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EARLY MESSAGES

WAR REVIEW.

S. military forces have suffered their first heavy loss from operations against the enemy submarines. The British submarine Tuscana with 2,179 United States troops has been torpedoed and sunk in the war zone. Eleven hundred survivors were landed at Irish shores. It was feared by officials of the Government in Washington that approximately 1,000 men had been killed. Complex internal politics affected the great war have been added by the expression of sympathy for Mexico for Germany. President Carranza sent the Emperor's message of congratulation and wishes on the occasion of the Emperor's 57th birthday, which occurred on Jan. 27th. According to an official report from Copenhagen as given by Reuters from Copenhagen as well as the friendly congratulations from Mexico by a neutral government toward the enemy of the Emperor George V. In his speech before Parliament Wednesday, the determination of the world to continue the war against the quadruple alliance is a just and lasting peace will be obtained. The Germans on the front are not yet numerically superior to the French and British forces, according to Major-General Frederick B. Maurice, Chief of the military operations, at the War office. Notwithstanding the continued movement of German troops during the last week in the opinion of General Smuts the situation there at the front is not one to cause anxiety to the military leaders. Artillery activity continues on the British, Italian and American fronts, and from this, operations have been confined to patrol and aerial attacks. The French war office announced the destruction of fourteen German aeroplanes during Feb. 3rd, 4th and 5th. The British war office report bringing down five German aeroplanes and one balloon shot down Tuesday. The Entente fleet sank by mine or submarine during last week were 15 British, three French and one Italian. In Finland the White Guard or Government troops have won an important victory over the revolutionary Red Guard troops. The taking of Ulesaborg on the Gulf of Finland. This city was the chief depot for the Russians in the Baltic. Its military observers, means that the whole of Northern Finland soon will be in possession of the Government troops.

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THE GERMAN COLONIES.

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WATERFRONT FIRE.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Feb. 6.—The wharf and warehouses of the Central Hudson Steamboat Co., and J. W. Matthews & Co. wholesale grocery warehouse on the waterfront, at Newburgh, were destroyed, and several other nearby warehouses were partially burned to-day in a fire supposed to have started from an overheated furnace in the steamboat warehouse. The loss was said to exceed \$500,000.

WITHOUT FUEL.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Twenty-two Massachusetts cities and towns were entirely without heat to-day. Reports to the Fuel Administration indicated that in many cases supply of soft coal now being distributed to homes would soon also be exhausted.

REPLIES TO GREETINGS.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 6.—Replying to the birthday greetings sent by the President of the Upper House of the Prussian Diet, Emperor William sent the following by telegraph: "The intimate union of the Crown and people which I received as a sacred heritage from my fathers, dates from the hard times by which

Prussia was trained for its world history mission. May these hard years of strenuousness, which I feel more deeply in consequence of the responsibility placed upon me by God, strengthen and deepen this intimate relationship so it may stand the tests in battle which still lie before us and in the great tasks which, after a victorious peace, we shall have to fulfill in an altered world."

REBELS DEFEATED IN FINLAND.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 6.—General Mannerheim's forces have defeated the Red Guards and Russians at Ulesaborg and captured the city which is the chief military depot of northern Finland. The battle lasted two days and several hundred were killed during the fighting.

RUSSIA PROTESTS.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 6.—The Bolshevik authorities have instructed Maxim Litvinoff, their representative in London, to protest to the British Foreign Office against the drafting of Russians into the British Army. Replying to the protest of the Bolshevik Government against the action taken by China at Harbin, Manchuria, the Chinese Legation here advised the Smolny Institute that China didn't seize Harbin, as had been reported, because Harbin has always been a Chinese city, and China was now merely carrying out her treaty obligations by policing the Russian railway zone, keeping order and protecting railway employees, railway property, and passengers of all nationalities against injury.

CARRANZA CONGRATULATES THE EMPEROR.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Reuters's Ld. learns that according to a telegram from Copenhagen, President Carranza, of Mexico, sent a telegram to Emperor William on the latter's birthday, reading as follows: "Your Majesty, who celebrates his anniversary to-day with just cause for rejoicing, I have the honor to send to your Majesty my most cordial congratulations and am pleased to express to you my best wishes for your personal happiness and that of your august family, as well as for the prosperity of this great and friendly nation."

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BARON MORRIS ADDRESSES ADYVICH CLUB.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—(Via Reuters's Ottawa Agency.)—Ex-Premier Morris, of Newfoundland, addressing the Adywich Club upon the possibilities of Newfoundland's fish industry, said that before the war their lobsters were all sold to Germany, where they were canned and exported to England, if not back to Newfoundland. The salmon fishery was capable of huge development, and it was possible to establish herring fisheries as valuable as cod. Certain fish were very appetizing, and were so abundant that one could hardly row through them. These were actually used as fertilizers. Moreover, he said that the waste of the ocean's resources was almost criminal, and it was a stigma on the statesmen of the last half century that this harvest had been neglected.

LIGHTSHIP ADRIFT.

NANTUCKET, Feb. 6.—Ships at sea were requested to-day to watch sharply for the Cross Rip Lightship, which broke away from its anchorage in Vineyard Sound, Friday, and was last reported helpless and adrift far from its station. The first report to the lighthouse service stated that ten men were aboard, but after checking up to-day it was said that there were not more than six or seven in the crew.

MORATORIUM FOR FIGHTERS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Rights Bill, providing a moratorium for men in military establishments, was unanimously passed to-day by the Senate virtually in the form it passed the House of Representatives.

CHANGES IN U. S. WAR STAFF.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Secretary of War Baker announced to-day that Major General Peyton C. March, now Chief of Artillery, with General Pershing, will return to the United States to become Chief of Staff. General Bliss, Chief of Staff, in France, as American representative on the Supreme War Council, will continue on furlough for the present. Major General John Biddle, Asst. Chief of Staff, now acting Chief of Staff, will remain as assistant temporarily, but later will be assigned to duty in France. General Pershing will select a new Artillery Chief to succeed March.

NEXT TWO MONTHS CRITICAL ONES.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Lord Rhondda, Food Controller, met more than one hundred members of the Commons in committee last night and gave confidential information on the food situation and existing stocks in the country, and discussed with them the question of extending compulsory rationing to the whole country. The proceedings were secret. An official report which was issued says that Lord Rhondda expressed the view that the food situation would be in its most difficult stage during the coming two months, and asked members to give him all possible help.

NEGOTIATIONS OFF.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The negotiations at Brest-Litovsk have been broken off, the correspondent at Petrograd of the Exchange Telegraphs Company says he is informed.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The following is to-day's official report: Raids attempted by the enemy during the night in the neighborhood of Mericourt and Avien in each case were successfully repulsed. We captured a few prisoners. Except for some artillery activity on both sides in the neighborhood of Hargincourt and south of Lens, there is nothing further to report.

THE FINNISH SITUATION.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 6.—General Kaerlaug, head of the White Guard Camp in Finland, is reported to be gathering a new force and planning to capture Helsinki, which is held by the Red Guard. The White Guard is dismantling Russian warships in northern Finnish ports.

A CONCERT WILL BE HELD IN WESLEY CHURCH BASEMENT THURSDAY, FEB. 7TH, COMMENCING AT 8 P.M.

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headquarters ordered all owners of factories to open the mobilization envelopes in their possession. A circular dated Nov. 2nd, 1914, informs the military agents on the frontiers of Russia, France, Italy and Norway, that unlimited credits have been opened at German banks in Sweden, Norway, Switzerland, China and the United States, which the general headquarters authorizes them to use for the purpose of destroying factories belonging to the enemy, provoking strikes, damaging ships, turning supplies and destroying electricity centres. Special agents were being placed at their disposal, it was added, to bring about explosions and fires.

FOOLING THE PEOPLE.

GENEVA, Feb. 6.—The declaration by the United States Secretary of War Baker, that there would be half a million American soldiers in France early this year, has been distorted by the German newspapers. The Muenchener Nachrichten cut off a cipher and made the number 50,000. The Koelnische Volks Zeitung says the number will be only several divisions.

CUTTING OUT BOLSHEVIK.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 6.—M. Molubowicz, chairman of the Ukrainian peace delegation, has been appointed Premier of the Ukraine. The Berlin Vistochka Zeitung says the troops of the Rada have occupied Kharkov and that the Ministry of Molubowicz contains no Bolsheviks.

KEEPING INFORMATION SECRET.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Replying to former Premier Asquith in the House of Commons yesterday, Bonar Law said that in view of the important military considerations involved, it was not considered possible at present, without giving valuable information to the enemy, to publish further details or information regarding the enlargement of the functions of the Supreme War Council decided upon at the Versailles conference.

NATION-WIDE STRIKE THREAT-ENED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—A nation-wide strike of telegraphers employed by the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies is threatened if there is any opposition by the companies to the open organization by the men of the commercial telegraphers' union of America.

NORWAY WILL REMAIN NEUTRAL.

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Feb. 6.—The reply to the proposals from the American War Trade Board regarding supplies from the United States to Norway, published to-day, emphasized the firm resolve of the Norwegian Government and people to remain neutral.

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