Bianchi, Italy, Domenico Rossi, Italy, Emelio Giovannelli, Italy, Peter Beaulieu, Canada, Paul Mascetti, Italy, Nash Murray, Syria, Giuseppe Galli, all of Barre.

Clerk Platt is holding court in Montpelier today, but it is expected that only about 20 will appear to ask for both first and second papers.

MILD REBUKE GIVEN EX-OVERSEER CLAPP OF THE POOR DEPT.

City Council Accepted Report of Special Committee, Which Stated That Former Official Violated City Charter in Having Dealings with City.

After accepting the special committee's report sustaining the auditors in their contention that former Overseer of the Poor W. J. Clapp violated the city charter in having business dealings with the city while holding municipal office, the city council last night imposed a mild rebuke on the ex-official and warned other city officials against similar action.

This decision was not reached until after considerable debate, in which the sentiment seemed to prevail that the auditors undoubtedly were right but that the matter was such "small potatoes" that it would not be worth while for the city to institute proceedings.

The special committee, consisting of Mayor Glysson, City Clerk Mackay and City Attorney Wishart, reported as follows: "Your special committee to whom was referred certain matters relating to the Overseer of the Poor respectfully refers to the report of the auditors which they have submitted to the council and made their statement regarding them."

Alderman Rossi thought the charter ought to be upheld, but at the same time he was inclined to agree with some others that the matter was too small for extended litigation. Alderman Healy considered that the auditors had exceeded their authority. Alderman Milne was for overlooking the matter because it was so small. Alderman Loranger was of somewhat similar views. Alderman Reynolds said little, but he thought a violation was a violation. Alderman Bruce was absent.

Finally, out of the confusion of talk, a motion was framed and formally made by Alderman Milne as follows: "That the matters referred to in the previous report were technically a violation of the charter, but the matter does not seem to be intentional and no further action is necessary in the matter further than to draw the attention of other officers so that the same will not occur again." As thus framed, the motion prevailed.

Other business was rushed along by Mayor Glysson. The report of the fire committee that Frank Nichols be permitted to erect a steel garage was accepted. James F. Higgins was allowed 75 cents for a hen killed by a canine. James Ahern was given permission to erect a roof of a shop; Will Spear to erect a tool house; Fred Canton to build

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MILLIONS ARE REGISTERING FOR SERVICE

Reports Received in Washington Up to Noon Tell of No Disturbances, Although Information from Large Cities Was Rather Meagre at That Hour

NOTHING TO SHOW MARKED EVASION

Government Officials Expressed Confidence That the Country's Experiment with Military Draft Would Not Show Attempt to Avoid Service

Washington, D. C., June 5.—At noon today the registration was proceeding all over the country without reports of disturbance of any kind. No definite reports had been received from the South, where organized resistance had been expected, nor from the larger cities, where organized conspiracies against registration were discovered. There was nothing, however, to show whether the registration was being evaded to any extent, but officials were confident that the returns would show no evasion.

GUARDSMEN SENT TO QUELL TROUBLE

I. W. W. Agitators Were Said to Be Interfering with Registration at Metaumee, Mich.

Lansing, Mich., June 5.—Gov. Sleeper today telegraphed orders to the commanding officer of Company M, 33d Michigan infantry, at Marquette, to hurry to Metaumee, a nearby mining town, with 25 national guardsmen. Reports from Metaumee received by the governor said that I. W. W. agitators there were threatening forcibly to oppose registration of young men.

GERMAN WITH HAND BILLS. WAS ARRESTED IN HOBOKEN, N. J., AND HELD FOR TREATON.

New York, June 5.—The third registration day arrest on a charge of opposing registration to be reported in the metropolitan district occurred in Hoboken, where Otto Schroeder, born in Germany, was taken into custody for distributing hand bills against the draft law. Schroeder was held for treaton.

EXPECT 2,000 IN BURLINGTON. UP TO EARLY AFTERNOON 1,300 HAD REGISTERED.

Burlington, June 5.—At 2 o'clock this afternoon 1300 men had registered. Two thousand are expected. Perhaps fifteen per cent claim exemption for disability or because they have dependents. It was quiet all day.

BARRE REGISTERING WAS FAIRLY BRISK FIRST PART OF DAY

Up to 1 o'clock This Afternoon, 97 Men Between 21 and 30, Inclusive, Had Signed in the Second Ward.

Under the terms of the selective draft law recently passed, all young men of Barre between the ages of 21 and 30, inclusive, were registering today, in company with others of their ages throughout the United States. Locally, as well as nationally, the registration bore much resemblance to a national election, and here in Barre some of the election machinery was used advantageously by the registrars. Mayor Glysson acted as moderator, City Clerk Mackay as the chief registrar, to whom returns are made, and Dr. J. W. Stewart, the health officer, as surgeon. The six ward polling places used in elections were utilized as registration stations, and at one time or another during the day all of the 40 registrars appointed a week ago were on duty. The stations opened at 7 a. m. and will not close this evening until 9 o'clock.

Throughout the city there were indications that the injunction to "register early" was being considered by the men of registration age. By 9:30 o'clock, 40 persons had enrolled in the second ward and in the first ward around 35 had appeared at the same hour. In the sixth ward there were 41 registrations at 11 o'clock, and in the fourth ward the aggregate topped 50. Early returns from the fourth and fifth wards showed that many young men were pointing the way for those who delayed registration till afternoon. Harry M. Wilder was the first man to register in ward 2; in ward 1 that honor rests with Burton Berry; and in ward 6 with Eaton L. Spaulding. At 1 o'clock this afternoon there were 97 registrations in the ward 2 station. Other wards promised records equally as good.

Obedient to the suggestion made by

MANY APPLIED FOR COMPANY C

Following a Patriotic Rally Held in Ho... and Hall Last Evening

STIRRING APPEALS WERE PRESENTED

Pipe and Drum, and Christopher Columbus Bands Good Campaigners

An old-fashioned recruiting rally, preceded by a patriotic parade in which two musical organizations figured conspicuously, brought together a big crowd in Barre last night and under the stimulus of the enthusiasm generated, first by the martial music of the Christopher Columbus band and the Barre pipe and drum band, and then by eloquently worded speeches in Howland hall, the first acquisition of recruits for C company of the 1st Vermont National Guard was received. Lieut. H. P. Shaw of the recruiting party presided and the speakers were: Capt. H. W. Taylor of the sanitary department of the regiment, Atty. S. Hollister Jackson, Representative Frank G. Howland and Capt. John F. Sullivan of C company. A number of young men embraced the opportunity to enlist and others present at the rally enrolled in the Red Cross.

It was a "short notice" crowd that began to line North Main street early in the evening, for the recruiting party from Fort Ethan Allen had arrived in the city only a few hours before and plans for the rally had to be hastily improvised. But the enthusiasm manifested by people who assembled from City square to Depot square was all the more spontaneous, and patriotic ardor at the mass meeting ran rampant. Stirring strains from the pipers and drummers and the musicians of the Christopher Columbus band helped to charge the night air with patriotic spirit and after the music makers had circled about the principal streets for a half hour, the crowd began to follow the players in the hall.

There, in the armory of the Headquarters company, Barre's first contribution to Vermont's National Guard unit this year, every seat was taken. It was an audience of all ages. Young men, to whom the appeal direct was to be made, and veterans of the Civil war, who lived over the stirring days of their youth when they heard the call to the colors. There were many children, many women. The pipers and their drum corps played before the speaking began and they were followed by the band men, who gave a patriotic medley that wound up with the national anthem and found everybody on toes.

About the hall were posters, used effectively in the parade, which said: "Uncle Sam and Vermont Need You—Barre Wants You to Join C Company." A table was provided for the Red Cross and during the evening Mrs. Alex Duncan, who was in charge of the patriotic recruiting party, received an encouraging number of enlistments. A young orderly sat at a table near the speakers' platform and was ready at any time to receive an application for enlistment in the guard.

In opening the rally, Lieut. Shaw spoke of the good will manifested by Barre people toward the present errand of the recruiting party and said that he had received ample evidence of the inspiration. He introduced Capt. Taylor. The representative from the regimental sanitary department spoke earnestly and in man-fashion of the physical requirements for admission in the army. The manner of examining recruits for the 1st Vermont regiment, he said, had caused considerable comment and some criticism, but the qualifications, he continued, are no more prohibitive than elsewhere. The misconception, he declared, was due measurably to ignorance of what the United States considers as a passing mark for service. Army life is a strenuous one and breakdowns will come to the soldiers who are not physically fit. Ten per cent of the recruits for the Vermont regiment fall physically, he said, and probably 7 or 8 per cent of the defections result from bad teeth and defective vision. Two double teeth on the upper and lower jaw, on either side, are essential, and though the molars may be missing an applicant has a chance if his bicuspids are in good condition and the front teeth are present in sufficient numbers to preserve the contour of the face.

Applicants are seldom found to be troubled with hearing, but in many cases defective vision has been noted. If corrective measures may be used, the recruit has a chance to be accepted. Various veins, indicating imperfect circulation, heart complications, defective lungs are among the other causes for rejection. Vermont wants clean, upstanding men for her regiment, declared the captain. Her regiments must bear out the reputation gained by the Vermonters of the Civil war, who were known as wonderful marchers. Capt. Taylor spoke of height and weight requirements and in turning to local conditions said that Barre has an opportunity to adopt C company, even as she claims the Headquarters company for her own. Vermont boys are to be among the first to go to the front and it is always an honor to belong to the 1st Vermont regiment, said the speaker, who, in concluding, spoke briefly of Vermont men in the Civil war, in the Spanish-American war and at the border last summer.

The applause which followed Capt. Taylor's statement had scarcely died down when the crowd had broken out in a hearty cheer for the next speaker, S. Hollister Jackson. The attorney spoke in part as follows: "There are special reasons why something should be done within a few hours. For two years the United States has tried to talk Germany out of going to war against us and now

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RECRUITS TO REGISTER UNLESS THEY HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED IN ACTUAL SERVICE.

It was generally understood today that the men who made application for enlistment in Co. C and other branches of the 1st Vermont regiment, National Guard, prior to this morning, but who had not been accepted for the service, were required to register today with the other men between the ages of 21 and 30, inclusive; and the recruits for Co. C were so informed today, although it was stated that their application for enlistment in the National Guard would permit them to join that regiment in case they passed the examination.

The law states that those exempt from the draft must be in the service of the government, in army or navy, or National Guard; and it was taken to be the fact that mere application for enlistment in the National Guard did not place the applicants in actual service.

SLOW IN MONTEPELIER. ABOUT 300 MEN HAD REGISTERED UP TO 1:30 O'CLOCK.

Up to 1:30 this afternoon nearly 300 of the estimated 850 Montpelier men eligible for registration in the Capital city had appeared and signed statements at the Montpelier city hall. At 10 o'clock about 200 men had registered but after that hour the score of registrars were not kept very busy.

More Government Securities Were Put Out Yesterday Than at Any Time Since the Local Drive Started.

Yesterday was the biggest day for the Liberty loan U. S. bond sale that Barre has had since the start of the drive to absorb Barre's quota of \$420,000 of the bonds. Not only were people learning that every \$50 they put into these bonds means a blow at kaiserism but they were learning also that it was to be a splendid investment for them in dollars and cents. Good patriotism and good business were thus found to be joined in the single act of purchasing government bonds, the best security in the world today.

The spirit of the drive is spreading to the public schools of Barre and vicinity, and teachers and heads of schools are taking up the matter for presentation to the pupils in order that the purpose of the government loan may be understood more generally. Supt. White and Principal Jackson are advancing the gospel of "buy a bond" and the teachers, in turn, are describing to the children just what the bond means. Organizations are joining the "buy a bond" procession from day to day, and everywhere the movement is gaining momentum. Individuals should do their part right away. At a meeting today of the Spaulding High School Athletic association, which includes the boys of the school in its membership, it was voted that the president of the association be instructed to use at least \$30 of the funds remaining in the treasury at the close of the school year in the purchase of a Liberty loan bond.

MERCHANTS BUY BONDS. Association Votes to Purchase \$500 of Liberty Loan.

Another of Barre's organizations has joined the patriotic "buy-a-bond" movement. Yesterday at a largely attended meeting of the Barre Retail Merchants' association, Inc., it was unanimously voted to appropriate \$500 of the association funds for the purchase of Liberty bonds. The action of the merchants was another indication that argument back of all the appeals for support of this kind is beginning to strike home.

COMPANY TAKEN OVER. Vermont Tel. & Tel. Co. Absorbed By New England Company.

The formal taking over of the Vermont Telephone & Telegraph company was carried out yesterday by the New England Telephone & Telegraph company. This completes the legislation of several years ago which enabled the New England company to do away with the handling of its business in central Vermont through the Vermont Telephone company.

RUSSIAN VICTORY. Reported Near Frontier Between Persia and Turkey.

Petrograd, via London, June 5.—Russian troops have made an important advance south of Damme, near the frontier between Persia and Turkey, the war office reported today.

LOG TIED TO TRACK. Ahead of Train Which Bore Maj. Gen. Wood.

Birmingham, Ala., June 5.—An attempt was made to rob the train which brought Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood from Chattanooga, Tenn., to Birmingham last night. A log was found tied to the track four miles south of Chattanooga.

RUTH LAW DROPPING "BOMBS." They Are Requests for Ohio People to Take Bonds.

Cleveland, O., June 5.—Ruth Law, the aviator, left Cleveland at 8 o'clock this morning, planning to fly over many Ohio towns, dropping "bombs" urging people to subscribe to the Liberty loan bond issue.