

LAND AND SEA FORCES MASSED AGAINST RUSSIA

Kaiser Throws Great Military Machine Against the Withered Line Retreating in Disorder From the Riga Region; Safety of Republican Armies and Baltic Fleet Threatened by New Move

Petrograd, Sept. 6.—The Russians are continuing their retreat toward the Northeast in the Riga region crossing the Melup river, the war office announces.

With the appearance of a German fleet in the Gulf of Riga the difficulties of the problem facing the Russians in the operations on their northern front are accentuated. Not only is the safety of their armies concerned but apprehensions are excited as to what will happen to the Russian fleet in German naval forces are given full swing in the Baltic.

Only submarines so far have been operating against the Russian right flank as it fell back along the gulf of Riga coast. Larger warships now bid fair to take part in the activities, increasing the troubles of the Russians in the task of keeping their flank protected.

As to actual operations against the Russian fleet, it does not appear to be expected that they will develop until the land campaign has progressed further and it is seen that success the Russians will have in their effort to make a stand on a new line. Moreover it is a long way over land to Revel, where the Russian warships are supposed to be chiefly congregated. The Riga gulf, however, would offer a favorable base for purely naval operations against Revel, if these should be decided upon.

On the forty-mile front of the break in the Russian lines the Germans are pushing their advantage and have as yet met with no effective resistance. It is declared, however, that the Russian retreat is by no means a rout and that a well-defined plan is being carried out in the retrograde movement. Its success admittedly depends upon the behavior of the Russian troops, whose morale on this front is now reported to be better than the numerous counts of the retreat seemed to indicate.

The Italian campaign for Trieste is being vigorously pushed in the face of vast concentrations of Austrian infantry and artillery and General Cadorna continues to report progress.

It seems that the unofficial reports of the capture of San Gabriele by the Italians were premature, judging from the latest advices. The reduction of this last remaining stronghold of the Austrians in the Gorizia hills, is accounted a certainty by the many writers in view of the steady Italian progress through the protecting works.

Holding Firm

General Lord's report to-day shows the Italians holding firm on the Carso where the Austrians have massed great reserves for the defense of Trieste and to repel the Italian counterattacks. The Italians took about 700 additional prisoners.

To-day's official reports from Berlin and Petrograd add little to the details of the Russian retreat except to show that the Russian left flank engaged in the operations at Friedland and the Dvina, the Russians having abandoned their Dvina positions that far (about 45 miles) to the southeast of Riga, but that the number of prisoners taken by the Germans has been rather surprisingly small, compared with their earlier captures.

The accident occurred about five o'clock this morning, just as Mr. Wilson was about to return to Harrisburg in his auto with William Strawhecker, Fifteenth and Hunter streets, whose machine was damaged last night when he crashed into a tree which was being removed by the State Highway Department. Mr. Strawhecker, with his parents, was slightly hurt in this accident. Early to-day he asked Mr. Wilson to accompany him to Inglenook and make the necessary repairs to the damaged auto. A heavy thunderstorm was passing over the region at the time and just as the men were about to return a bolt of lightning struck the tree, splitting it and then struck Mr. Wilson's auto. Mr. Strawhecker was standing to the rear of the car at the time and was not hurt.

Mr. Wilson is editor of Progress, a publication issued by the Brotherhood Relief and Compensation Fund, maintained by railroad employes.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Showers to-night; Friday fair; cooler to-night and Friday.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Showers to-night; Friday fair in south, showers in north portions; cooler moderate west to northwest winds.

River

The Susquehanna river and probably all its branches will fall slowly except the lower portion of the main river, which will rise slightly or remain nearly stationary to-night. Heavy showers to-day may cause rises in some of the northern streams of the system. A stage of about 43 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

General Conditions

The disturbance that appeared over the Upper Mississippi Valley Wednesday morning, has moved rapidly eastward and is now central over the Upper St. Lawrence Valley. It has caused showers generally in the Lake Region and Middle Atlantic States in the last twenty-four hours.

There has been a general rise of 2 to 15 degrees in temperature south and east of the Great Lakes, being most decided in the Ohio Valley and New York State.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 62.
Sun: Rises 5:38 a. m.; sets, 6:28 p. m.
Moon: Rises, 9:14 p. m.
River: Stage, 4.5 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather
Highest temperature, 72.
Lowest temperature, 58.
Mean temperature, 62.
Normal temperature, 68.

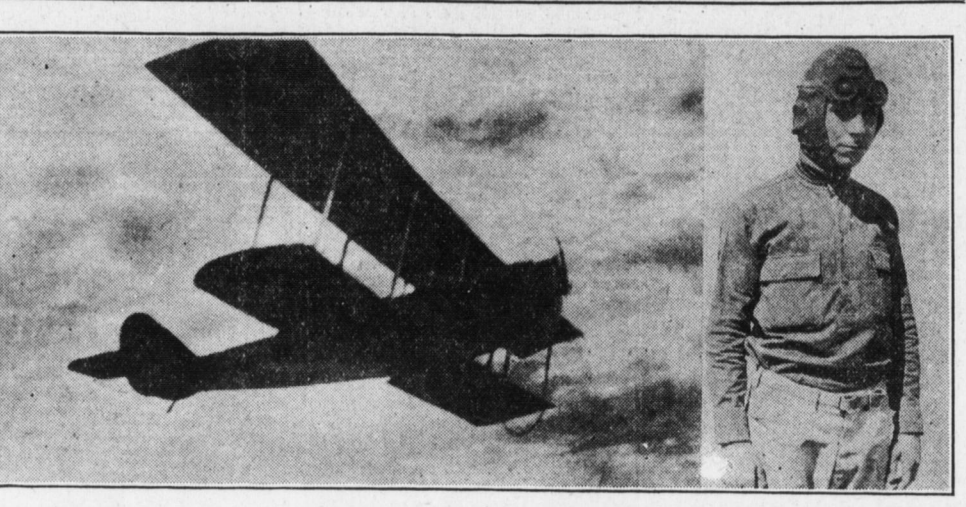
Ammunition Supply Train Will Pass Through City on Way to Camp Hancock

Orders have been received at Mt. Gretna training camp by Ammunition Supply Train No. 6, commanded by Lieutenant Harry Souders, of Harrisburg, to move to Camp Hancock today. They are expected to pass through this city late this afternoon, but it is probable that they will be allowed to leave their cars. This train is composed largely of Harrisburg boys and their passage through this city will be awaited by a large number of friends.

Drinking and Smoking Real Luxuries in Denmark

Copenhagen, Sept. 6.—Drinking and smoking will really be luxuries in Denmark under the new taxation program just introduced in Parliament. This provides for a special tax on wines equal to the retail price per bottle exactly doubling the cost to the consumer, and almost doubling the tax on beer, making it, according to the president of the Brewers' League, the highest in the world. The measures increase the tax on cigars, cigarettes and tobacco from 20 to 33 per cent. on the retail price,

HARRISBURG AVIATOR, ON WAY TO FRANCE AS HE APPEARED AFTER RECENT FLIGHT



In his flights as a member of the Twenty-third United States Aviation Corps, Robert Merle Mace of this city has won distinction. He is on record as making a number of difficult aerial trips and is said to be now in the expert class. His company has a pet flyer known as "No. 134." The Harrisburger had one narrow escape. He made a flight in his favorite flyer and was scheduled to accompany another member of the corps on the following day. An order sent Aviator Mace to other duties. That day the big aeroplane worked badly and the young man in charge met his death. The aeroplane was damaged, but has since been rebuilt. The local aviator passed through Harrisburg yesterday. He is a son of Mrs. William K. Crozier, 1523 Swatara street. The above picture shows the famous "134" in the air, and the Harrisburg flyer in uniform.

COAL INCREASES FIVE CENTS TO DOLLAR A TON

Pea Takes Largest Jump; Nut, Buckwheat and Mixed Pea Also Up

Washington, Sept. 6.—Establishment of retail coal prices for all communities with the assistance of local committees is the next step of the fuel administration according to an announcement by Dr. H. A. Garfield, administrator. The co-operation of operators, miners, wholesalers, retailers and consumers will be enlisted to obtain the maximum efficiency of the industry. The government aims to stimulate production to the highest possible point with prices fair both to the producer and consumer.

Coal has taken the expected advance to-day. The increase will become effective at once, and ranges from five cents per ton on hard broken to \$1 per ton on pea coal. The increase is not as large as several dealers anticipated. It might be, when interviewed a few days ago. The various grades used in this section advance as follows: Buckwheat, 45 cents; pea, \$1.00; No. 2, mixed pea and nut, 65 cents; egg, 15 cents; hard broken, 5 cents.

Walter L. Montgomery, chairman of the Harrisburg Coal Exchange, announced that these prices would be effective to-day. While there may be a slight variation from the figures given in some individual cases.

River Coal Will Be Used Almost Exclusively by Central Iron and Steel

Because of the difficulty of securing coal promptly and its high price the Central Iron and Steel Company is attaching blowers to all its grades so that river coal will be used almost exclusively.

Large quantities of river coal have been used in recent years at the Central Iron and Steel plant but it is hoped to increase its use still further by the use of a forced draught. In recent years a coal fleet has been engaged in removing coal from the river below the city exclusively for the plant.

APPEAL BOARD GIVES THIS MAN RAISE IN PAY AND CLOTHES

The old grist mill is to be gristless, and the grister is to be soon sent among the boys who will congregate at Camp Meade and make ready to serve their country. But the grister does not want to stop gristing and become a soldier, and therein hangs a tale.

About three and a half years ago a young man arrived in a beautiful valley of Columbia county. Eager to work and learn a trade was this young man. So to the grist mill he went. The old mill was turning its gears slowly in those days. So slow in fact that the gristing business was in danger of ceasing. This was the young man's chance. Applying for the position as helper, he was hired at the rate of his rations and board a month until he became acquainted with the working of the grist mill.

After three and a half years of labor the young man is found still at his job, but what a change.

From a mere helper three years ago, he has risen to the heights of the only employe in a one-man mill. Yeah, he and his boss are the only workers. So diligent a worker is this young man that he does not need any more help. And so pleased is the "boss" with his helper that he pays him the handsome sum of \$20 a month and board. All this money the young man receives every first day of the month for working at least fourteen hours a day and sometimes twenty hours.

Magnificent salary. However, Uncle Sammy wants the miller's helper to help him. The miller's helper is not a slacker, as is testified by the work he does, but he likes his boss too much. Therein lies the whole trouble. The young man knows that without him the mill will stop grinding, and the boss is also aware of this fact. Now the young man is generous and grateful for the splendid life that he received from the miller and has filed a claim of exemption with the appeal board and he and his boss have filed affidavits with the board and read at the meeting of the appeal board yesterday by President Tracy. Mr. Tracy's reading was listened to carefully by the other members of the board and in some instances wet eyes could be seen, when the wonderful spirit of gratitude was brought to light in the young man's statements. His love for his "boss" was wonderful. His thoughtfulness was unheard of. His faithfulness was touching. "We shall exempt you," the board said.

"No," said Howard E. Bules, of Huntingdon, secretary of the board. "I have a better plan. We will board this young man. We will give him honor him. We will give him what he is granted a handsome increase in salary, and also his clothes, board and room, be thrown in." "That is fine," responded the rest of the board, "what hall we do." "Let him join the Army," said Mr. Bules. This was done and the grister is now listed among the chosen few.

U. S. TO SUPPRESS CAN NOT CHANGE ANNEXATION VOTE SOLICITOR SAYS

Scores of Raids Throughout Nation to Round Up Traitors Too Late For Council to Consider Riverside Move, Is Legal Ruling

Washington, Sept. 6.—The Government as the result of country-wide raids yesterday on headquarters of I. W. W., Socialist and other organizations was to-day in possession of an effort to be used as evidence in an effort to suppress alleged activities of a seditious nature. The seizures, the Department of Justice announced, were in connection with Federal grand jury investigations in Chicago.

Moving with a suddenness unexpected by disloyal groups, the Government took drastic action to end the pacifist propaganda conducted by the Industrial Workers of the World, the Socialist party and other organizations throughout the United States. The far-reaching effect of the Government's coup, which extended to all sections of the country, can only be guessed at as yet. There is no question, however, that it is the strongest blow yet struck for the suppression of treason at home, and that hereafter it will be more dangerous for any person in this country to play, knowingly or unknowingly, the Prussian game.

Traitors Hard Hit

The Industrial Workers of the World, whose efforts to embarrass the Government by curtailing production of necessities in the prosecution of the war have been causing considerable anxiety, were hit hard in a series of simultaneous raids. On orders from the attorney general, Mr. Gregory, United States marshals in more than one hundred cities and towns descended upon the local I. W. W. headquarters at exactly 2 o'clock in the afternoon, central time.

The Federal agents seized books, checks, correspondence and other documents in every instance. In some cases they arrested officials found upon the premises. The arrest of William D. Haywood, national secretary of the organization, at Chicago was a conspicuous example and led to the belief that the documents seized at other places where arrests were made might be used as evidence against him.

Scores of Raids

In Chicago, Federal agents also took possession of the national headquarters of the Socialist party and a warrant authorizing the seizure of its documents were served upon its counsel.

ONLY THIRTY OF 200 EXEMPTION PLEAS GRANTED

Appeal Board Refuses to Make Blanket Rulings During Hearings

FEW STEELTON CLAIMS

Of 2,435 Liable to Draft, Bethlehem Steel Asks to Have Eleven Excused

LABOR PLEDGES LOYALTY TO U. S. DURING THE WAR

Union Men to Stand Together Until Armies Sweep Forward to Peace TO ORGANIZE BRANCHES

Coast to Coast Campaign to Combat Pro-Germans and Traitors

TROOP C GOES TUESDAY; ISLAND BOYS MONDAY

First Cavalry Will Follow Immediately After Eighth Regiment

PLAN MONSTER PARADE

Whole City Will Turn Out to Honor Men Off on First Leg to France

The men at the Island anxiously await the official notice to leave for Camp Hancock. It is generally believed that the Eighth Infantry will leave this place on Monday, but this will not be definitely known until the official orders have been received.

In the meantime, Chief Marshal Edwin C. Humer is completing all arrangements for the big demonstration which is being planned for the men upon their departure.

Tries New Prophecy on War When Old One Fails

Copenhagen, Sept. 6.—Herr Von Heydebrand, the conservative leader whose ill fortune with an earlier prophecy that the submarines would crush England within two months and end the war fresh in mind, has again ventured a forecast. This time he predicts that the war will not last through the winter and probably will be ended by the new year.

Picked Chinese Troops Ready to Be Sent Into Trenches of Europe

San Francisco, Sept. 6.—The Twenty-fourth Chinese Army Corps, composed of 15,000 picked troops from the northern provinces, is being mobilized in a Chinese city for immediate departure to Europe, according to a cablegram received here by the Chinese Daily World from its correspondent at Shanghai. The dispatch, endorsed by American officials, stated that the troops would be transferred through Siberia to the eastern front. The message hinted that gaps in the Russian armies also would be filled by Japanese.

JAPS WANT STEEL EMBARGO LIFTED

Kobe, Japan, Sept. 6.—At a large mass meeting here to-day resolutions were adopted declaring that the American embargo on steel products used in shipbuilding menaced the prosperity of the city and urging that the embargo be lifted as it affects Japan. A cablegram requesting relief was sent to President Wilson.

REPEL GERMAN ATTACKS

Paris, Sept. 6.—Two German attacks on the Aisne front last night were repelled by the French, says to-day's official statement. Heavy artillery fighting occurred on the Champagne and Verdun fronts.

ITALIANS CONTINUE ADVANCE

Rome, Sept. 6.—The desperate battle for the possession of vital positions in the district northeast of Gorizia on the Austro-Italian front is continuing, according to to-day's war office statement. The Italians yesterday took more than 500 additional prisoners.

O'NEIL TAKES OFFICE

Harrisburg—J. Denny O'Neil took the oath of office before Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth God Charles this afternoon. Insurance Commissioners Ambler is expected to qualify late to-day or early to-morrow morning.

RUSS LINE RETREATS

Petrograd, Sept. 6.—It is semi-officially announced that a German fleet has appeared in the Gulf of Riga. During the last two days the Riga front has been broken on a width of sixty versts. Throughout Tuesday the Germans energetically pursued their offensive, particularly north of Uskull in order to cut the Riga-Venden railway.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George C. Dorsey, New York, and Annie D. Carter, St. Mary's county, Md.; Levere H. Hess and Alice K. Botta, Harrisburg; William Cross and Edna Jordan, Grassypoint, N. Y.; Earl Harris and Ethel R. Dunske, Harrisburg; John J. Walsh, Gettysburg, and Jennie E. Pritchard, Harrisburg.

NO COMPROMISE ON ALSACE-LORRAINE

Paris, Sept. 6.—France will not compromise on the question of recovery of Alsace and Lorraine, Premier Ribot declared to-day in an address delivered in connection with the celebration of the anniversary of the battle of the Marne. He said France would not consent to a diplomatic discussion as to whether the provinces should be restored.

YOUNG MARRIED MEN NOT ADOPTING CHILDREN HERE TO AVOID DRAFT

As a measure of preparedness the Children's Aid Society is making an even more rigid investigation into means and condition of all applicants under 21 years of age who desire to adopt children.

Narrow Escape From Death When Trolley Smashes His Bicycle

Suffering from a bruised knee, lacerated arm, and more scared than hurt, Lawrence Danner is resting comfortably at his home, 1958 North Seventh street after experiencing the most narrow escape from death in his life.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS DO NOT PLAN TO CHANGE TECH TO BOYS' SCHOOL

City school officials are not planning to change the name of the Technical high school to the boys' high school with the adoption of the classical course to accommodate the scores of freshmen enrolled who will pursue academic instead of manual training studies.

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