CABINET TO RULE RUSSIA

Soviki and Revolutionaries of Left Agree on Compromise Plan

PEACE MAKING HALTED

Stand Against Manufacture of War Material Based on Peace Hope

PETROGRAD, Dec. 26.

Germany has asked postponement of the negotiations until January 24, according to semiofficial announcements here today.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 26.

The Bolshevik Government issued a manifesto to all the people today demanding that manufacture of all war material immediately cease, inasmuch as the Russo-German armistice will probably shortly be transferred into a general democratic peace."

The committee on people's commissaries and the central committee of the left revolutionaries agreed today on a compromise governmental form in which the latter organization is to be represented by seven cabinet members.

Bolshevik forces have occupied Kharkoff, according to announcement today. The Ukrainians' hold in Odessa is now threatened. Sailors from the Black Sea fleet, the Bolshevik Government announced, have joined forces against the rebels.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 26.

Russia's civil war has extended to the interior of Siberia, and reports of hard fighting in that district were received here today.

[The former Czar and his family are at present confined in a monastery at Tobolsk, Siberia, but whether hostilities between the Bolsheviki and anti-Bolsheviki forces are in progress in that vicinity was not stated.]

The Cossacks have suffered a slight reverse near Bielgorod, in Ukrainia, sailors from the Black Sea fleet having reinforced the Bolshevik troops.

Germany has begun to mass troops on the Rumanian front despite the terms of the armistice that there shall be no troop movements during its existence. A dispatch from Petrograd today said that Ensign Krylenko, the Bolshevik commander-in-chief, has issued an official statement saying that Germany is rearranging her troop formations on the eastern front and is transporting men to the eastern fronts and to Rumania.

Rumania adjoins that part of Russia known as Ukrainia, which recently declared war against the Bolshevik government at Petrograd.

LONDON, Dec. 26.

Russian-German peace negotiations have been suspended pending consultation by German delegates with their Government on Russia's terms, according to a Petrograd dispatch printed by the Times today. The Russian delegates, it was stated, are returning from Brest-Litovsk to Petrograd.

Two commissions to negotiate peace will shortly be formed, the Times correspondent asserted—one to meet at Petrograd and the other at Odessa. Both will consider purely military aspects of the situation. A third will shortly be constituted to prepare for a prospective European peace conference.

It was asserted the Bolsheviki will convoke the constituent assembly at the end of next week.

BOLSHEVIK ADMITS RULE IS SHORT-LIVED

By JOSEPH SHAPLEN

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 26.

Frank belief that the Bolshevik regime will not be able to retain its grip on Russia after forcing through a separate peace with Germany was expressed by Bolshevik Minister Vorosky today.

"The Bolsheviki will never conclude an undemocratic peace," he said. "The war will be continued if Germany insists on a policy of annexations. We still hope that general peace negotiations will be possible. We will fight defensively until a general democratic peace is achieved.

"I admit we do not intend and will be unable to remain in power after peace."

Vorosky denied reports that German agents were in Petrograd financing the Bolsheviki.

"The Bolsheviki do not need German money," he declared. "We are printing all that is necessary."

Arrivals from Petrograd today reported a strong monarchist movement developing in the Russian capital supported by some Cadets and German agents.

PASSENGER TRAINS GO TO RELIEVE FREIGHT

P. & R. Officials Curtail the Service Because of the War Congestion

Withdrawal of several through passenger trains on the Philadelphia-New York branch and on the Norristown, Frankford and Trenton branches of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway went into effect this morning. The elimination of these trains will release several [illegible]-power locomotives and other equipment needed to clear the tracks of freight congestion, officials of the railroad said yesterday.

These withdrawals were forecast two weeks ago.

While no change in schedule has been made recently on the Pennsylvania Railroad between New York and Washington, an official of the company said yesterday that conservation of fuel and division of equipment had been made in the last two weeks by withdrawal of certain cars which were equivalent to at least eight solid passenger trains.

The following express trains which left from the Reading Terminal to New York weekdays have been withdrawn: 11 a. m., 1 p. m., 3 p. m. and 7 [illegible]. The New York express leaving Terminal Sunday at 9 a. m. has been withdrawn.

Trains which left Liberty street, New York city, for Philadelphia on Sundays have been withdrawn as follows: 8 a. m., 10 a. m., 12 o'clock and [illegible] p. m. The Philadelphia express leaving Liberty street on Sunday at 10 [illegible] has been withdrawn. Others withdrawn:

Norristown branch, the Manayunk leaving the terminal at 10:38 [illegible] Philadelphia local leaving [illegible] at 11:26 a. m.

Frankford branch, the Frankford leaving the terminal at 4:56 [illegible] Philadelphia local leaving [illegible] Station, local

War's Roll of Honor: U. S. Soldiers Killed

General Pershing reports the following American troopers killed and dead from wounds in France:

First Lieutenant James D. Paull, aviation section, signal reserve corps, December 20, airplane accident; Joseph R. Paull, father, Pittsburgh.

Private Earl E. Aurand, infantry, November 15, wounds; Mrs. Emma Aurand, mother, Harrisburg.

Private Caney A. Meadors, infantry, November 13, killed in action; J. L. Meadors, father, Krupp, Ky.

Private Harry Meyers, infantry, November 18, killed in action; Elijah Miles, friend, Indianapolis.

Private Edward C. Kostbade, infantry, December 22, killed by explosion; W. Kostbade, father, Hobart, Ind.

Private Michele Lousi, infantry, December 22, killed by explosion; Antonio Lousi, father, Naples, Italy.

Private John E. White, ammunition train, December 23, gunshot wound; C. White, father, Rosenbank, N. Y.

LABOR MOVE PUZZLES ENGLISH STATESMEN

May Demand Approval of War Aims as Compensation for Draft

LONDON, Dec. 26.

Labor's expected demands from the Government when the leaders meet Premier Lloyd George, Minister of National Service A. C. Geddes and others on Friday, was the biggest question before Britain today.

The Government has indicated its intention to ask further concessions from British unionism, permitting heavy new drafts from its members to supply man power to the army. The Laborites have intimated they will accede to such a request, but it was not anticipated that they would abandon their safeguards against drafting without a counter-bargain.

Strong sentiment was noted that the opportunity should be utilized to obtain Government adherence to the principal points in labor's announced war aims—including not only the idea of a league of nations and no economic war after the war, but frank and complete renunciation of any support by Great Britain of imperialistic aims. Labor suspects certain of the Allies entertain these imperialistic aims.

There was growing belief that labor might urge also H. G. Wells's suggestion that unionism demand Sir Edward Carson's expulsion from the ministry as one who had gone over under pressure of British toryism. Considerable sentiment was developed against the member of the war cabinet.

CLUBS FOR WAR WIVES ARE PLANNED IN U. S.

Committee Believes Local, State and National Organization Will Do Much

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.

A war wives' club in every town is what the woman's committee of the Council of National Defense wishes to see. The committee explained that such local, State and national clubs would crystallize the war sacrifice spirit among the women at home just as it is crystallized among their men at the front when they go over the top together.

The committee feels that not only is there a natural bond of sympathy and interest among these women, but that very material advantages rest in an organization that would give the women who are giving most—their loved ones—a local, State and national voice in matters affecting them.

"But above all good," said a member of the committee, "would be the good of sharing a common grief, a common anxiety, held up by a common patriotism and courage.

"They would stimulate each other to brave endurance and find in each other's society the only perfect sympathy with their own private trouble.

"There is nothing that so takes away the bitterness of grief as robbing it of its isolation. Personal sorrow is lost in the exhilaration that comes with general sacrifice to a great cause. Such losses have a quality of glory and of greatness."

Socially, the committee suggests, it would give them an opportunity to meet and keep in touch with each other frequently. They could start circulating libraries among themselves. They could help each materially, both in home economics and in the care of their children, through exchange of personal experiences and through lectures which

W. S. RONEY DEAD

Attorney and Old-Line Democrat Was on Hahnemann College Faculty

William Shippen Roney, a well-known attorney-at-law, with offices in the Liberty Building, died suddenly late Christmas Eve at his home, Bend-in-the-Road, Paoli, and will be buried in Great Valley churchyard, in the Chester Valley, on Thursday afternoon. Mr. Roney, who was a native of Trenton, N. J., and an old-line Democrat, had been for about forty years a member of the Philadelphia Bar, and for thirty years professor of medical jurisprudence at Hahnemann College. A veteran of the courts of the city, Mr. Roney was for many years associated with Congressman Harry M. Watson and the late William Meredith.

Becoming a resident of Paoli in 1904, Mr. Roney, with the co-operation of the late John H. Dinges, organized the Paoli Town Association and was one of the founders of the Free Library of the village. He is survived by his widow, Caroline Farnum Roney, a brother, A. B. Roney, and two sisters, the latter being the principals of the Gordon-Roney School, at 4112 Spruce street.

RED CROSS CAMPAIGN CONTINUES THIS WEEK

Another 100,000 Members in City Before New Year's Eve, Aim of Managers

The Christmas membership campaign of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Red Cross was taken up with renewed vigor today.

Officially closing Christmas Eve, the drive for 540,000 new enrollments in Philadelphia and its four neighbor counties was so successful that an extension of a week was decided upon. Not content with subscribing its full quota and more, Philadelphia will continue its campaigning until New Year's Eve, combing the city and counties for every man, woman and child—at least 100,000 more—overlooked in the Christmas rush.

Final tabulation of official figures, which is being made today, will show that approximately 750,000 new "dollar" memberships were obtained, it is believed. Returns are pouring in from the auxiliaries, branches and subdivisions of the campaign committee.

Reports today from the industrial section, headed by J. W. Lucas, showed the following enrollments: Armour & Co., 150 out of 150 employes; William Cramp & Sons Ship and Engine Building Company, 4500 out of 7000; Barrett Company, 1000, 1340 and 800 in three plants; John Lucas & Co., Inc., 95 out of 100; A. & M. Haydon, 33 out of 33; Fels & Co., 300; Packard Motor Car Company of Philadelphia, 162, and Baldwin Locomotive Works, 5831.

An example of how every subquota was oversubscribed was shown today in the report of Red Cross Auxiliary No. 313, a "baby" Olney organization only four weeks old. With a quota of 500, it has enrolled to date 1434 members and has 300 more "prospects." The auxiliary's workers visited every house in Olney and Logan under the leadership of Mrs. Marie S. Chism, chairman, and Mrs. William H. Margerison and Mrs. William Frank, her chief assistants.

The Red Cross branch at the Catholic Church of the Visitation, Lehigh avenue and B street, reported 800 new members, with 1000 as the goal sought by the Rev. Francis J. Flood, chairman, and the Rev. J. C. McLoughlin, pastor. Thousands of surgical bandages and dressings have been made by the branch since it was organized in May.

Headquarters in the Lincoln Building will be kept open all this week and on Monday of next week, with the full force of workers on duty that have been on the job during the first part of the campaign. E. L. D. Roach will continue in charge as director of the campaign.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE OVER THE TOP BY 3,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.

The Christmas membership drive of the American National Red Cross went "over the top" in great shape.

Beginning its Christmas campaign for new members Monday, December 17, and setting the goal at 10,000,000 new members, the Red Cross today showed returns up to Monday night, Christmas Eve, for 13,000,000 new members. The approximate membership of the Red Cross before the Christmas drive was 5,000,000 and now stands at about 18,000,000 members.

The metropolitan and suburban section of Philadelphia kept pace with the rest of the country and the support offered by Philadelphia has been gratifying to Red Cross officials, who are elated over the results of the membership campaign, especially in view of the fact that very bad weather prevailed all over the country, making the roads bad and hampering the campaign in all sections. Daily reports on the progress of the campaign indicated that all during the week activity was considerably retarded by bad weather. In the Northwest there were floods; in the South, unusually cold weather, and other adverse climatic conditions prevailed elsewhere. Because of this condition the campaign was not completed in some sections and will be continued several days more.

Red Cross headquarters here are sure of 13,000,000 new memberships and expect that belated returns and reports made by chapters that will require two or three days more to complete their work will run the final total considerably above that figure.

PLOT TO WRECK MILLS FOUND IN INDIANAPOLIS

Police of Nearby States Ordered to Guard Against Explosives

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—Special protection must be given by the police in future to flour mills in the city, following a warning from Millers' National Association headquarters that a plot was on foot to destroy every flour mill in the State.

It was believed that the plot probably extended to mills in Kentucky and Tennessee also and that there was a possibility that the plot was almost nationwide. Special precautions against explosions also are being taken in other Indiana cities.

Knits 120 Pair of Socks for Soldiers

MAHANOY CITY, Pa., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Elizabeth Bartolett, eighty-five years old, yesterday completed her 120th pair of knitted socks since the soldiers went away. Mrs. Bartolett learned to knit socks when she sent her husband to war in 1861.

IT'S MRS. SHERIFF NOW

Ousted Policewoman Regular One, Too; Gold Badge Salary and All

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—With the village excited by her triumph, Deputy Sheriff Anna O'Shea, Ossining's ousted policewoman, received her gold badge, carrying with it a salary of $1200 a year, from the county and formally took up her new duties in pursuit of malefactors. Backers of the first woman deputy sheriff predict sensational developments soon in the crusade everybody in Ossining is talking about.

Dr. Anne Harvey Voorhis, a member of the Civic League, which is supporting Mrs. O'Shea, was elated. She said: "Ossining politics and politicians need a good cleaning up."

EASTERN R. R. PLANS ARE ADOPTED IN WEST

Observation Cars Being Dropped; Oppose Cutting Passenger Travel

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.

Western railroads are gradually instituting economies and changing methods so that great efficiency in operation may be obtained. While the eastern systems have felt the brunt of the war changes almost entirely hitherto, the readjustment is gradually spreading to the western territory. Western roads have been particularly averse to doing anything that would curtail the passenger business of their systems, and if they are called upon to do so will hold off until the last minute. Most passenger traffic officials of western lines frown upon the discouragement of travel, although they recognize it as a war emergency.

The Chicago and Alton and other systems operating between Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City have announced a lengthening of their fast-freight schedules. It is understood this action was taken in compliance with orders from the War Department. The running time between Chicago and St. Louis is now twenty hours, while between Chicago and Kansas City it will be forty hours. Lengthening of the freight schedules will greatly increase the tonnage carried by the trains.

Observation cars have been discontinued by the Chicago and Northwestern Railway in its service between Chicago and the twin cities of Minnesota. Parlor cars will be carried between Chicago and Milwaukee, but will be cut off at that point. Between Chicago and Duluth the buffet lounging car had also been discontinued. These changes are made in the interests of economy and conservation of energy and fuel.

SCIENCE SOCIETY TO MEET

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 26.—Dr. W. J. Holland, director of the Carnegie Museum, has announced that the meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Science would be held in Pittsburgh on Thursday.

"There is no truth in the report that certain branches of the society will not attend," said Doctor Holland. "The meeting will convene Thursday morning with more than 1000 members in attendance. Dr. L. O. Howard, secretary of the society, will arrive in the city from Washington, D. C., tomorrow and make the final preparations."

Doctor Holland said that the meetings would be held in Carnegie Institute and the University of Pittsburgh.

CHRISTMAS OVER, DROP IN FOOD PRICES COMING

Turkeys for New Year Will Likely Be Reduced—Question as to "War Bread"

With Christmas out of the way and everybody back to a normal basis of living again, food prices began today to take a decided drop, with the prospect that still lower prices will prevail in the immediate future.

The approach of the holidays caused all food prices to go up in obedience to the law of supply and demand. Especially was this the case with turkeys and chickens. In order to meet the holiday demand large supplies of all these products were laid in by local dealers and much of it was carried over. This must now be placed on the market for what it will bring and, with the demand not so great as it was, prices must automatically go down.

Embargo restrictions have to a great extent been removed and shipments of vegetables are coming in freely. With the receipt of these shipments prices have been more or less affected and a downward tendency is noticeable.

Appreciably lower prices for New Year turkey than prevailed at Christmastime will in all probability be fixed by the Federal food authorities for Pennsylvania, and it is predicted that the best fancy turkeys will be obtainable for forty cents a pound by the time the buying for New Year sets in. Well-informed dealers deny that there is any real shortage in the turkey market.

An interesting question has arisen in regard to the sale of the so-called "war bread" ordered by the Government several weeks ago. Local bakers have handled the "war bread only as a side line, selling it only when demands were made for it, and have continued to turn out their regular product as usual. This situation probably will be taken up in a conference between the State and Federal food administrations.

NEW JERSEY ARMORIES TENDERED GOVERNMENT

Governor Edge Offers Assistance in Organizing United States Guard, National Army

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 26.—Governor Edge has directed acting General Gilkyson to notify Major Holve, commanding the Eastern Department, that the use of the First Regiment Armory in Newark and the Fourth Regiment Armory in Jersey City, as well as all the other military facilities of the State, will be at the disposal of the Federal Government in connection with the organization of the United States Guard, National Army, raised specially by the President in pursuance of the act of May 18 last, and to be composed principally of men between the ages of thirty-one and forty.

Information has come from the War Department that it is proposed to raise two battalions of the new army in New Jersey. Although these units will be used presumably for the time being at least in the State, there is no guarantee that they may not be called elsewhere. Assurances are given by the War Department, however, that the United States Guard will not be used on the battlefields of Europe.

Bourse Secretary in U. S. Service

Alexander Duncan Chiquoine, Jr., secretary of the Philadelphia Bourse, has been granted an indefinite leave of absence by the Bourse and will leave today for Washington to enter the serv-

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Silk and Lingerie Waists— *Formerly Priced Up to $2.98, at.* — $1.50
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