

REVOLT SWEEPS RUSSIA; DUMA GRASPS CONTROL

EXTRA SESSION WILL HEAR ALL U-BOAT FACTS

President to Revive Entire Issue of German Assaults

LISTS EACH INSTANCE OF RUTHLESSNESS

Congress Is Then to Decide on Additional Steps to Be Taken

ALGONQUIN GRAVE CASE

LONDON, March 15.

Armed American merchant vessels may be barred from some neutral European ports.

WASHINGTON, March 15.

President Wilson will present all of the facts concerning Germany's submarine actions to Congress when it convenes in special session next month.

It can safely be stated that no American merchantmen will enter the barred zone from now on with the consent of Administration officials unless armed with powerful guns and with men at their posts ready to protect them.

In the opinion of many officials the sinking of the Algonquin under the circumstances already reported was an act of war.

THRASHER PLAYS RIGHT WITH MACK'S REGULARS

First-String A's Win Six-Inning Game—Davis Gives Hit—and-Run Signals

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 15.

The usual order of affairs took place this afternoon with Connie Mack and his major league representatives.

Captain Harry Davis worked for an hour in his own right, with both the offense and defense operating.

This afternoon proved hotter than ever, but a practice game was indulged in, the regulars claiming a victory in six innings.

Several of the pitchers are complaining about the heat, but, on the other hand, there are few who are holding out rapidly.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair weather and moderate temperatures to night and Friday; colder tonight about thirty-five degrees; possible westerly winds.

LENGTH OF DAY

On March 15, 8:12 a.m. to 6:23 p.m. Daylight 10:11 a.m. to 7:56 p.m. Total 18:07 a.m.

DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES

CHESNEY, 77, STRIKES

Water 6:15 a.m. High water, 6:45 a.m. Low water, 12:45 a.m. Tide water, 1:15 a.m.

PHILADELPHIA AT THE QUINCY

PROROGATION ORDER DEFIED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY; IMPRISONS ENTIRE MINISTRY

Petrograd in Control of People's Representatives, Aided by 30,000 Troops. Revolutionary Committee Calls Entire Army to Revolt

WASHINGTON, March 15.

The State Department this afternoon received cablegrams from Petrograd substantiating in general terms the Berlin report of a Russian revolution.

BERLIN, March 15.

An executive committee of the Russian Duma has accomplished a successful revolution in Russia, imprisoned all the Ministers and now controls the Government.

"The Duma declared that the Ministers and the Cabinet do no longer exist," the statement said.

"Deputy Engelhard, colonel of the General Staff, has been appointed commander of Petrograd by the committee.

"Yesterday evening the committee issued a proclamation to the population and to the troops, railroads and banks, asking them to resume their regular life.

The statement issued by the official Government press bureau began:

"About the successful Russian revolution, the following official report was issued from Petrograd March 14:

"The population of Petrograd, incensed by complete disorganization of transport services and of alimentation, had long been irritated against the Government and had become restless.

"That committee declared itself as a provisional Government and issued the following appeal:

Considering the difficulties of interior order which we owe to the policy of the former Government, the executive committee of the Duma feels obliged to take public order in its own hands.

"The executive committee based itself upon the population of the capital, which is in full revolution, and upon the army, completely united with the revolutionists, and arrested all Ministers and sent them to jail."

ARMED FORCES AIDED DUMA REVOLT; CZAR MAY ABDICATE IN SON'S FAVOR

LONDON, March 15.

Revolution has succeeded in Russia. The Czar may abdicate.

The Duma and the army—or at least powerful elements in both groups—have overthrown the Government.

Their object was to drive out of power forever the pro-German officials who since the start of the war have been reported as hindering Russia's full participation with the Entente against Germany.

Three days of intermittent fighting preceded assumption of full control by the revolutionists.

CLASHES IN CAPITAL

The principal clashes occurred in the cities of Petrograd and Moscow.

Armies were repeatedly in encounters. Many houses were burned in each city during the fighting.

Dispatches from the Russian capital today said the Czar's Ministers had been captured, including Premier Sturmer and Minister of the Interior Protopopoff.

Dispatches late today from Petrograd emphasized that the revolution was not one against the ruling dynasty.

The Petrograd advances made it plain that pro-Germanism among Russian officialdom was so rampant that the Russian people believed it responsible for hindering Russia's successful prosecution of the war.

The provisional government, it was said, had established governmental committees at Petrograd and Moscow.

The Duma elements which apparently succeeded in overthrowing the last absolute monarch of the time are violently democratic as opposed to the absolute of the Russian autocracy.

SCHOOL ELECTION 'PLOT' UP TO GRATZ

Miss Punccheon Absolved of "Conspiring" to Aid Dr. Gowing

DR. MARTIN RETRACTS

Declares Board Member Engineered Secrecy—Resigned Principal to Wed

If any explanations are to be made in regard to the school controversy now raging, it is up to Simon Gratz, member of the Board of Education.

The controversy was brought about by the resignation of Miss Katharine E. Punccheon, principal of the Girls' High School, Miss Punccheon resigned because she is engaged to be married.

The circumstances of Miss Punccheon's resignation, and the manner in which her successor, Dr. Fred Gowing, was elected have been the cause of bitter comment by Dr. John P. Garber, superintendent, who was ignored in the presentation of the resignation, and by Dr. Edward Martin, a member of the Board of Education, who opposed the hasty election of Doctor Gowing.

DOCTOR MARTIN RETRACTS

This afternoon, after a conference with Miss Punccheon, Doctor Martin retracted the charges he made against her and put the matter squarely up to Mr. Gratz.

I have called upon Miss Punccheon and I take great pleasure in stating that my assumption that she was in any way concerned in the conspiracy to set aside the judgment of the board, of superintendence is entirely unfounded.

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GERMAN RAIDERS SHOT BY SUSPICIOUS MARINES

Fight on Kronprinz Wilhelm After Guards Take Powder Flashes for Signals

Two sailors of the interned German raider Kronprinz Wilhelm, at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, were shot and wounded by United States marines, according to a report today, during a fight on the deck of the vessel last night.

The story, which was denied at the navy yard hospital and which the commandant's office would not discuss, runs as follows:

Marines in the guard tent at the entrance to the "German village" area in the navy yard noticed flashes of light on the rear deck of the Kronprinz Wilhelm about 8:30 o'clock last night.

The rumor did not indicate how serious were the wounds of the Germans, who were said to have been treated aboard their ship. At the hospital it was said that if the men had been wounded the hospital authorities would have been notified.

But the whole affair, simply hastened the construction of the stockade along the Philadelphia side of the back channel. Crews of the German raiders were seen scurrying back to the ships this afternoon with bundles they had taken from houses in the German village.

How Philadelphia's Fire Laddies Are Trained for their hazardous vocation will be illustrated in Tomorrow's Pictorial Section

QUICK NEWS

BELGIAN SHIP WITH TWO AMERICANS ABOARD SUNK

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Consul Frost at Queenstown reported to the State Department this afternoon that the Belgian steamship Hainault was sunk March 12, but that there was no fatality.

RAILROAD DISPUTES END CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, March 15.—The conference of railway brotherhood chiefs and railway managers' committee concluded shortly after 5 o'clock this afternoon.

WHITMAN SIGNS UNIVERSAL TRAINING BILL

ALBANY, N. Y., March 15.—Governor Whitman today signed the bill providing for the universal military training of all boys between the ages of 16 and 19 years in the State of New York.

SUBMARINE WARFARE APPARENTLY DWINDLING

WASHINGTON, March 15.—For the week ending March 11 1915 vessels of all nationalities and exceeding 100,000 tons arrived in United Kingdom ports, while 1918 cleared, according to Consul General Skinner's report to the State Department this afternoon.

P. R. R. RENEWS FIGHT ON \$42,592 CAR VERDICT

An argument before Judges Buffington, McPherson and Woolley in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals today, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company made a further effort to overthrow an award of \$42,592.41 given the Hillside Coal and Coke Company, of Indiana County, Pa., by the Interstate Commerce Commission for unfair coal distribution.

RAILROADS ORDER MUCH EQUIPMENT

NEW YORK, March 15.—The Grand Trunk Railroad has placed an order with the Canadian Locomotive Company for ten Mikado type locomotives; the Union Tank Line has ordered 1000 tank cars from the American Car and Foundry Company, and the Burlington Railroad has ordered 125 tank cars from the Standard Steel Company.

CITY BALANCE \$19,085,091.24

The weekly statement issued by City Treasurer McCoach shows that the balance on hand today, not including the sinking fund account, was \$19,085,091.24.

MOORE DEPLORES HARBORS BILL DEFEAT

Defeat of the rivers and harbors bill by the last Congress is deplored by Congressman Moore, president of the Atlantic Deepwater Waterways Association, in a bulletin issued today to members of the organization.

JEWISH ASSOCIATION CONDEMNS LITERACY TEST

Restriction of immigration by the literacy test passed over President Wilson's veto is condemned in the 1916 report of the Association for the Protection of Jewish Immigrants, of Philadelphia, which was issued today.

B. AND O. PUTS EMBARGO ON PERISHABLE FREIGHT

BALTIMORE, March 15.—The Baltimore and Ohio has placed an embargo on perishable freight and live stock that cannot be delivered to its destination by Saturday morning.

SENATE CALLS FOR REGISTER OF AMERICAN SHIPS

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The Senate today adopted without objection or debate a resolution offered by Senator Stone, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, calling on the Secretary of Commerce to furnish it with a complete list of all vessels for which application for admission to American registry has been made since January 1, 1916.

KAISER STOPS BELGIAN DEPORTATIONS

AMSTERDAM, March 15.—Deportations from Belgium have been discontinued on direct orders of the Kaiser, according to Berlin reports reaching here today.

U. OF P. LABORATORIES AT DISPOSAL OF NATION

The Harrison Chemical Laboratory and the Randall Morgan Laboratory for Physics of the University of Pennsylvania have been placed at the disposal of the United States Government. This announcement was made today by Dr. Arthur Goodspeed, professor of physics of the institution.

DOPE EVIL CREEPS INTO U. S. ARMY

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The use of cocaine, heroin and other habit-forming drugs has crept into the United States army to an alarming extent, according to information in the hands of the Internal Revenue Bureau, which has charge of the enforcement of the Harrison and narcotic act.

PRESIDENT BETTER, BUT CANNOT SEE CALLERS

WASHINGTON, March 15.—President Wilson's condition was so much improved today that he was again able to sit up in his room, but he was not permitted to see callers.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS IN MEXICO IMPROVED

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Official information reaching the State Department today indicated a general improvement in conditions throughout Mexico.

RAILROAD MEN WEIGH OFFERS OF MAGNATES

Brotherhood Chiefs and Officials Hold Initial Conference

AUTHORITY TO ORDER STRIKE RESTRICTED

Right of Leaders to Act Based on Decision by Supreme Court

POSSIBILITY OF A SPLIT

Officials See Chance of Defection in Men's Ranks and, Hence, Easier Problem

NEW YORK, March 15. The four representatives of the railway brotherhoods, after a three-hour conference among themselves, went to the Grand Central terminal here at 4 o'clock and again went into the managers' committee conference room.

NEW YORK, March 15.

Directly opposite in mood—the brotherhood representatives ready to fight and the managers ready to offer compromise—the opposing factions in the grave crisis confronting the railroads of the country went into conference at 11:30 o'clock today.

Realizing that the strength of the combined brotherhoods must be shown at this time, the representatives of the "big four" marched into the conference room at the Grand Central Terminal and presented to the railway managers a resolution passed at a recent meeting in Chicago giving the brotherhood chiefs the right to call a strike.

LEADERS' AUTHORITY

Resolved, That should the Supreme Court find the Adamson law as in violation of the Constitution, that the railway executives of the four organizations represented by this body to convene the general committee of any railroad or group of railroads and proceed as they deem best, with full authority to call all men represented by the four brotherhoods on strike if necessary.

At 12:35 the meeting adjourned and the conferring factions went to lunch. W. G. Lee, of the brotherhood faction, told newspaper men there would be nothing to be given out until after 4 o'clock this afternoon when an adjournment may be taken.

The brotherhood chiefs were to go into conference immediately after lunch at their hotel headquarters to discuss the features of a proposition said to have been made them. They planned to announce a decision by 4 o'clock.

ROADS' PROPOSITION

A compromise on the basis of a raise in wages, it is said, but with no reference to the eight-hour feature of the men's demands is offered by the managers. It was not thought probable, however, that the men would agree to any such arrangement because of the fact that one of the most important features of their demands is the shortened day.

The brotherhoods according to gossip around conference headquarters, are in the final stages of their demands. Unless they force the railway heads immediately to make concessions railroad officials believe they must face the prospect of seeing a split in their own ranks.

"MYSTERIOUS VISITOR"

A mysterious visitor from Boston, who carried a large leather portfolio under his arm, appeared at the Grand Central terminal building and announced he brought a plan for settlement of the Broadway No. 10 said he had talked with President Theodore Roosevelt of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railway, and had been urged to appear before the conference.

WESTERN RAILROADS IGNORE STRIKE THREAT

CHICAGO, March 15.

Western railroads will put any brotherhood strike up to the public and the President, according to their executive officers here. They will operate what trains they can with the men who refuse to go on, but will not hire strike breakers.

If business is paralyzed they will put the situation up to the President and will not resist any action by the Government to take over the operation of the roads.

STRONG POLICE DETAILS TO GUARD RAILROADS

After conferring with Mayor J. P. Sweeney, Chief of Police J. J. Connelley today completed plans for police details to guard the roads in the event of a general railroad strike.