

S. FIRING PACE TOO HOT FOR FOE

German Guns Give Up Attempt to Reply Shell for Shell

GAS TANKS DESTROYED

With the American Army in France, March 15 (Philadelphia). American batteries last night again opened out certain spots in the German front line on the Toul front, where it was suspected the enemy had placed gas tanks. American observers located the spots and artillery fire was directed at them at intervals all night long.

Today's situation saw the German front taking photographs. They showed that the American gunners had been steadily working over the positions, being completely destroyed. The Germans have given up their attempt to fire shell for shell against the Americans. They tried this at first, but the Americans, who even yet have not reached their limit, set too hot a pace for the enemy.

It has been learned from German reports that German officers continually warn their gunners against waste of ammunition. A few German engines have become busy again. The Germans also are working hard to try to rebuild positions which have been destroyed by American artillery fire.

The weather improved today, a road wind drying on the muddy roads. The Americans welcome the change. The transport section was also highly pleased. The wind has interfered with aerial activity some, although captive balloons were sent up by both sides today. An American engine was captured today, captured a German, who had escaped from a prison camp in France. The German evidently was trying to seek across St. Marie Island in the German trenches during the night. American sentry detected him as he made his way through the American first line trench. He surrendered when he was detected.

The Germans on the Toul front should be convinced by now that the Americans are keeping close watch on them. The other night the American outposts heard singing and talking at a certain point. Soon afterward a German head popped up from the top of the enemy's trench. He was greeted with a shower of American bullets.

Berlin, March 15. General artillery on the west front was reported by the War Office today.

Soviets Split on Ratifying Peace

Continued from Page One. been given England based on such a basis were without official confirmation here, but diplomats have foreseen the likelihood of such proposals. As for the question of Japanese intervention—it is considered quite possible Japan will have no objection to the need for action in Siberia in the event of the Soviet endorsement of the Russo-German peace and its attitude toward American intervention. The murmurs of the Soviet Congress about the Japanese situation would indicate that the Russians are not fully informed of American opposition to Japanese intervention. That single suggestion was taken here to support thoroughly the American position that Japanese action would cement the Russian trend toward pacific hands with Germany. As for Japanese action, it was suggested by previous news that it would not be taken in advance of the arrival of Ambassador Ishii. He has not yet left Tokyo, but his departure is imminent. President Wilson's confidence in Ishii and conference with him may help to clarify difficulties considerably. Indeed, the Japanese consider action essential before he has time to reach here.

JAPAN MAY FORM COALITION CABINET

Tokyo, March 16. Suggestion of a coalition cabinet to deal with the present situation has been gaining strength here today. British Ambassador Greene is understood to have stated the views of Great Britain, France and Italy regarding the situation. It is further understood, however, that the definite attitude of America has not yet been communicated. Mr. Greene, it is reported, has advised Japan has made a formal request for endorsement of an expedition into Siberia. Significance is attached to the conference of the Hayama palace between the Japanese Emperor and his minister, Count Okuma, and his minister, Count Okuma. The Emperor has decided to return to Tokyo to confer with General Morry. He has already conferred with Premier Motono.

BOLSHEVIK SPLIT WILL RENEW WAR ON HUNS

(Written for the United Press.) New York, March 16. The first serious clash of authority between the extremist factions in the Russian Government has come over the Bolsheviki acceptance of Germany's peace terms. A continuation of the war against Germany, either formally or as a revolutionary movement, is now usually certain by this split. The Social Revolutionary committee who refuse to continue to cooperate with a peace Government are probably acting under the influence of Leon Trotsky, who has deserted the permanent peace faction of the Bolsheviki to become commander of war. If the indications are right, that suggest Trotsky as the most influential leader against German imperialism, his attitude has been greatly strengthened by the action of the Social Revolutionaries. It is inevitable that a coalition government be formed that is proving unfruitful in the Bolsheviki program. Men of the Bolsheviki program, who are supreme danger to Russia from German imperialism are coming to the aid of the refusal of the Social Revolutionaries to cooperate further with the Bolsheviki is indicative of this.

TROLLEYMEN STRIKE AT CAMP MEADE

Baltimore, Md., March 15.—More than twenty men, employees of the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Electric Railway, went out on a strike yesterday, after being refused an increase in wages. The line is the only rail connection between Camp Meade, Baltimore and Washington, and unless steps are taken immediately to settle the strike all traffic from Camp Meade, with the exception of auto buses, may be suspended. It is feared that other men may follow. The men are conductors and brakemen on the trains, but according to officials of the company they are men who have only been in the employ of the railway for a short period and are considered as learners.

MEADE TO RECEIVE 1530 IN NEW DRAFT

Baltimore, Md., March 15. The new draft law will be applied to the

1722 TOTAL U.S. CASUALTIES IN FRANCE; 162 DIE IN BATTLE

Table showing casualties by class for the week ending March 15, 1918. Columns include Deaths, Wounded, and Total Casualties.

REGIMENTAL BANDMEN HAVE VARIED DUTIES AT LITTLE PENN

Besides Giving Concerts They Have Charge of Signal Work, Which Includes Many Essentials of Camp Life

Camp Meade, Md., March 15. Upon the idea of organizing a band of regimental bandmen, which is now being carried out at Little Penn, Md., the bandmen have charge of signal work, which includes many essentials of camp life. The bandmen are also in charge of the signal work, which includes many essentials of camp life. The bandmen are also in charge of the signal work, which includes many essentials of camp life.

GEORGIA WOMEN BEGIN THRIFT-STAMP CANVASS

Macon Street Corners and Business Houses Picketed by the Fair Sex

Macon, Ga., March 15.—Women of Macon have taken up the thrift-stamp campaign in earnest. A special drive is on today. Women are stationed on street corners in drug stores and large business houses in order to give every one an opportunity to invest small sums and thus swell the Government's war chest.

WELSH IN DASHING RAID ON HUN LINES

Continued from Page One. and Quartermaster General Ludendorff had established headquarters at the spa.

MONASTIR IS HEAVILY SHELLED BY BULGARS

London, March 15. Bulgarian artillery heavily shelled Monastir on Wednesday, according to a dispatch from Sofia today.

FINNS LED BY AMERICANS Men Who Have Lived Years in U. S. Lead Troops

Stockholm, March 15.—Americans are playing an active part in the movements of the Finnish guard. The commander-in-chief of the guard is said to be a man named Wesley, who with his father fled from Finland to America seventeen years ago to avoid imprisonment for circulating seditious literature; he was employed for several years as an engineer in an American automobile plant.

ITALY LOSES FIVE VESSELS

Rome, March 15.—An official report for the week ending March 8 says 430 merchantmen entered and 531 left Italian ports. The Italians lost two steamships of more than 1000 tons each and one vessel under that tonnage. Two small sailing vessels also were lost. One steamship was attacked, but without result.

"LIBERTY IS EVER COSTLY"

New York, March 15.—Lawyers representing various interests in connection with the fight for the custody of William Crossman Lee, "the poor little fellow," are expected to appear today in court.

HUN 'HATE HYMN' FOR U. S. SWELLS

'Mailed Fist' Poised for Smashing Blow at American Forces

BLAME U. S. FOR WAR NOW

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Washington, March 15. U-boats are being trumped by the U. S. and Allies' destroyers, says a House committee report today. The report says that the U. S. and Allies' destroyers are overcoming the menace of U-boats.

JEALOUS, CUT WIFE'S THROAT

New York, March 15.—John Perez, a jealous husband, cut his wife's throat today in a jealous rage. The victim was found in a pool of blood in her home.

POETRY FOR POLKS BACK HOME

When it comes to poetry, the Liberty Division has an abundance. We have spent beyond borders, come with short, mechanical of every description, and every one of our poets is a poet of two. One of our poets is Private Carl H. Wrenn, of the army artillery headquarters troop, Wrenn is from Camp Meade, Md., which is the best State in the Union. Wrenn penned the following lines in order that the folks back home should appreciate his efforts with the knitting needles.

The hours I spend on these dear socks, Are as a string on a sock to me, I knit them with a steady click— My fingers, my needles.

First two I knit, then two I knit, And round the leg I knit each part, I've knitted the best.

John Has Forgotten to Write I am sorry that one of our boys has neglected the little girl back home, but it is apparent that he has, for a young soldier in Cincinnati, O., has requested the general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. to search for him and induce him to write to the girl.

"Dear Mr. Secretary: 'May I ask a little favor of you? I know you sometimes select a soldier boy that is dear to me. I know he is at Camp Meade, but don't know his address. So can you find room for these few words in your paper?'"

"Will, please, a certain John write the letter he promised to write to the girl in Cincinnati he used to call sweet-heart?"

"I will thank you in advance and be most gratefully yours, 'FORGOTTEN' Good night. Sincerely yours, BOB."

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ANCIENT INN NO LONGER HONORS KING OF PRUSSIA

Times change and the evolution of names goes forward, swayed by the wind of public sentiment and popular disapproval.

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LOWEST-PAID R. R. MEN TO GET BIGGEST RISE

Wage Commission Will Give Special Attention to Men Getting Little Pay

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Bowles Promises to Furnish Material and Labor and Wait for Money

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Advertisement for DON DIGO REINA VICTORIA SIZE 10¢ cigarette. Includes image of a man in a military uniform.

Advertisement for HOTEL MARTINIQUE BROADWAY, 32D STREET, NEW YORK. Includes logo 'THE HEART OF THINGS'.

Large advertisement for 'In the Spring' fashion supplement. Features a woman in a spring dress and text about fashion trends.