



ADVANCE ON PETROGRAD UNCHECKED BY RED GUARD

SLAVS FAIL TO DELAY LATEST GERMAN DRIVE

Hun Troops, Having Occupied Dvinsk, Are Advancing Toward Pskoff, 180 Miles From Petrograd; Teuton Airmen Join in Raids; Many Are Killed; Red Guards Offer Slight Resistance

By Associated Press

Berlin, Feb. 21.—Via London.—The Russian town of Rovno has been cleared of the Russians, the war office reports. Trains with about 1,000 cars, many laden with food, have been captured, as well as airplanes and an incalculable amount of war material.

The war office announces that 1,353 guns and between 4,000 and 5,000 motor cars have been captured from the Russians.

The Germans have passed through Wenden, 55 miles northeast of Riga, and are now near Wolmar, 70 miles northeast of Riga.

German regiments from Moon Island crossed Moon sound and marched into Esthonia, occupying Leal. Other forces, advancing along the shore of the Gulf of Riga, reached Perngal and Lemsal.

London, Feb. 21.—German troops, having occupied Dvinsk, are advancing toward Pskoff, 180 miles south-southwest of Petrograd, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd. They also have occupied Hapsal, Esthonia and their cavalry is pushing toward Mohilev, the former Russian general headquarters.

The Novaya Viedomsty, the dispatch adds says the Germans have occupied Molodechno, an important railway junction northwest of Minsk. According to the Pravda the Austrians have begun an advance on the Ukrainian front.

Petrograd, Wednesday, Feb. 20.—Dispatches received here indicate continued German movements along all fronts toward Vitebsk, Minsk, Pskoff and Reval.

German airmen are reported to have raided Reval on Monday. Many bombs were dropped and several persons were killed. The raiders disappeared toward Dvinsk.

Just two hours after the armistice ended, German troops entered Dvinsk. It was 2 o'clock on the afternoon of February 18, that German patrols unexpectedly appeared around the city and seized the railway station and other central points. Only small skirmishes with fleeing soldiers took place. The Red Guards offered no resistance, while the artillery and infantry were demobilizing and wholly unprepared to fight.

Attempts to evacuate the city were unsuccessful. Much heavy artillery and large quantities of ammunition fell into the hands of the Germans. Civil population had no opportunity to escape.

The commissaries of the local Workmen's and Soldiers' Council tried to escape disguised as soldiers, but they were seized by the Germans.

HARRISBURG has gone over the top on EVERY DEMAND

yet it is not saving money Buy Thrift Stamps That's the answer.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and continued cold to-night and Friday; lowest temperature tonight about 5 degrees.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair, continued cold to-night and Friday; diminishing northwest winds.

River The ice gorge in the West Branch at Nesbit, moved out Wednesday night, passing Williamsport on a stage of 21.4 feet. The port on Lock Haven was still intact this morning, but the water behind it has been receding since the lower gorge moved. The ice from the broken river and was passing Sellersgrove at 8 a. m. to-day on a Harrisburg late this afternoon, attended by a sharp rise of several feet in the river. A maximum stage of about 10 feet is indicated for Harrisburg about 7 or 8 p. m. By 8 p. m. Friday, the stage will be about 15.2 feet.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 30. Sun: Rise, 6:35 a. m.; sets, 5:35 p. m. River stage: 10.5 feet above low-water mark. Moon: Full moon, February 25.

THE TRUCE OF THE BEAST



YANKEES AT MERCY OF HUN FLYERS; U. S. RUSHES AIRPLANES

Control of Air in France Belongs to Enemy; "Send Airplanes," Is Cry of Officials at the Front

With the American Army in France, Feb. 20.—Control of the air in the American sector belongs to the enemy. Any officer at the front will make this declaration—all have made it. The control is obvious. German airplanes come and go over the American lines almost at will.

Every time the Germans come over their path through the sky is followed by fleecy shrapnel puffs, but the chances of hitting an airplane with anti-aircraft shells is so remote that the enemy aviators calmly fly along as though on a pleasure tour. Every now and then airplanes on this side attack the enemy. They always do this when they get a chance. But the Boche is clever while flying and manages to come over and take pictures, make observation and do virtually whatever else he desires and then calmly sails home without interruption. Nearly always he is at an altitude of about three thousand meters where he is comparatively safe from anti-aircraft fire and knows it. It is not permitted to name any

U. S. Rushes First Planes to France to Combat Hun Flyers

Washington, Feb. 21.—The first American-built battleplanes are on their way to the front in France. Equipped with twelve-cylinder Liberty motors and representing the latest product of combined Allied ingenuity, they have surpassed in tests all records for speed and climbing for planes of their type.

They are being delivered virtually four months ahead of schedule. Other battleplanes will follow immediately.

HIS 54 YEARS' EXPERIENCE KEEPS HIM OUT OF U. S. ARMY

Jack of Many Trades Despite His Twenty-Two Years to Remain at Home on the Farm

Here's a man too valuable at home to send to the Army where the Hun shell might end a long career. At least that's the opinion of draft board officials, so Albert Fay Rothrock, a Millin county farmer, will continue farming mayhap until the war ends.

When Rothrock asked for deferment classification in such work, he came to the column where each registrant was to give an account of what he can do and how long he has done it. This was his record:

Automobile and truck driver, three years. Farmer, twelve years. Horseman, five years. Student, five years. Teacher, four years. Teamster, ten years. In all Rothrock has had fifty-four years of experience in such work, enough to make him believe himself "expert" in farming, horsemanship and teamsteering. Rothrock is 22 years old.

RAILROAD BILL IS FORERUNNER OF MORE POWER

Government Control of Other Utilities to Be Campaign Issue

Washington, Feb. 21.—Senator Lewis, of Illinois, speaking in the Senate to-day declared the administration railroad bill is a forerunner of government control over various public utilities and predicted that the question would be the great domestic issue in the next presidential campaign.

"Let us not deceive ourselves as to the meaning of this measure," Senator Lewis declared. "This is the beginning of the government taking the railroads as a government property. The roads will never be permitted to return to the former state of personal control for private benefit. At the same time this country

Must Defend Outraged Liberty, Prince Leopold Assures German Troops

London, Feb. 21.—An intercepted German wireless message, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd, quotes Prince Leopold of Bavaria, the Austro-German commander on the eastern front, as saying to his troops:

"Russia is sick and is trying to contaminate all the countries in the world with a moral infection. We must fight against the disorder incited by Trotsky and defend our freedom of liberty. Germany is fortunate in being the incarnation of the sentiments of other order-loving people."

Police Round Up Loafers Under Mayor's Ruling

Police are vigorously enforcing the edict of the Mayor against loafing and panhandling in the city. Offenders without visible means of support are being roped in upon sight by the police, and heavy fines imposed at the police court hearings. Twenty \$5 fines were imposed in three instances yesterday, and one man was discharged upon the promise that he would get to work. Police are constantly on the outlook for offenders and declare that many well-known offenders have got to work since the order went out from the executive office.

RIVER EXPECTED TO REACH FLOOD STAGE BY NIGHT

Great Masses of Ice Being Carried Down Stream by High Water

FEAR DANGEROUS GORGE

Cold Weather to Continue, With Further Drop in Temperature

The river will reach a sixteen-foot high water stage this evening when the crest of the flood bearing ice from the west branch will pass this city. It is expected that the ice will pass the city without damage. Flood stage for Harrisburg is seventeen feet.

The ice remains gorged at Pequea, and it is a question if the great field of ice bearing down from the west branch will pile up on the gorge and cause disastrous conditions, or whether it will have sufficient force to push the gorge to the sea.

The gorge at Nesbit broke early this morning. At 7 o'clock the gorge between Jersey Shore and Lock Haven broke. Some of the ice gorged again, and remains piled up at Brown's Tower, a point five miles above Jersey Shore. The rest of the ice passed Williamsport this morning on a 21.4 flood stage, without doing much damage.

Lock Haven remains flooded to-day, with five feet of water in the business section, and the railroad tracks covered with seven feet of water. Citizens of the town were confined to the second story of their homes last night without light and heat, owing to the fact that the high water put the light and power plant out of commission. Conditions are worse than at any time since the 1889 flood.

It was reported to the office of the State Water Supply Commission this morning that with a temperature of ten degrees in Lock Haven last night the ice in the street has frozen to such an extent that people can step out of their windows and walk on it. There is much suffering from the cold reported.

Near-Zero Weather Sends Householders Scurrying to Coal Dealers For Fuel

A severe cold wave that gripped the city last night and promises to continue for several days, finds Harrisburgers scurrying to coal dealers for fuel. Dealers report that people who during the recent mild weather have managed to get along with an inadequate anthracite coal supply, are rushing the coal offices for hard coal again to-day. The supply of coal on hand is short, and it being sold in the usual quarter and half-ton lots.

Five cars of coal came into the city yesterday and seven cars the day before. Dealers are predicting that the supply of hard received this week. The lowest temperature of the day was 10 degrees above zero. The mercury was in the 20's degrees lower to-night. Forecaster Demain said to-day:

Announcement was made to-day that when the central coal bureau office is established, the coal dealers will still continue to take orders in their own offices for coal, but all orders taken that way will be sent to the central office to be filled within twenty days, a dealer said this morning.

Jewish War Fund Mounts Upward as Teams Close Their Intensive Campaign

This is the last day of the Jewish campaign whereby originally it was hoped to secure \$15,000 for war relief work. The grand total about noon to-day had crept near the \$22,000 mark. Final count of subscriptions will be made to-night at the Rosenberg law offices, and a figure is hoped to be which will surprise the central committee in New York.

It is a remarkable thing that Harrisburg has never "fallen down" in a war campaign. Many other cities of Pennsylvania have and again have failed to "come through" to the extent originally intended, but Harrisburg in two Liberty Loan, two Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. and Knights of Columbus campaigns went through the entanglements in extraordinarily fine shape—and now in the Jewish drive repeats the performance.

Every member of the ten teams of solicitors is on his toes to-day. There are 650 teams in the city. Of these perhaps 300 have been seen by the team members. If it is physically possible the balance will be interviewed before nightfall.

Sues Husband's Parents For \$10,000, Alleging They Alienated His Affections

Alleging her husband's parents are responsible for alienation of his affections, causing him to desert her, Mrs. Florence A. Lawrence to-day through her attorneys filed a suit against Mr. and Mrs. John F. Lawrence, asking for \$10,000 damages.

It is claimed in the statement which has been filed that Mrs. Lawrence was married to Charles X. Lawrence, in August, 1914, but after the wedding his parents by "persuasion, threats, entreaties and intimidation," caused the family troubles which ended about three months ago when the couple separated.

AVIATION PLANT AT MIDDLETOWN DOUBLED IN SIZE

Quartermaster's Depot Plans For Adjacent Site Backed by Commerce Chamber

GO TO NATIONAL CAPITAL

Committee of Harrisburg Businessmen to Wait on U. S. Officials

The government is going right ahead with plans for more than doubling the size of the aviation depot on ground adjoining the present buildings near Middletown. This is separate and distinct from the big quartermaster's depot planned for that locality, for which the War Department some weeks ago leased nearly 400 acres adjacent to the tract on which the aviation warehouses stand. Just how big the additional structures will be has not been announced and when the work will be started is largely a matter of weather conditions.

It came known to-day that Sen. [Continued on Page 2.]

Lutherans Certain of Going "Over the Top" in Drive

Campaign officials conducting the Lutheran drive for \$10,000 were authorized by the statement last night that half the fund had been raised by the various teams. Keen rivalry between the teams has kept them from submitting reports of their efforts, so that exact figures were not available this morning. All teams will make their reports by Saturday.

SLIDING ROCK KILLS FOUR

Sherbrooke, Que., Feb. 21.—A rock sliding down the shaft of the copper mine at Eustis, Quebec, late last night, when twenty miners were coming to the surface in a car, killed four of the men and injured four others, one perhaps fatally.

ADMINISTRATION BILL REVISED

Washington—In accordance with the plan for a compromise on the war reorganization legislation, the administration bill extending President Wilson's authority to co-ordinate government agencies was revised to-day by the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee and will be reported next Monday to the full committee.

R. R. BILL MAY PASS TODAY

Washington—Both houses of Congress worked continuously to-day on the administration bill for federal control of railroads during the war, and, in the Senate passage of the measure before adjournment to-night seemed assured, but not without efforts to amend it.

RED GUARD SHOOTS GENERALS

Petrograd—General Yanoushevitch, former chief of the general staff, was shot on his way to prison by a member of the Red Guard. When told he was being taken to Petrograd the general, according to the guard, endeavored to seize a revolver for the purpose of committing suicide, whereupon the guard shot him.

INDICTED CLOTH FRAUDS

New York—Eight clothing manufacturers, two employees and a clerk in the quartermaster's department of the Army were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury here to-day, charged with being concerned in extensive army uniform cloth frauds.

HELD ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Harrisburg—Raymond Leese was to-day arrested at the Hotel Alva, on a charge of desertion and nonsupport information being brought by his wife who is now living with her grandparents in Middletown. It is claimed that Leese was living at the Hotel Alva, with Lillian Shambaugh, registered as his wife.

LIBERTY BONDS SHOW STRENGTH

New York—Liberty Bonds showed a sudden burst of strength in the stock market to-day. The second 4s advanced 1.10 per cent, and the first 4s 0.64 per cent, during the first hour of trading, bringing them both up to the quotation of 97.20, the first time they have sold on the same basis for months.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Edward W. Messersmith and Charlotte L. Straub, Elizabethville; John C. Chubb, Juniata county, and Grace Y. Arnold, Millersburg; Frank L. Dunn, Thompsonstown, and Anna R. Amey, Richfield; Warren F. Patterson and Mabel Cherry, Harrisburg; Victor P. Coble and Frances M. Laverty, Meachamsville; Raymond H. Snyder and Salome M. Miller, Grants; Ralph E. Flickinger and Jessie F. Smith, Newport.