**U. S. PROTESTS NEW HIGH TAX ON MEXICO OIL** 

Firm but Friendly Representations Made to Carranza Government

BACKED BY GREAT BRITAIN

### Note Also Objects to "Denationalization" of Foreign Companies by First Chief's Orders

WASHINGTON, June 25. Firm but friendly representations to Mexico against new high taxes in the Tampico oll fields and other representations against the so-called "denationalization" of foreign companies have been made to the Carranza Government by the United States Government, it was learned today.

Great Britain is understood to have see onded the representations against the oil taxes, though whether she took the course

of sending a note to Carranza is not known The taxation representations, entirely lendly in tone, but quite insistent upon a change, seek to lower taxes which many Di men now regard as almost confiscatory. The other representations are directed sgainst the Carranza decree compelling all

farsign companies to operate under Mexican charter, thus taking them out from under the protection of their own governments.

Carranza's position is known to be that the oil taxes will furnish considerable money his government, but the American ritish Governments hold that with and British their large drafts of oil for navy and air pervice they are entitled to a greater con-sideration than has thus far been shown

The new tax law goes into effect July 16. Foreign operators, including Ameri-cans, will prohably pay their taxes under protest, relying on the hope and belief that General Carranza will be reasonable and make modifications.

Unknown to Carranza, it was learned to Unknown to Carranza, it was learned to-day, the German consul in the Tuxnam dis-trict has been sufficient in the Tuxnam dis-disturbances have occurred, but these have not been sufficient to cause any particular atom in government circles. Oil has been coming out freely at the rate of hundreds of thousands of barrels a day. Meantime there is an effort on the part of some government authorities to have California oil reserves opened up to meet increasing needs for crude oil. The navy maintains its reserve should be

The navy maintains its reserve should be kept intact; the interior Department feels that America's needs at present, especially for her proposed airplane fleet, are such that freeing of supplies would be advisable.

#### BOY DROWNS; TRIO RESCUED

### Four Lads Hurled Into Artificial Lake at Audubon When Raft Upsets

One boy drowned and three others wer seriled yesterday at an artificial lake at Audubon, near Camden, when they were thrown into ten feet of water by the over turning of a raft. Abraham Atchick, eleven years old, 511 Chestnut avenue, Audubon,

**GOETHALS ORDERS** drowned, while those saved were his brother, Paul, seven years old; Joseph Ber-tin and Nathan Tewey, twelve years old, all of Audubon Michael Soffin and George Washel, of Philadelphia, saved the three boys, while Chief of Police MacMillan recovered the Contracts Awarded for Ten Steel and Four Wooden

The lake is being made by damming up a branch of the Newton Creek. The boys were enjoying themselves middling about on a raft made of logs when it careened and all four fell into the water

### SCHEIDEMANN DEMANDS GERMAN DEMOCRACY

### Only Complete Internal Change Can Bring Peace, Socialist Chief Insists

BERLAN, June 25. Philip Scheidemann, the Socialist leader. has returned from the Stockholm conference. In the Vorwaerts he reveals himself as anything but optimistic concerning early peace prospects.

"In spite of Stockholm, alas," he says. we fear that we shall be called upon to face the fourth winter of war. To prevent his, if possible, in an honorable way, must he our duty. One of the means of achieving this, while not infallibly certain, yet, nevertheless most promising, is the democ entization of Germany.

November, 1918. Portland Ship Ceiling Campany, Port-land, Me.—Four wooden hulls, deliveries, February 1, 1918; March 1, 1918; May 1, 1918; June 15, 1918, respectively. Universal Shipbuilding Company, New Universal Shipbuilding Company, New After upbraiding the Government for its failure to make an exhaustive declaration with regard to its war aims in reply to the Socialist interpeliation, and declining party responsibility for the Government's course, Herr Scheldemann continues;

"We cannot undo what has already hap

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York city (works, Hounton Ship) Canal, Harris County, Texas)—Twelve wooden hulls; deliveries, one and two, seven months after completion of the ways; three and four, month later; five and six, nine months course. Herr Scheldemann continues: "I believe that each of us has returned . from Stockholm with the firm conviction that we are on the right road. We desired to see the prace policy of the Central Powers, initiated in April, 1915, carried out without sircumvention to completion. Then occurred what we had predicted and values the to stave off—war with the United States. As a result of this our opponents' hope of victory is revived and the war is continued. after completing wars; seven and eight, ten months after completing wars; eleven and twelve, twelve months after completing

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McBride & Law, Benumont, Tex-Four McBride & Law, Beaumont, Tex.—Four wooden hulls; deliveries, first hull, on or before March 1, 1918; second hull, on April 1, 1918; third hull, on May 1, 1918; fearth hull, on June 1, 1918. Newcomb Lifeboar Company, Hampton, Va.—Four complete wooden cargo-carrying steamships; deliveries, first, by January 15, 1918; talanes, one steamship every sixty days thereafter, so that last will be deliv-ered on or before July 16, 1918. "Let us ploture the European situation.

"Let us ploture the European situation, as it might have developed: In the east, a revolutionary, pence-insisting fluesia; across the seas. If only passively so, a neu-tral America. How much neuter would we have been to peace and how many obstacles with which our work in Stock-holm had to contend would then have been sensored.

### WATCH COCCHI TO GUARD AGAINST HIS SUICIDE

Cargo Ships

WASHINGTON, June 25.

### Slayer of Ruth Cruger Makes One Attempt to Dash Brains Out

dering of nations. It was in Stockholm that I finally accepted as my unshakable conviction that of which I had before been onscious-the thing cannot be achieved the sweeping democratization of Herr Scheldemann points out that the in-"Herr schenkemann points out that the in-sistent clamor at home for a new internal orientation has supplied fores with an effective war formula against Germany. This new tack, he adds, can effectively be met by giving the nation what it demands. The watchword should be "No party, only one watch of the state of the he has several times expressed the intention of committing suicide "to finish it all." For this reason be is not allowed to have in his cell towels, suspenders, bed sheets or metal knives. Forks and spoons. His jallers assert that on one occasion he at-tempted to dash his head against the wall, alfhough he soon became calm when the keepers threatened to put him in a strait-ineket.

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### PETROGRAD "REDS" **DEFY GOVERNMENT**

Fifteen Russians Who Have Lived in U.S. Lead Group in Stolen Mansion

ALL READY FOR BATTLE U. S. PLANS ONE AERO

By WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD PETROGRAD, June 25.

PETROGRAD, Aune 25. Fifteen Russians who lived in America are leaders in a group of anarchists which the Government has been attempting for days to persuade to abandon General Durnovo's house here. They have made the beautiful building a fifthy hole; they are disobeying the law against drinking of volka; they are threatening to give the Government a hot time in ejecting them. A party of Americans was permitted by the anarchists to visit the garden of their headquarters in this building today. Huge black banners, with the motto "death to all capitalists," fly in the brease. Armed sen-tries guard every approach. As I approached close to one gateway a youth, with rife carelessly hitched under his arm, shouted:

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men engaged in the task of constructing flying fields at Rantoul, III : Detroit, Mich. : Dayton, O., and Hampton, Va. The con-tract for the fifth site at Belleville, III., has his arm, shouted ; Come on in. old boy-you're an Ameri-

"Come on it. old hoy-you're an american" an " I explained I was a reporter-and im-mediately he thawed out even more in a hearty welcomo, speaking halting English with an American twang. No sooner had he begun to greet me in English than a score of others round about clustered, all excitedly and brokenly trying to talk at once. The crowd on the sidewalk outside, where the black banners marked off the anarchists headquarters, looked en with minarement. The average Runslan regards an annichts as a super-devil, hardly human, and they couldn't understand the apparently joyful accents with which I was greeted. ust been signed and work is expected to tart early this week on this fifth flying city. Each of the camps will cost \$688,000 to construct. The earning will construct the exception of the construct. The acreage needed for each field totals 640, and fifty-seven buildings for the housing of filers, machines and appurtenances will be neocessary. It is limated that more than 2,500,000 feet lumber and forty tons of nalls will be The buildings, which will be erected along one entire side of the flying field, include the ollowing: Eighteen hangars, ten officers quarters, one commanding officers' restance, one officers' club, one hospital, six meas

treeted. "Where do you live in America "" "What Where do you live in America? "What papers do you write for?" "Will what you write he published in Detroit?" "Do you write for any Frinco newspapers?" were some of the questions hurled at me as I was led through the portals to the inner 'How many of you here are from the ites" I asked. irtyard.

and we're making the best of it." "Don't you believe in war?" "To b--i with war-we've a bigger fight here against the capitalists." "Do you favor a separate peace?" "We're in favor of any old kind of a peace. But we aren't cowards. We are all flight to be killed when the Govern-ment calls out the troops to eject us from An eleven-year-old crippled boy, whose father is said to have threatened several years ago to take him and his younger sis-er from their mother, disappeared yester-

day morning on his way to the Princeton Presbyterian Eunday School, Powelton ave-nue and Saunders street, and has not been The boy, Eugene Howard, lives with his

here." "Were you fellows in the Russybolyn scrape" I usked, referring to a disturb-ance attributed to the anarchists. "Sure," responded one youth, who went on hurriedly to explain he had worked in a Detroit automobile factory. "What do you think of this?" he asked, patting his revolver. "That's the argument we're going to use." mother, Mrs. Hannah Howard, at 3614 Mar-ket street. When he left for Sunday school he wore a white shirt, blue sorge cap and rousers, black shoes and stockings, black

and white the, He was four feet hime and one-half inches tall, and weighed sinety pounds. His halr was dark. He were a brace on his right knee. He has attended the special school for cripples at Thirty-sixth and Ludiow streets for sev-eral wars. The mother said the how had

eral years. The mother said the boy had never before disappeared. She fears the

pating his revolver. "That's the argument we're going to use." "Yes," interjected a man who said he was formerly an expert machinist at Cleveland, "and lots of big potatoes" (Russian slang "Better come around in the morning." he continued. "The Government will be send-ing troops against us. We'll die before we surrender. You'll see war in these gardens." There were about ninety suarchists in the headquarters. Their leaders are Americans —and one of the Americans is a gumman who came from New York on a steamship She has never seen him since, but says she has had threats from him that he would some day take the children away from her. She is clowely guarding the other child, who is nine years old. The police have been notified who came from New York on a steamship by way of Norway. Officials here declare



the gunman type the most violent of all anarchists. Inside the Durnovo home dirt and filth are apparent everywhere. The men them-selves were patently unbathed. None seem to take the trouble to shave. I saw several young and pretty girls about the rooms. Our party was freely offered the forbidden yodka. Our leaders said there was a plenti-ful supply on hand. Everything indicated the anarchists were having the most lurid time of their lives. Haig Bites Still Deeper Into having the most lurid time of their lives. All Petrograd agrees with them in expecta-tion of a fierce pitched battle soon, to force their ejection from the Durnovo home. German Front Positions

### TAKE CAPTIVES AND GUNS

LONDON, June 25.

In a score of "minor operations," such as alds and patrol advances, mixed with local attacks, British forces bit still deeper into the German lines on the west front today.

"There were successful enterprises at night at a number of points in the neighborhood of Epchy, Bullecourt, Rocux, Loos and Hooge, where we raided enemy trenches An army aviation field completed every ninoty days until the nine authorized by Congress are constructed is the program killing many and taking several prisoners." Field Marshal Haig reported. "East of Vermelles in a raid we captured fifteen prisbuilding oners and two trench mortars, remaining in the enemy trenches more than two hours,

blowing up a dugout and inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. "Southwest of Lens and porthwest of

Warneton successful minor operations brought us prisoners and added to the ground gained in both localities."

### GERMAN DRIVE SLOWS DOWN ON FRENCH FRONT

### PARIS, June 25

Germany's counter-offensive drive in the region of Chemin-des-Dames slowed down last night to a mere artillery combat. The The French official statement today did not mention any infantry assaults of the kind that for three days had been fruitlessly thrown against the French positions, but specified "in the sector of Roylere and Froidmont farms, near Hurtebuise, and west of Chevreux, there was sharp canionading." The enemy troops were unsuccessful in raids attempted in the region of Chevreux. in the Woevre and St. Mihiel, all be driven back with losses to the Germans all being

halis, six cantonments of barracks, one power house, one gymnasium, two guard houses, one schoolhouse, one aero supply station, one administration building, one gasoline storage boune, one garage, one blacksmith shop, one machine shop, one postaffice and one Y. M. C. A. building. Fancy Diamond Rings

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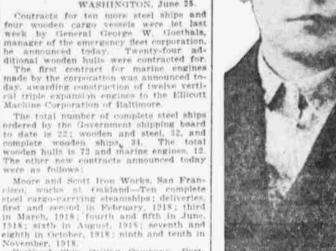


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His moods frequently change. Sometimes he is so cheerful that he sings, but he often is plunged into despest despendency, with periods of hysteria, in which he expresses the fear that the Italiah Government will Pennsylvania Regiment guardsman



### EUGENE HOWARD

Eleven-year-old boy, who left his home, 3614 Market street, yesterday, to attend Sunday school at Princeton Presbyterian Church and has not been heard from since.

## CRIPPLED BOY VANISHES

Mother Declares Deserting Father Told Her He Would Take Child

father, Orville Howard who, she says

serted her eight years ago, may have taken

She has never seen him since, but say

heard of since

the box.

GOING TO BIBLE SCHOOL

States?" I asked. "Fifteen," was the reply, "What are you acting like this for?" "We're anarchists, always," one man an-wered proudly. "We were when we were in the United States-but we never got

a chance for action. Now is our chance and we're making the best of it."



# "Are We Not Worthy?"

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