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AMERICA HAS OVER MILLION AND HALF TROOPS IN TRAINING... WOMAN SUFFRAGE IS ENDORSED BY AMERICAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

500,000 MEN NOW ENROLLED IN ARMY OF U. S.

Force of Substantial Size in France on Active Service.

BAKER ON THE STAND American War Secretary Faces Probe Into Policy of Department.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Every phase of the war department's preparations for battle against Germany was outlined and defended by Secretary Baker today before the senate military committee.

Members of the committee were frank in their disapproval of the secret purchasing system of the department. They did not shake Mr. Baker's support of it, however. He insisted that it was essential to guard against publicity concerning plants engaged on war work.

ONLY LOCAL OPERATIONS AND ARTILLERY DUELS

Rome Official Statement Says There Have Been No More Active Activities on Italian Front.

Rome, Jan. 10.—The official communication from general headquarters today says: "The artillery struggle generally is not intense, but became more violent at intervals east of the Brenta. Reconnaissance parties captured prisoners west of Cao di Sotto and provoked a long reactionary fire by the enemy. At Grave di Papadopoli hostile working and armed parties were dispersed.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE CARRIES IN UNITED STATES CONGRESS

Lower House Accepts Resolution By Federal Constitutional Amendment By Exactly Right Number of Votes—Fight in Senate.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The resolution for submission to the states of a woman suffrage amendment to the federal constitution was passed tonight by the house. It now goes to the senate.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Woman suffrage by federal constitutional amendment won in the lower house to-night with exactly the required number of affirmative votes. While members in their seats and throngs in the galleries waited with eager interest, the house adopted by a vote of 274 to 136 a resolution providing for submission to the states of the so-called Susan B. Anthony amendment for national enfranchisement of women.

But for the promise of Speaker Clark to cast his vote for the chair for the resolution, if it was needed, the change of a single vote to the opposition would have meant defeat.

EXEMPTIONS SHOULD BE ABOLISHED

In this war nobody, anywhere, is entitled to exemption. We all have to do our bit, and as Major Bishop said yesterday, nobody has done his bit until the war is over. We are coming to see a lot of problems in an entirely new way when we look thru the smoked glasses of the war.

The question of the exemption of various real estate properties from taxation has not yet been properly considered from this angle. An increase of the revenue from taxation is unavoidable, and when the citizens have to pay more it is a reasonable question to ask why those who now pay nothing should not pay something.

Government Control to End Coal Famine American Administrative Direction of Railways Definitely Assures Stopping of All Acute Fuel Shortage in the United States.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The railroad situation has improved under government operation sufficiently to guarantee that there will be no further coal famine in any part of the country this winter, Director-General McAdoo was informed today by A. H. Smith, assistant in charge of transportation on eastern lines.

Local shortages will be inevitable under existing abnormal conditions, Mr. Smith said, but indications are that no important industries will be forced to shut down because of lack of fuel, the householders will be supplied reasonably well. He added that this applied to New York and New England, where the coal shortage has been most marked in the east.

Submarine Cruisers Commit Depredations Germans Begin Employment of Large U-Boats—Small Ones Lay Mines.

London, Jan. 10.—The submarine warfare has gradually taken on a new phase since the wintry weather set in. Submarines of the so-called cruiser type are now doing most of the sinkings, while the smaller submarines apparently are continuing their work largely to mine-laying.

COLLAPSE OF GERMANY DEEMED INEVITABLE Dutch Newspaper Sees Many Signs of Coming Doom.

Amsterdam, Jan. 10.—Germany was never in such danger of collapse from internal and external difficulties as at present, says the correspondent in German newspaper 'De Tijd' in an analysis of the existing situation.

MUST CRUSH FOE TO REALIZE AIMS

Allies Can Gain None of Objects With Power Like Germany.

ENEMY UNCHANGED

Mr. Balfour Points Out Evils of Peace With Kaiser.

London, Jan. 10.—Addressing a war aims meeting at Edinburgh tonight, Arthur J. Balfour, secretary for foreign affairs, referring to President Wilson's "magnificent announcement," said:

"The United States have now for the first time in their history entered the greatest struggle against barbarism, of freedom against tyranny. I do not think that the new views of co-operation in the new world could have been introduced in a nobler manner than they have been introduced in the public announcements of President Wilson. I think that the day that America entered the war was one of the most important in the annals of mankind.

Second Payments on Victory Bonds Are Due at Banks Today This is the last day for making the second payment on Victory Bonds. The government lengthened the time from the first to the eleventh of the month in order that the banks might have the rush spread over a longer period.

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COULD END PRESENT WAR QUICKLY WITH BIG FLEET OF U. S. AIRPLANES New York, Jan. 10.—Prediction that "there would not be much left of the war" if the United States could send three or four types of airplanes into one attack over the enemy lines was made in an address here today by Lieut.-Col. F. E. Clark, head of the Army Aviation Engineers' Division, before the convention of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

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DINEEN'S MEN'S FURS. All Dineen's exceptionally fine furs for men are included in the stock leveling sale that makes way for the February stock-taking. Fur-lined and driving coats, chauffeurs' coats and caps. Special reductions in prices. Dineen's, 149 Yonge street.

C. P. R. EARNINGS INCREASE. Montreal, Jan. 10.—Canadian Pacific Railway traffic earnings for the first week of January show an increase of \$105,000, compared with the same period a year ago.

STOCKHOLM DEMANDED FOR PEACE DISCUSSION

Trotsky, Bolshevik Minister, Still Insists on Transference of Peace Conference, According to London—Germans Report Contrary.

London, Jan. 10.—Unofficial reports received here concerning the first session of the peace conference at Brest-Litovsk, which was resumed Tuesday with Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, at the head of the Russian delegates, say that Trotsky "in a speech insisted on a removal of the conference to Stockholm. Trotsky declared that the Russian came to Brest-Litovsk not as the representative of a conquered country and did not intend to ask for pity, but would continue to act as true revolutionists. He is reported to have told the German and Austrian delegates that if they did not accede to his request they would feel the weight of the voice of the democracies of the central powers and the weight of arms of the Russian democracy.

The Evening Post asserts that the Germans replied that they did not decline to carry on the peace negotiations, but that they failed to specify where.

BIG NUMBER EXEMPTED BY LOCAL TRIBUNALS

Seven-Tenths of Registration Under Military Service Act Secure Total or Partial Exemptions—Many Appeals Pending.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—A statement showing results of the operation of the Military Service Act to the first week in January was given out tonight by the director of public instruction. The figures show that in the nine provinces and the Yukon there was a total registration of 404,385. Total claims for exemptions numbered 380,810; claims for exemption allowed by local tribunals, 278,778; claims for exemption disallowed by local tribunals, 47,838; claims for exemption not dealt with by local tribunals, 54,204.

Claims for exemption disallowed by local tribunals: Ontario, 19,148; Quebec, 22,421; Nova Scotia, 4,899; New Brunswick, 2,924; Prince Edward Island, 1,382; Manitoba, 1,396; Saskatchewan, 1,282; Alberta, 2,416; British Columbia, 1,471; Yukon, 1,278.

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U. S. WILL SHIP GRAIN TO FEED ALLIED PEOPLE

Washington Government to Undertake to Export Ninety Million Bushels.

TO CUT CONSUMPTION

Americans Face Serious Flour Shortage by Next May.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Ship losses and crop failures abroad have brought about such a serious food situation in the allied countries that the United States is planning to release for export an additional 90,000,000 bushels of wheat, although the country's export surplus had been shipped by mid-December.

The American people will be asked by the food administration to cut their consumption to make up the amount to be exported. Unless they do the nation is threatened with a flour shortage in May before the new wheat crop is harvested in June.

The food administration is considering legislation to make the saving of wheat compulsory and has approved a bill drawn by Rep. Leavelle, author of the food control bill to enforce wheatless days. Proposals for mixed flours and for a form of war bread of mixed grains also are under consideration as possible measures to reduce the use of wheat flour.

THREE RAIDS BY BRITISH NEAR YPRES SUCCESSFUL Many Casualties Inflicted on Enemy and Prisoners and Machine Guns Captured.

London, Jan. 10.—The official report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters in France tonight says: "Early this morning we successfully raided at three different points the enemy's trenches southeast of Ypres, inflicting many casualties and capturing a large number of prisoners and machine guns.

VERY LOW TEMPERATURES Mercury Drops to 70 Below Zero in Northern Sweden.

Stockholm, Jan. 10.—Unprecedented temperatures for Sweden are reported at various places in the north. Some of the lowest figures are 70.6 degrees below zero, Fahrenheit, at Azle, 67 below at Soerfors and 63.4 below at Hogdalsjoe. The last mentioned temperature is also reported from Umea. Temperatures from 40 to 58 below zero, Fahrenheit, are reported throughout Angermann Land.

WANTS SHIPMENTS OF COAL U.S. TO CANADA CURTAILED

New York State Fuel Administrator Claims There is Discrimination Against Americans, in Favor of People of Dominion.

New York, Jan. 10.—While New York is facing a fuel famine which threatens to close not only the theatres, cabarets and restaurants, but munitions factories as well, shipments of anthracite coal to Canada are being made in amounts equivalent to last year's tonnage was a percentage for increased production, according to a telegram sent tonight to Federal Fuel Administrator Garfield by A. H. Wiggin, administrator for New York State.

"We are not informed that the situation in Canada is as desperate as it is here," said Mr. Wiggin's message. "While we have great sympathy with our Canadian neighbors, we do not think New York should be discriminated against. If shipments to Canada could be curtailed it would greatly relieve the situation here." Rovee Schley, New York County administrator, said that two hospitals in the city had only 12 hours' supply on hand and that at six o'clock tonight the New York Life Building had only a three hours' supply.