

RUSSIA ACCEPTS HUN PEACE TO PREVENT FURTHER INVASION

Treaties Between Envoys at Brest-Litovsk of Teuton and Slav Are Finally Signed, Says a Telegram to Vienna; Hard Terms Are Accepted, Delegates Say, to Avoid New Demands by Berlin

Washington, March 4.—The Russians have begun destroying bridges on the Trans-Siberian railroad between Lake Baikal and the Chinese frontier. John F. Stevens, chairman of the American Railway Mission, reported this to-day to the State Department. This may prevent Ambassador Francis from reaching Vladivostok. While without details, officials here believe the Russians are destroying the bridges to prevent an expected advance of Japanese troops. A large number of other structures have been mined, Mr. Stevens also reported, so they could be readily destroyed.

London, March 4.—Supplementary treaties between the Central Powers and the Bolshevik government were signed at Brest-Litovsk in addition to the main peace treaty says a telegram from Brest-Litovsk by way of Vienna and Amsterdam.

Formal official announcement of the signing has not yet been received from the Russian side but a radiogram from Petrograd said the treaty would be signed Sunday.

As the German official statement of Sunday night mentions only the cessation of operations in Great Russia, it is inferred in some quarters here that the German advance in the Ukraine and Finland will continue while the Germans reserve for themselves generally a free hand outside the limits of Great Russia.

Berlin, March 4.—(British Admiralty per Wireless Press) —Military operations in Russia stopped yesterday, says the official statement issued to-day by the German general staff.

Washington, March 4.—Russia's delegates at Brest-Litovsk have halted the German invasion of Great Russia by agreeing to the peace terms offered February 21. The peace was made they report to the Bolshevik government, because every day of delay meant more demands by the Germans. Added provisions require the Russians not only to retire from Turkey's Asiatic provinces, but also from territory in the region of Kars, Batoum and Karabagh, taken from the Turks during past wars.

Berlin also announces the signing of peace terms and the cessation of operations. When the German forward movement halted, the invaders were at Narva, 100 miles west of Petrograd, and approaching Luga, 88 miles southwest. The greater part of the Ukraine has been cleared of the Bolsheviks. Much war material and more than 60,000 prisoners have been captured by the Germans in the Russian campaign.

Germany apparently is determined to give the Bolsheviks but a narrow strip along the Gulf of Finland and at the request of the Finnish government is to undertake the ex-

clusion of the Finnish revolutions and Bolshevik Red Guards from Southern Finland. With Estonia under German control and Finland freed from Bolshevik sway, the Bolsheviks will have less than 200 miles of coastline along the Finnish gulf. German troops already have landed on the Aland Islands at the entrance to the Gulf of Bothnia and will make the islands the base of their operations in support of the Finnish government. Germany has assured Sweden that she has no territorial interest in the Aland Islands.

Petrograd, March 2 (Delayed).—In the fear that argument would increase, the delegates reported, the Russian delegation at Brest-Litovsk has accepted all the German peace conditions and is about to sign an agreement, according to a telegram from the delegates received to-day at the Smolny Institute.

The demands already have been increased, the delegates reported. The message, which was addressed to Premier Lenine and Foreign Minister Trotsky, follows: "As was anticipated, deliberations on a treaty of thirteen men which went out when the raid began and has not been heard of since. The enemy obtained no prisoners from the American trenches.

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Last year the contract was awarded at a bid of \$17.37 a ton, almost half the figure submitted to-day. Commissioner Lynch said he will start repair work as soon as weather conditions permit and the snow and ice is removed from some of the streets on which work will be started first.

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OFFICIAL PHOTOS OF TESTS OF BROWNING GUN BY WAR DEPARTMENT

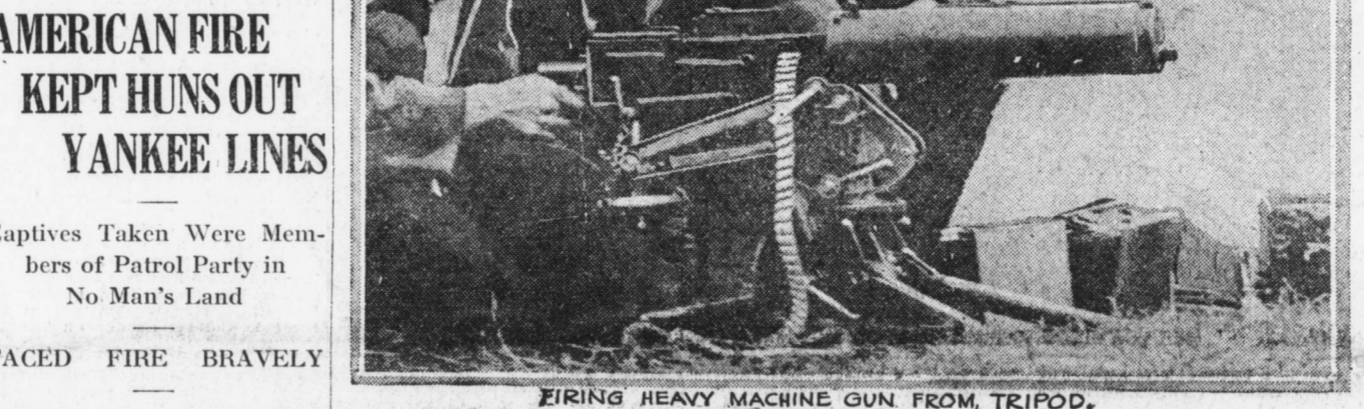


These official photographs show the test of the Browning machine guns at Washington.

In the first at the top and left a private, with his helper behind him to carry ammunition, is firing the gun from the hip. Note the strap over the left shoulder to help him hold the fifteen-pound weapon in place.

At the right at the top is Senator James W. Wadsworth, of New York state, firing the same gun from the shoulder with the strap hanging loose.

The development of the gun is said to have given the U. S. Army the best field piece in the world. In all its tests it has not jammed or ceased firing.



FIRING HEAVY MACHINE GUN FROM TRIPOD.

AMERICAN FIRE KEPT HUNS OUT YANKEE LINES

Captives Taken Were Members of Patrol Party in No Man's Land

FACED FIRE BRAVELY

U. S. Volunteers Advanced in Terrible Rain of Machine Gun Bullets

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STEELTON FACES WATER FAMINE; CITY IS HELPING

Breakdown of Filters Leaves Borough Without Adequate Supply

Steelton to-day is practically without water. It was possible to get water from pipe lines in the level part of the town only. The shortage is caused by trouble at the slow sand filter plant at the borough water works due largely to recent cold weather.

With Harrisburg's assistance relief is in sight by this evening borough officials believe. At noon to-day a large force of firemen were engaged [Continued on Page 9.]

YANKEES RIDDLE WELCOME SIGN WITH BULLETS

German Inscription Greet Americans; It Soon Resembles a Sieve

With the American Army in France, Sunday, March 3.—Some of the American troops in the Chemin-des-Dames sector are having an experience of cave life behind the front trenches, their billets being deep underground quarries and natural recesses beneath the surface.

The result of the inspection of this sector found them thus quartered, occupying positions held by the Germans less than a year ago. Most of the Americans, however, [Continued on Page 4.]

State Street Bridge Is Again Open to Traffic

Cars may run over the State Street Bridge only at the rate of less than eight miles an hour, and heavy trucks are likewise curtailed in speed. Following the discovery of two broken girders in the bridge on Saturday, the bridge was closed for repairs until 2:30 yesterday afternoon.

The result of the inspection of the Pennsylvania Railroad division engineer, who discovered the broken girder, is expected to hasten the construction of the proposed Hill bridge. State officials say the bridge will not be allowed to stand after the state park extension is made.

LABOR TO HEAR BRITISH PLAN OF WINNING WAR

Great Crowd of City's Workers Expected to Attend Patriotic Rally

Men of military age registered for the draft, will have until Friday to appear before their local boards and volunteer for induction into military service in a branch of the service for which their civilian training makes them eligible, according to an order issued to-day. In effect the order opens up for a short time the right to enlist in special branches.

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ALL FLOUR IN CITY TO BE REGISTERED TO STOP HOARDING

Every Ounce of Wheat Held by Housewives to Be Listed Within Week With Food Administrator; Government Not to Commandeer Supply Except in Extreme Necessity; Telegraph to Print Registration Cards

The entire wheat flour supply in Harrisburg households will be registered during this week, according to plans announced by Donald McCormick, local food administrator this morning. The local food administration will have charge of the flour registration in the city.

The registration of all the flour here has been expected for some time, and comes as no surprise to the local food administration. The move was explained by the Telegraph last week, and the telegram authorizing the registration was received by the local food administration this morning.

The registration will begin Wednesday, when the regulation flour card will be printed in this newspaper for the benefit of the housewife. Householders will receive no "flour cards" this notice will be considered official notification, and the form printed for six days, beginning next Wednesday, will be the official "cards" on which the registration will be conducted.

To Tabulate Information The slips bearing the data on the flour supply will be filed at the Dauphin County Food Administration Headquarters, in the Chamber of Commerce Offices, after the information on them is tabulated and [Continued on Page 12.]

Poker Players Caught Coming and Going

Washington, March 4.—Poker profits were hit to-day by the internal revenue bureau's informal ruling that earnings from the game were subject to the income tax, but losses could not be deducted from income in figuring the tax. Thus there is a tax for the winner and no relief for the loser. The ruling was given in answer to a letter of inquiry.

VIOLENT BOMBARDMENT OF BELGIAN LINES

Paris, Sunday, March 3.—The Belgian official statement on military operations issued to-night reads: "In the course of the last two days the artillery activity has been rather intense. On the night of March 1, the Germans made an attack against the Bois Du Trapeze, which was repulsed completely by the fire of our artillery and machine guns. The Germans bombarded our lines violently at some points."

COAL DEALER EXONERATED

Harrisburg—G. Frank Milleisen, local coal dealer, was to-day exonerated by the court on the charge of giving short weight.

JEWISH RABBIS PLAN DRIVE

Harrisburg—Jewish rabbis at a meeting to-day, decided to raise funds for Jewish welfare work among soldiers and for the Rabbinical College. A baptismal pool will also be built.

SPECIAL CALLS FOR ARMY SERVICE

Harrisburg—The State Draft Headquarters to-day issued special calls for men trained in various branches of mechanics, including engines, automobiles, gunsmith, typewriter, etc. Men are also wanted for many other branches requiring technical knowledge.

GERMAN RAIDS CHECKED

Paris—Two German raids made last night on the French lines north of the Chemin des Dames and near Malincourt wood were checked by the fire of the French troops, the war office announced to-day.

ARKANSAS WINS BOUNDARY SUIT

Washington—Arkansas in the Supreme Court to-day, in effect won proceedings to determine the boundary line between that state and Tennessee.

\$25,000,000 ORDNANCE BASE IN FRANCE

Washington—Building a \$25,000,000 ordnance base in France, which will include approximately twenty large storehouses, twelve shopbuildings, one hundred smaller shops and magazines and machine tool equipment, costing about \$5,000,000, was announced to-day by the War Department.

COTTON REACHES NEW HIGH RECORD

New York—The price of cotton for future delivery touched a new high record for the season when it rose approximately \$3 a bale here to-day.

PNEUMONIC PLAGUE SPREADS

Shanghai, China, Thursday—The pneumonic plague has spread to Shantung province from Shansi province, where it has been prevalent. Four deaths have occurred at Tsinanfu, capital of Shantung province.

F. W. WOOLWORTH started by saving five and tens. YOU start to-night by THRIFT STAMPS It's good business.

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity. Generally cloudy to-night and tomorrow, probably rain; warmer to-night with lowest temperature about 38 degrees. For Eastern Pennsylvania (cloudy to-night and Tuesday; warmer Tuesday in east portion; moderate south winds.

General Conditions The barometer is high along the Atlantic coast, with center of maximum pressure over the Middle Atlantic States. An extensive area of low barometric pressure covers nearly all the western half of the country with its center over the Upper Missouri Valley. Light to moderately heavy rains have fallen within the last twenty-four hours in the Lower Ohio, Middle Mississippi and Lower Missouri valleys.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 30. Sun. Rise, 6:20 a. m.; sets, 5:40 p. m. Moon: Rise, 12:01 a. m.; new moon, March 12, 2:22 p. m. River Stage: 0.5 feet above low-water mark.