

ARE NOT VERY MUCH DISTURBED

American Officers View Latest German Advance Calmly

WHILE TEUTONS MOVE INTO RUSSIA

A Monarchy Now Threatens Distracted Russia, the Bolshevik Believes

Washington, Feb. 23.—The American general staff is watching the new German sweep into Russia with little more than academic interest, quite convinced that Russia is no longer a military factor to be considered and that the situation has little bearing, at the present, at least, on the battle fronts.

Large captures of military stores bear little relation to the equipment of troops on the Italian or west fronts, officers here say, as the guns and rifles captured can be of use only as long as the ammunition supply captured with them holds out.

Observers, both here and in Russia, it is understood, are satisfied that as the German drive continues, it will meet with more resistance.

The government will receive a detailed report from Brigadier-General Judson, who has just returned from duty at the American embassy in Petrograd.

The turn of events in Russia, in the view here, swings upon the object of the German high command in renewing operations. The taking of Petrograd, if conceded, might be desirable for its effect in Germany and Austria.

A MONARCHY AGAIN

Now Threatens Distracted Russia, the Bolshevik Government Believes.

Petrograd, Feb. 23.—"If the Germans refuse peace to Russia, a struggle to the death or victory for us is inevitable," says an official statement issued yesterday.

"The peoples' terrorism must be opposed to the advancing enemy," it is declared.

Germany is advancing into Russia to restore the monarchy and the privileges of the landowners and the capitalist classes, the Bolshevik government in Petrograd declares in a proclamation to the people, calling upon them to resist the German armies and defend the republic "to the death."

Explicit instructions are given the peasants and workers to take all measures to prevent valuable property from falling into the hands of the Germans.

A regiment of Russian Estonian troops has gone over to the Germans, the Berlin office announces.

The German troops advancing in Estonia have captured Hapsal, on the coast near the entrance to the gulf of Finland, and advanced beyond Rannenburg, Wolmar and Spandau. They marched into Riehsita, about 100 miles southeast of Riga, and were received with rejoicing by the inhabitants, the Berlin statement says.

SUGAR TOTAL LESS.

By About 500,000,000 Pounds Than It Was a Year Ago.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—There were about 1,500,000,000 pounds of commercial sugar stocks on hand Aug. 31, 1917, compared to 2,000,000,000 pounds on the same date in 1916, according to the first war emergency food survey, figures for which are issued by the United States department of agriculture. Large decreases were reported by mills and refineries and by storage warehouses, although stocks in the hands of wholesale grocers and all large users of sugar showed increases in 1917.

Increased Per Capita Consumption.

The returns indicate that the amount of sugar consumed in 1917 was about 88.3 pounds per capita, whereas the average annual consumption for the five-year period ending in 1916 was 84.7 pounds per capita. The evident increase in consumption, says the department, is due in part to the increased manufacture for export of commodities like condensed milk, and to an increase in population, coupled with an increased consumption by individuals, and to an increase in consumer's stocks.

Where Sugar Was Held.

Of the total stocks of sugar reported, more than 538 million pounds or 41 per cent was held by sugar and syrup mills and refineries. Wholesale grocers held about 285 million pounds or 15.8 per cent, and storage warehouses about 207 million pounds, or 15.8 per cent. Retail dealers came next with about 134 million pounds, or 10.4 per cent of the total.

New York reported the largest stocks, about 323 million pounds, followed in order by California and Louisiana, both of which held over 100 million pounds. Details of the sugar survey may be found in circular 96, office of the secretary, United States department of agriculture.

GRANDMOTHER KNEW

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But the old-fashioned mustard-plaster burned and blistered while it acted. Get the relief and help that mustard plasters gave, without the plaster and without the blister.

Musterole does it. It is a clean, white ointment, made with oil of mustard. It is scientifically prepared, so that it works wonders, and yet does not blister the tenderest skin.

Just massage Musterole in with the finger-tips gently. See how quickly it brings relief—how speedily the pain disappears.

Use Musterole for sore throat, bronchitis, tonsillitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuritis, headache, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frosted feet, colds of the chest (it often prevents pneumonia). 30c and 60c jars; hospital size \$2.50.



SCROFULA AND HUMORS GIVE WAY

There are many things learned from experience and observation that the older generation should impress upon the younger. Among them is the fact that scrofula and other humors, which produce eczemas, boils, pimples and other eruptions, are most successfully treated with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

This great medicine is a peculiar combination of remarkably effective blood-purifying and health-giving roots, barks and herbs, which are gathered especially for it.

Hood's Sarsaparilla has stood the test for forty years. Get a bottle to-day—now—from your nearest drug store. Always keep this medicine on hand.—Adv.

VERMONTERS MOVED SOUTHWARD.

Are Located at Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C.

Spartanburg, S. C., Feb. 23.—Sixty thousand men at Camp Wadsworth before many weeks is the prospect. These troops will embrace the 27th division of the United States army, the federalized National Guard of New York State, who arrived last fall, the seven New York National Guard regiments, depleted last fall to fill up the division, but soon to be filled up as pioneer regiments, as are six skeleton regiments from the New England states, moved here this week from Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C. This increase in the forces at the camp means the doubling of the camp facilities. Construction of the necessary buildings is now under way.

Along beside the 27th division the provisional depot for the training corps and army troops has been established, with Brig. Gen. Guy Carleton, United States army, in command. He arrived some weeks ago and his arrival was followed by the announcement that all skeletonized regiments of the National Guard would become pioneer outfits first and be brought to Camp Wadsworth for training. The first units taken over were the seven New York infantry regiments that failed to be included in the 27th division when that organization was formed.

Draft Men Expected.

This week the Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Connecticut units arrived. Their full strength at this time is less than 3,000 officers and men, but it is understood men from the draft in their respective localities will be sent down to fill out their numbers to the required strength.

TO EXTEND BIG INDUSTRY.

E. Crosby & Co. of Brattleboro to Manufacture Flour.

Brattleboro, Feb. 23.—E. Crosby & Co. are planning an important extension of their business at their grain elevator plant on Vernon street, which will be a worth-while addition to the town's industrial activities.

The firm has this week placed an order with Sprout, Waldron & Co. of Quincy, Pa., for flour mill machinery, and when it is installed the firm will be in a position to manufacture white flour, buckwheat flour, rye flour and barley flour, in addition to the present facilities for making rye meal and bolted meal and a full line of feeds for animals.

This will be the second flour mill of considerable size in New England and will have a daily capacity of 500 bags. The only other important flour mill in New England is in Concord, N. H.

Crosby & Co. will make a specialty of white corn flour, to be put up in fancy bags. The mill will run day and night continuously, according to present plans, and will give employment to 15 to 20 additional hands. The firm finds the establishment of such a mill to be a necessity in order to keep up with orders.

The drier at the elevator, which never has been finished, will be completed as soon as possible. It will be an absolute necessity with any large milling concern on account of the high moisture test of corn from the 1917 crop.

PERELESS TO TESTIFY.

Man Who Smoked Out Cloth Scrap Contract to Have a Hearing.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Further inquiry into recent discharge from the quartermaster general's reserve corps of Captain A. E. Pereless of New York, who investigated the much attacked base sorting plant's cloth scrap contract with the government, was decided upon yesterday by the Senate military committee. Pereless has been asked to testify to-day or Monday on whether his leaving the army was voluntary or because of testimony he gave before the committee regarding the alleged profits the sorting plant had in prospect.

Major General Goethals, acting quartermaster general, in response to inquiries recently stated that Pereless asked to resign after the department had found he lacked qualifications.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

"There She Goes" Is Colorful and Snappy Musical Comedy.

The Montreal Gazette of Feb. 10 speaks well of "There She Goes," which will be presented at the Barre opera Monday evening, Feb. 25. It says:

Capacity audiences greeted "There She Goes," the snappy and colorful musical comedy which opened at the Orpheum yesterday for a week's engagement, less to-day's compulsory closing. The show proved a real surprise in its briskness of action, diversity of entertainment, and ability of presentation. The company is unusually strong in dancing features, the work of the eccentric team, Gene Howard and Kenneth Christy, and the whirlwind pair, Bert and Helen Leroy, being skillful and unbacked. "There She Goes" has a slight but coherent story, which takes the participants from Long Island to Honolulu, while the musical portion of the show shows the influence of the prevailing jazz methods. Miss Martha Craver, who sings the leading female role, is a young artist, whose personal attractions supplement her possession of a sweet, clear, full voice, which she uses to good effect in her assigned numbers, of which the most pleasing is "Sometimes You'll Remember." The comedy element is supplied by Kenneth Christy in a blackface role, from which he extracts the maximum amount of fun, and Harvey Orr as an absent-minded professor on the hunt for rare bugs.

A garden cabaret scene in the second act gives occasion for introducing several good vaudeville turns, including Mr. Cal. Clifford's xylophone solos, and a male quartet, which is both harmonious and amusing. The chorus is composed of a dozen presentable girls, who dance with spirit and wear some distinctive costumes. A popular-priced offering.

"There She Goes" is excellent value and should continue to draw as well for the remainder of the week as it did for its initial showings. Adv.

LIFTS BAN ON MUTTON

Can Be Eaten on Meatless Days Until April 15, Says Hoover

BEEF AND PORK ARE STILL TABOO

U. S. Eating More Than Three Times as Much Meat as Allies

Washington, Feb. 23.—Lamb and mutton may be eaten on "meatless" days until April 15.

The food administration, in making this announcement yesterday, indicated clearly that there is no chance now for lifting the ban on beef and pork, however.

Since Nov. 1, the food administration declared America's beef exports to the allies have amounted to less than five per cent. of the total cattle slaughtered. The per capita consumption of beef and pork during 1917 increased over that of pre-war years.

Beef and pork must be left off the menu on meatless days indefinitely, it is indicated. Rations in Europe, the food administration explains, have been reduced to approximately one pound of meat per capita a week, or less than 30 per cent. of the American consumption. European rations to-day are "so low as to tend to diminish the morale and resistance of the allies," Hoover declared.

Meatless days in the United States have saved 140,000,000 pounds of beef in four months, the food administration announces. During this period 165,000,000 pounds of beef were exported to the allies with 400,000,000 pounds of pork products.

The figures were made public yesterday in a statement explaining why the food administration had refused requests of cattle and sheep growers to remove beef, mutton and lamb from the conservation rules with regard to meatless days.

RUTLAND COUNTY STILL LEADS.

State Sales of U. S. Thrift and War Savings Stamps Amount to \$143,571.15.

Rutland county increased its lead in the sale of U. S. thrift and war savings stamps during the week ending Feb. 9, according to returns made to the state distributor, H. L. Farwell of Montpelier; and Washington county maintained second position by a comfortable margin, although Caledonia and Chittenden counties reported almost as large sales. The total gain for the state was \$19,227.21, making a grand total of \$143,571.15 up to Feb. 9.

Banks and postoffices are again urged to make prompt reports of sales to the state distributor.

The table showing the week's increase and the total up to Feb. 9 is as follows:

Table with columns: County, Sales Feb. 9, Total. Includes Addison, Bennington, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, Rutland, Washington, Windham, Windsor.

Total for state, \$19,227.21 \$143,571.15



Waiting for the Mysterious U-Boat

Our destroyers and scout ships are waiting for the sudden attack or the deadly torpedo—the watch on the Atlantic are on the lookout for the first indication of hidden danger—it's a fight for life. For those leading a quiet life at home it is often the unexpected that happens. It may be that we are mysteriously attacked by pain in our back or limbs.

BE PREPARED!

The latest and most effective means of overcoming this trouble, is to eat sparingly of meat, drink plenty of water between meals and take a single An-u-ric tablet before each meal for a while, or until recovered.

Simply ask your favorite druggist for An-u-ric, double strength. In tablets, 60c. If you have lumbago, rheumatism, gout, droopy, begin immediately with this newest discovery of Dr. Pierce, who is Chief Medical Director of Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute in Buffalo, N. Y. Send 10 cents for trial package.

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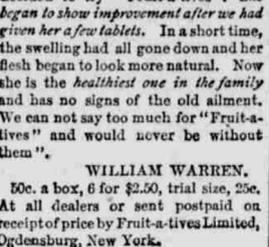
No Sign Of Dropsy And Kidney Trouble Since Taking "FRUIT-A-TIVES"



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MODERATE FIGHTING IN ITALY.

Frequent Artillery Actions in Giudicaria Valley and West of the Brenta.

Rome, Feb. 23.—The official report from general headquarters reads: "There was moderate fighting activity with frequent artillery actions in the Giudicaria valley and west of the Brenta valley. North of Vaistagna our patrols made a few prisoners and east of Capo Sile an enemy advanced post was destroyed by the explosion of a mine."

SENATE PASSED CONTROL BILL

Giving Government Direction of Railroads for 18 Months After War

HOUSE DEBATING THE MEASURE NOW

Bill Appropriates \$500,000,000 for Operation of the Roads

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—The administration bill for government control of railroads until 18 months after the war and appropriating a fund of \$500,000,000 for federal operation was passed yesterday by the Senate without a roll call and now awaits action in the House, where it is under debate.

CLOTHING FRAUD IN ONE CITY.

Federal Officials Believe It Is Confined to New York.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Army quartermaster corps officials think the alleged frauds unearthed in New York in connection with preparation of uniform cloth were confined to that city. The alleged thefts upon which the indictments returned were based are believed to have occurred in November and December, 1917. Reports by war department investigators stated that large amounts of uniform cloth disappeared between the time the rolls of cloth were dispatched to spooling houses and the receipt of the rolls after the process had been completed. While a report on the loss sustained as a result of these operations has not been made to the quartermaster general, officials say the police estimate is greatly exaggerated, as the entire lot of cloth handled in the period investigated would not be worth much more than \$5,000,000.

V. S. A. NOTES

Seventh Annual Farmers' Week, Feb. 28-March 1.

Seventh annual farmers' week, Feb. 28-March 1, at the Vermont State School of Agriculture, Randolph Center. Co-operative extension work in agriculture and home economics, Vermont state.

Thursday, Feb. 28, Star Grange Day. 10:30 a. m.—Livestock demonstration, boys of V. S. A.; "Cheesemaking on the Farm," L. H. Burgwald, cottage specialist, Vermont agricultural extension service.

1:00 p. m.—Orchestra selection, Hillcrest grange; "The Aim in Agricultural Teaching in Secondary Schools," H. H. Gibson, director of agricultural education for Vermont; quartet, West Randolph grange; recitation, Snowsville grange; piano solo, North Randolph grange; "A Wartime Program for Vermont Farmers," F. B. Jenks, professor of agricultural education, U. V. M.; orchestra selection, Hillcrest grange; recitation, Brookfield grange; "America," all.

8:00 p. m.—Songs, boys of V. S. A.; "The Value of Livestock in Winning the War," Prof. F. G. Churchill, University of Vermont; songs, boys of V. S. A.; dedication of the V. S. A. service flag, dedicatory address: "The War: What Must We Do to Win It?," Rev. Fraser Metzger, Randolph.

Friday, March 1, Potato Exchange Day. 10:30 a. m.—"Why Vermont Should Raise More Sheep," J. A. Sturtevant, sheep specialist, Vermont agricultural extension service; "Poultry on the Farm," Prof. H. A. D. Leggett, University of Vermont.

1:00 p. m.—"How to Produce Better Seed Potatoes," William Stuart, United States department of agriculture; "The Principles of Successful Marketing," H. E. Tolstrup, Vermont state department of agriculture; "What Can Women Do to Help Win the War?," Miss Mildred Dutton, assistant to county agricultural agent for Orange county.

8:00 p. m.—Play, Randolph Center Dramatic club.

Note 1. Judging contests by teams from high schools of this vicinity will be held Friday. Announcement of the results of this contest will be made Friday evening and prizes awarded.

Note 2. Addresses marked thus * are of especial interest to the ladies.

Note 3. The judges for the several contests are as follows: Livestock demonstration and judging contests, Professors Abell, Allan and Kibby; farm crops judging contests, Professor Brown, Mr. Chadwick and County Agricultural Agent Loveland.

Special judging contest for farmers, 10:30 a. m. on Friday. Ribbons awarded for the three best judges.

The Vermont state department of education, the Vermont State School of Agriculture, the extension service of the State Agricultural college at U. V. M., the Vermont state department of agriculture, the United States department of agriculture, the Orange County Farmers' association, the Randolph Center Potato Growers' association, the North Randolph Cow Testing association, the Randolph branch of the N. E. M. P. A., co-operating.

EAST BETHEL

Miss Louise Allen has finished working for Mrs. W. P. Smith and has returned to Randolph.

P. A. Hackett and family of Windsor visited at William Wright's recently. George Wakefield is moving his goods to his farm in Brookfield this week. E. P. Gurnod is slowly gaining.

Used Cars

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When cross, feverish, restless, see if tongue is coated, then give this delicious "fruit laxative." Children love it, and it cannot cause injury. No difference what ails your little one—if full of cold, or a sore throat, diarrhea, stomach-ache, bad breath, remember, a gentle "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups, are printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." We make no smaller size. Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.—Adv.

DECREASED PRODUCTION.

Of Bituminous Coal in the Face of Greatly Increased Need.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Bituminous coal production in January was at the lowest since September, 1916. In making public the figures yesterday, the geological survey blames the slump entirely on railroad congestion. The January output was 42,727,000 tons, an average of 1,643,000 tons daily.

"In the face of a greater need than ever before," said the survey's statement, "the country entered the second month of the year, some five million tons behind the mark set in January, 1917."

Beelieve coke production in January increased 7,000 tons a day over the December output, which was the lowest in a year. The total January output was 2,339,000 tons. By-product coke production fell off sharply.

LOWELL ANIMAL FERTILIZERS. Raise More Food Help End the War. Every New England Farmer can harvest greater crops if he uses Lowell Animal Fertilizers. Today the use of a dependable fertilizer is an urgent duty. Fertilizers are not an expense. The present high market prices of all farm products make Lowell Animal Fertilizers a better paying investment than ever before. Lowell Animal Fertilizers make the soil fertile and keep the soil fertile. They are superior to mineral or chemical manures used alone, due to the organic materials they contain—BONE, BLOOD, MEAT combined with essential Chemicals. Good crops and big crops can be grown with Lowell Animal Fertilizers. They save labor, they grow bigger crops on less acreage. Wise farmers will order now while all brands are in stock. Raw materials are uncertain. If your dealer cannot supply you, write us and also ask for booklets and information regarding the crops you grow. LOCAL AGENTS WANTED. We can now supply Animal Fertilizers guaranteed to contain 4% water-soluble POTASH. LOWELL FERTILIZER CO. Boston Branch Consolidated Rendering Co. Mass.

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