

NAVY'S WAR TASK MAPPED OUT

American Warships to Combat U-Boat Menace in Western Atlantic

SOUTH AMERICANS PLEASE WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, April 13.—America's share in combatting the submarine menace has been definitely mapped out.

The conferences that have been held by British and French naval commanders and officials of the American navy department have settled what part Uncle Sam's navy is to play in keeping sea lanes open. The plans are now understood to be entirely complete.

The American navy, it is known, will take over the task of keeping this side of the Atlantic free of the submarine menace. The British and French navies have maintained a large guard of warships on this side of the ocean ever since the outbreak of the war. All these vessels will be released for duty elsewhere by America's entrance into the war.

SEVERAL PROMINENT INDIANA RESIDENTS HAVE PASSED AWAY

Many prominent Indiana county people have been called by death during the past week. Among them were:

Mrs. Tirza Jamison, aged 36 years, wife of Clark Jamison, found dead at her home in Washington township, by her husband, Friday.

John R. Stewart, aged 79 years, Civil war veteran and prominent resident of Plumville, who died at his home Sunday morning, following a brief illness with erysipelas.

Frank Loring, aged 60 years, died at his home near Dayton, Friday.

George W. Weamer, aged 75 years, a well-known resident of Homer City, died Tuesday after a brief illness of pneumonia. He leaves a widow and infant son, born since the father became ill two weeks ago.

David Wiggins, aged 52 years, died at his home on South 13th street, Tuesday.

Henry Ray, aged 70 years, died at his home in Grandview, Tuesday.

Mrs. Margaret Overdorff, wife of Clair Overdorff, died at her residence in Homer City, on Thursday.

Michael Fera, aged 63 years, of Rossiter, died Monday.

GERMAN SPY ARRESTED IN BLAIRSVILLE.

Reports reached here Monday afternoon of the arrest of a suspect at Salina tunnel along the Conemaugh division. The man was arrested by guards along the railroad at that point. It is said that the man dressed as a tramp and when he was approached by the guards, that he started to act like a maniac. He first gave his name as McGalloway, but later he admitted that he was a native of Hamburg, Germany. Railroad maps showing various tunnels and bridge locations were found in his pockets. The mysterious man was turned over to the railroad officers at Blairsville and later taken to Altoona.

ARMY ALSO PREPARING

The war department is not far behind the navy in mapping out its plans for placing the country in the best possible state of defense and, at the same time, preparing to carry on a vigorous offensive war. Officials are confident that the announcement from the war department that men now enlisting will be released if they so desire, at the end of the war, will bring a great influx of recruits. It is believed that many young men have hung back, fearing to get "tied up" with a long enlistment.

Now, however, the Nation is put on a war basis and the volunteer system is on trial for its life. If the recruiting is not greatly stimulated within the next few days, conscription will come. Officials state this determinedly. Secretary Baker stated the administration's view when he was before the House military affairs committee in support of the universal training bill.

We stand firmly and unalterably in support of that bill, without modification in its least detail," he said.

The progress of German-South American relations are being watched closely. Brazil's declaration of war against the Hohenzollerns cannot long be delayed. Argentine showed by her communication to the state department regarding the German-American war that she was in accord with the principles which led the United States to take up the sword.

The internal situation was causing the officials apprehension today. The Eddystone and Franford explosions and the revelation of plots to blow up many public buildings has aroused strong agitation in some quarters. Guardsmen who are now protecting public buildings and works are working under handicaps.

Notables at Washington.

Included in the board of British and French officials here are Vice Admiral M. E. Browning and Commodore Guy Gaunt of the British navy and Rear Admiral R. A. Brasnet of the French navy, together with their staffs.

UNFURL THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER, EMBLEM OF FREEDOM AND JUSTICE!



When Freedom from her mountain height unfurled her standard to the air,
She tore the azure robe of night, and set the stars of glory there!

Italians Organizing To Fight Under the Stars and Stripes

NEWARK, N. J.—Four hundred veterans of the Italian Army have been organized here, for American defense by Commander Edoado Ferrari Fontana, a tenor of the Metropolitan Grand Opera Company. Most of Fontana's associates are clad in their uniforms of the Bersaglieri. Their offer of service is said to have been accepted by President Wilson.

PRISONER IN COUNTY JAIL HANGED HIMSELF WITH STRAP

Steve Lucas, foreign resident of Ernest, committed suicide in his cell in the county jail yesterday morning about 11 o'clock, his lifeless body being found when he was taken his meal at noon. The prisoner had tied his belt to the lattice work of his cell about three feet from the

floor, forming a noose and hanged himself. The jail physician, Dr. John M. St. Clair was immediately called and pronounced the man dead. He was removed to a local undertaking establishment. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

REPORT GERMAN SUBMARINE IS IN PACIFIC WATERS

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Naval officials declined today to discuss the reported presence of German submarines in the Pacific. It is stated that all possible precautions have been taken to meet this evil. It is expected that American warships will cooperate with the Japanese in the Pacific along lines similar to those now in operation in the Atlantic.

In connection with police duty of American ships, officials are trying to work out a method of procedure for the United States in handling its commerce with European neutrals in such a way that Germany will not benefit. There is strong opposition to the establishment of a sweeping censorship, which will include all mails, as well as to the limiting to a greater extent than prevails at present of exports to Holland, Sweden, Norway and Denmark. An inter-departmental board, made up of representatives of the State, Treasury and Justice Departments, is working on this problem.

U. S. OFFICER ASKS SUNDAY TO JOIN ARMY

NEW YORK, April 18.—Captain Patton, United States army, in charge of the local headquarters, sent a letter today to Billy Sunday, asking the evangelist to enlist.

"On Tuesday we enlisted an Episcopal minister," Captain Patton wrote, "so you see we are playing no favorites. We would be pleased to have you personally join. The men at the front need a spiritual leader as well as officers. Can we count on you to direct the men where to enlist?"

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining uncalled for in the Indiana office April 7, 1917:

Mr. Kris P. Bemis, Rev. H. H. Flick, Mr. Joseph M. Cinahon, Miss Gussie Lydick, Mr. Jim Lydick, Mr. Pit Rudie, Miss Sophia Pipher, Mrs. B. F. Mattingby, Mr. Joe Mele, G. R. Wyncoop, Sabanacz Milan Mitchell.

When inquiring for letters in this list please state that they were advertised, giving date.

HARRY W. FEE, P. M.

CLOSE "TAB" KEPT ON GEN. CARRANZA

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Officials declared today that any attempt on the part of the Carranza government in Mexico to place an embargo on oil will be strongly resented by the United States. It has been known here for several months that the German agents have been working to influence Gen. Carranza to issue a proclamation, placing an embargo on the exportation of oil from the Tampico and Tuxpam fields. Practically all of the oil sent from these localities is utilized by the British and French navies in keeping their vessels in operation. An embargo on them would be a body blow to the movements of their combined fleets.

Ambassador Fletcher, at Mexico City, has been keeping a very close watch on the operations of the German agents who surround Carranza. Every movement has been reported to the State Department.

The State Department is silent as to whether it has made definite representations to Carranza on the subject. A number of important communications of Mrs. Fletcher have reached here during the last few days, but none of them has yet been made public.

PRESIDENT FIRM IN PLAN TO DRAFT MEN INTO ARMY

WASHINGTON, April 13.—"We cannot win this war without an army," was the determination reached by the administration tonight as President Wilson prepared for a vigorous aggressive fight to force the war department "selective draft" plan through Congress.

The decision to concentrate all of the administration influence behind the conscription bill now before the house was reached at a conference between President Wilson and Secretary of War Baker. Both had visited the capitol during the day and had tested the sentiment of the House where formidable opposition to the conscription plan threatens serious delay in the enactment of the army legislation demanded by the President.

INDIANA COUNTY ORGANIZED RED CROSS SOCIETY

The movement for the formation of a Chapter of the American Red Cross in Indiana, which will embrace the entire county has met with loyal and hearty response from almost every person who is at all familiar with its objects.

It should represent all elements including business, professional and other men of large affairs. The Red Cross is not a women's organization, nor a physician's, nor a nurse's, as it is sometimes believed, although all these are useful and have a large place in its activities.

Its work is sufficiently important, varied and extensive to demand the voluntary service of the ablest men and women of the entire country.

In the present prospect of our nation's need as well as that of our allies, it is the duty of every person in our country, no matter what his station, to give his or her best efforts in the furtherance of this most commendable movement.

The field of activity of the Red Cross includes: making hospital garments, or surgical dressing, organizing classes of instruction in First Aid, in Elementary Hygiene and Home care of the sick or in Home Dietics, securing members, raising funds and collecting supplies.

At an early date a mass meeting will be held, when it is hoped all who can do so will arrange to be present and lend the necessary assistance to the formation of a successful Chapter.

In the meantime let every person urge their friends to be present and take an active interest in this great work which will be so badly needed in the very near future.

B., R. & P. DISTRIBUTES U. S. EMBLEM

The passenger department of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry is distributing to employees and patrons a buttonhole flag, and a sufficient number of large flags have been purchased by the company to make possible a display at every important point along the company's lines.

The publication date of the May issue of the *Employes Magazine* published by the B., R. & P. Ry., has been moved ahead several weeks and a patriotic number is now on the press.

Pen Sketch by Marcucci



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