

HAMPERED BY INSUFFICIENT STAFF--SIMS

Given Only One Officer Over Period of Months, Admiral Charges — Nears End of Long Testimony.

CIVILIANS WERE USED

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Nearing the end of his long statement to the senate investigating committee Rear Admiral Sims today elaborated his charges that the inadequacy of his staff abroad prevented for several months maximum efficiency in the United States' naval participation in the war.

He testified that he was unable to bring the navy department to a realization of the importance of his post, and the necessity for providing a large staff at the outset, to compile and digest allied naval information and direct the early details of American cooperation on the seas.

Admiral Sims said he arrived in London in April, 1917, with but one aid, and immediately realizing the magnitude of the task confronting him, cabled the department requesting that three additional assistants be sent him at once.

Placed in Destroyer Charge
Before he received any reply, he was placed also in command of the destroyer force abroad, and thereupon asked for three more officers, including a chief of staff, expecting that the request would be granted without question.

The last of April one officer arrived and was assigned to the destroyer base at Queenstown, Admiral Sims said, but no word came from the department regarding his reiterated requests for at least six assistants.

Throughout June he remained in ignorance of the department's plans and received no further aid, the officer said. An American civilian who had resigned from the navy in 1914 to enter in business in London volunteered to assist him, the admiral said, and this man with his one aid comprised his entire London staff.

Couldn't Even Decode Messages
"My staff was then wholly inadequate even to code and decode messages to and from the department," he commented, "much less attempt to compile vitally necessary information."

In June, a medical officer was ordered to his staff, the admiral said, and about the same time Secretary Daniels cabled him authority to employ clerical assistance and to spend any sums needed for the discharge of his duties, but nothing was done regarding the officers he had asked sent to assist him in his technical duties.

In repeated messages, Admiral Sims said he requested that a special officer be detailed to assist him in his technical duties, but never received an answer. Finally he detached the captain from a destroyer and assigned him to this duty.

Two Small Rooms Allocated
"We had reached the limit of physical endurance," Admiral Sims said. "We were established in two small rooms at the embassy and dispatches were pouring in on us every day. I only wish that I were capable of describing the conditions in my office at this time."

On July 7, Captain N. C. Twining was detailed to be his chief of staff, the admiral said. "Continual differences with the department were demonstrating the need of closer liaison between his office and Washington, the admiral said, due to his inability to send and reply to letters and cablegrams.

Throughout July he continually warned the department that the troops were being endangered by lack of proper assistance abroad, the admiral said and protested against the department's inclination to send him young and inexperienced officers, and keep the older ones in home waters.

Farmers to Hold Meeting for County Agent Plans
No definite plans have as yet been made by E. F. Murphy, newly appointed county agricultural agent, he said Wednesday.

"I do not wish to make any plans for the county agent work until I meet with the members of the Wayne County Farmers' federation," said Murphy, "and get their views. Then I will be able to line up my own work."

"We will hold a meeting soon to find out some of the things the farmers want me, as county agent, to do. In other words I intend to accomplish what the farmers want me to accomplish."

A meeting of the farmers will probably be held at the courthouse within the next few days.

SHIP TO BE CHRISTENED FROM LINCOLN WELL
(By Associated Press)
BLOOMINGTON, Ill., May 17.—Water from a well from which Abraham Lincoln many times slaked his thirst, will be used to christen the ship "Evergreen City" at Bristol, Pa., next Saturday. Miss Margaret Fenton, chosen by popular ballot as the official representative of Bloomington at the launching will take with her a bottle of the water to break against the hull as the vessel starts down the ways.

GOLD STRUCK NEAR WARSAW, IS REPORT
(By Associated Press)
WARSAW, March 16.—Reports that gold has been struck near the village of Miechow in the Cracow region, have reached this city and quite a great deal of excitement has been caused by the announcement. Dispatches from an American Red Cross unit in that section confirm earlier rumors of the gold strike.

Ex-Kaiser's Son, Who May Be in Plot



Prince and Princess Eitel Friedrich.

Prince Eitel Friedrich, who is quoted by a Paris newspaper as being slated for the German throne by the new revolutionary party, is the second son of the former emperor, having been born in July, 1883, at Potsdam, one year after the former crown prince, his brother. He has been mentioned on numerous occasions by the reactionaries as their candidate should the Hohenzollerns be reelected.

QUOTAS GIVEN TO QUARTERLY BODIES

John H. Johnson, financial director for the Friends Forward Movement in Indiana Yearly Meeting, and Herman O. Miles, national financial director, made public Wednesday the coming distribution of the \$217,397.20 quota allotted to Indiana Yearly Meeting, by the Interchurch World Movement through the Forward Movement.

The 16 quarterly meetings in Indiana Yearly Meeting will base their financial campaigns on the following quotas:

Whitewater Quarterly Meeting, \$24,656.50; Dublin, \$12,062; West Branch, \$5,712.80; Eastern, \$3,137.60; Winchester, \$40,581.60; Fairmount, \$26,884.40; Marion, \$15,436.40; New Garden, \$7,740.40; Penn., \$2,323.60; Portland, \$10,034.40; Puget Sound, \$5,091.20; Spiceland, \$26,122; Traverse City, \$2,678.80; Van Wert, \$6,956; Wabash, \$11,499.60; Walnut Ridge, \$16,679.60.

ALLIED TROOPS ARE IN CONSTANTINOPLE

(By Associated Press)
CONSTANTINOPLE, March 17.—Allied troops have occupied this city and the great guns of the British dreadnaught Nemow and other great allied warships, moored to quays or anchored in the Golden Horn, command both sides of the Bosphorus. Every ship is cleared for action.

The actual arrival of allied forces caused little alarm, nor were there any signs of panic except in Istanbul. Shopkeepers near the war office there closed their places of business when it was heard the allies were coming, but the troops inspired confidence and the stores were soon reopened.

All the allied powers participated in the movement, being under orders from the British commander in chief here the Italian contingent including detachments having moslems on their rosters. Four thousand bluejackets and marines were landed by British warships.

Dividend Decision Means Only Small Loss to U. S.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—The total loss to the government as a result of the supreme court's decision that tax dividends are not taxable, will not exceed \$25,000,000 in the opinion of most treasury officials.

Weather Forecast

For Indiana—By the United States weather bureau. Fair tonight; Thursday partly cloudy.

Yesterday
Maximum 48
Minimum 38

Noon
For Wayne County, by W. E. Moore.

—Fair and continued moderately cold tonight; several degrees below freezing; Thursday increasing cloudiness.

General Conditions—The weather has now cleared over the Central States with a general fall in temperature of from 15 to 25 degrees. A storm of great size covers the far west and severe cold weather, for the season has moved southward from Alaska and is now centering over Saskatchewan and the northern border states west of the lakes. The maximum temperature at Battleford, Sask., is 10 degrees below zero and the minimum is also 10 below, and it is from 10 to 26 below in Alaska. The western storm will probably arrive by Friday or Saturday with rain over the southern and Central states and snow over the north. A severe blizzard is raging in North Dakota, the worst since 1888.

FIVE DEATHS, TOLL OF S. D. BLIZZARD

(By Associated Press)
BISMARCK, S. D., March 17.—Five known dead and thousands of dollars damage to property was the toll of the two-day blizzard which swept this state—the worst in more than 30 years. The storm early today was reported to be gradually subsiding with temperatures sinking.

One girl gave her life to save her sister and brother while the heroic effort of another young proved futile and he and his three brothers perished on the prairies during the storm.

Girl Dies for Children.
When their sleigh was wrecked near Center by the wind, Hazel Miner, aged 18, took off her coat and wrapped it and blankets around her small brother and sister. For 24 hours they lay in the snowdrifts before they were found by searching parties. Hazel was dead but her action in bundling up the little ones saved their lives.

Adolph Wohika, son of Gust Wohika, a farmer living near Ryder, made a gallant attempt to bring assistance to his three brothers, when the team of horses he was driving home died from exhaustion.

After making his three brothers as comfortable as possible, he set out for help. Twenty-four hours later, his father found him and the other three brothers, frozen in deep snow drifts.

STABILIZATION OF COAL TRADE SOUGHT

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Legislation designed to stabilize coal production and transportation was introduced today by Senator Frelinghuysen, Republican of New Jersey, who said the advisability of its enactment had become apparent from investigation of the coal situation by the subcommittee of which he is chairman.

Senator Frelinghuysen's bill, which was referred to the senate interstate commerce committee hearings, would terminate government control of the industry as now exercised under the Lever act.

Coal would be transported in spring and summer at rates 15 per cent below and in winter and fall at 15 per cent above existing tariffs. Appointment of a federal coal commissioner would be provided with authority to investigate the coal situation and to regulate storage.

In presenting the bill, the New Jersey senator charged Director General Hines of the railroad administration with having used "ruthless and illegal" methods in handling the coal situation and with assumption of powers which he was not given in the transfer of fuel administration authority to his office.

Grounded Submarine Fast; Bodies are Still in Hold

(By Associated Press)
SAN DIEGO, Calif., March 17.—Repeated attempts to tow to deeper water the submarine H-1, which grounded Saturday off Redondo point, Magdalena bay, with the loss of four lives, have failed through snapping of the lines, according to radio messages from commander McCrary of the destroyer Sinclair.

Stormy weather is interfering seriously with the work, he reported. Navy officers here expressed fear that the season soon would drive the submersible so deeply into the sand it would be difficult to save her.

The body of Lieutenant Commander James R. Webb, killed when the H-1 grounded, was believed still to be aboard the diver, the messages said. The body of seaman Joseph Kauffman had not been recovered.

BRYAN AGAIN URGES QUICK RATIFICATION

Commoner Hurls Self Into Midst of Treaty Wrangle—Says Senate Majority Must Decide Policy.

IRISH CLAUSE REJECTED

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Bryan arrived here today from Florida, en route to New York to deliver an address Friday night and immediately became a participant in the eleventh hour negotiations of Democratic senators working for a compromise on the peace treaty.

Although Mr. Bryan said he did not intend to visit the senate nor intervene in the treaty situation, Democratic senators began to consult him before he had finished his breakfast. Mr. Bryan gave out another statement urging ratification of the treaty.

"For Democratic senators to join with the 'irreconcilables' in defeating the treaty," he said, "is unthinkable in advance of its being actually accomplished, and it would be unspeakable afterwards."

"Suicidal" Policy Attacked.
Mr. Bryan said it would be "suicidal" for the Democratic party to deny the right of a majority of the senate to declare the senate's policy.

"We have the right to appeal to the people to reverse the act of the majority," he said, "but we have no right to resist that majority to prevent the people speaking through their representatives."

"The Democratic party can not hope to make much headway combatting the fundamental principle upon which it stands," he said.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Hastening to clear the way for final action on the peace treaty, the senate choked off a St. Patrick's Day debate on the Irish question by voting 54 to 21, a proposal to declare by reservation that Great Britain should proclaim Ireland free.

Following the introduction by the Republicans of a new reservation to the peace treaty, intended to replace the more definite international pledge of Article X, claims were made of further Democratic gains for ratification, with the Republican qualifications attached.

The new reservation, drafted by Senator Lenroot, declares the United States would "view with grave concern" any threat against the peace of Europe, and would consider what action it would take in the premises.

While not many members of the administration forces have had an opportunity to study the reservation and its effect, some senators predicted its adoption would palliate resentment over the reservation. Article X, which President Wilson has declared would "cut the heart" from the league of nations.

City Congratulated on Dry Act Enforcement by Orbison; Urges Continuance of Work

Mayor Zimmerman has received a letter from Charles J. Orbison, federal director of prohibition enforcement for Indiana, which commends the city administration for co-operating in the dry act enforcement, and urges unceasing watchfulness to continue enforcement. The letter follows:

"Dear Sir:—After three months of service as federal prohibition director for the state of Indiana, I am taking the liberty of addressing this communication to you, congratulating you and your police department upon the splendid way that you are co-operating with the federal government in the enforcement of all liquor laws, both state and national."

"While much good work has been done, there is still much illicit manufacturing and selling of intoxicating liquors and I am asking you to continue your diligence in the matter of deterring out law violators."

"I have reported to the department at Washington the general attitude of the mayors of Indiana, and I have received the very flattering compliment in return that Indiana is one of the cleanest states in the Union. May I ask your co-operation in making this splendid commonwealth of ours even cleaner than it is? You can always count on the co-operation and support of this office."

"Yours very truly,
"CHARLES J. ORBISON,
"Federal Prohibition Director for Indiana."

Timothy Nicholson to Get Home Next Sunday

Timothy Nicholson accompanied by his son-in-law, Dr. William V. Coffin of Whittier, Cal., will arrive in Richmond Sunday.

Mr. Nicholson has been ill for some time at the home of his daughter and son-in-law in Whittier, but is now greatly improved and able to make the trip to his home in Richmond, it is thought.

Dr. Coffin, who is financial director for California Yearly Meeting, is coming east to attend various conferences connected with the financial drive in April.

Murphy's Rooms To Be in Southwest Courthouse Wing

The office of E. F. Murphy, newly appointed county agent, will be open for the first time Saturday, County Superintendent C. A. Williams said Wednesday.

Murphy will occupy the old horticultural society room in the southwest wing of the courthouse. It is the plan of Murphy to maintain office hours on Saturday only, and to spend the rest of the week working in the field.

BATTLE NAMES RING THROUGH FRANKLIN SOLDIERS' HISTORY

Twenty-two men were sent into the military service of the United States during the world war, from Franklin township, Wayne county. Of this number, only one has not been recorded for the county history. W. O. Sealey collected the records. Following is the individual record of service:

William Lee Henry entered the army July 24, 1918; assigned to field artillery, headquarters department ninth brigade; discharged Dec. 27, 1918.

Joseph Henry Busby was assigned to Company F, 60th regiment, fifth division infantry; embarked from New York April 29, 1918; arrived in France May 12, 1918; battles, Anoulet Sector, Argonne-Meuse offensive; suffered gunshot wound in left foot; sailed for home Dec. 26, arriving Newport News, Jan. 7, 1918; discharged April 17, 1919, bugler.

Willard Ross Burt entered service as hospital apprentice, second class, and was assigned to 80th Company, eighth regiment, hospital duty; discharged Oct. 4, 1919, Norfolk, Va., as apprentice first class.

Received Praises and Awards.
William Rhodes entered service as musician first class; assigned to 52nd infantry band, regular army, sixth division; promoted to sergeant drum major; battles, Marne, St. Mihiel, Meuse Argonne, Plave River, Italy, and Champagne offensive; wounded twice; cited July 29, 1918 by General Medaille Militaire; and Oct. 18, 1919 by General Mangin for aiding M. G. in this country April 30, 1919 and is still in service.

Michael Nocton entered army Sept. 20, 1917, and was assigned to Company D, 309th regiment, 84th division, 159th depot brigade National army; embarked from Hoboken, N. J., Sept. 9, 1918, and arrived in France, Sept. 25, 1918; arrived in Hoboken, July 11, 1919, and discharged July 19, 1919, sergeant.

Francis Walter Curtis entered the army April 22, 1917, and was assigned to Company K, 62nd infantry, eighth division; hospital record, base hospital Camp Fremont, pneumonia; discharged Jan. 28, 1919, second lieutenant.

Donald Byron Matchner entered the war at Great Lakes Radio branch of the service as L. E. R. July 19, 1918 and received his training at Great Lakes naval training station; discharged Feb. 18, 1919.

Clarence Burgess entered the army Aug. 28, 1918, and was assigned to Company E, 77th regiment, infantry, national guard; discharged Jan. 28, 1919.

Carl Warren Adleman entered the service Aug. 28, 1918, and was assigned to fifth Company, third regiment, a division, national army; discharged Dec. 17, 1918.

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WILSON'S PICTURE SNAPPED ON RIDE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Photographers were permitted to take their first pictures of President Wilson to-day shortly after his return from his western trip last September.

He was photographed as he left the white house grounds on his fifth automobile ride, since he went to bed in October, "a very sick man."

Under instructions from the white house, the police allowed several moving picture operators and photographers to set up their machines at the southwest gate, and as the president's automobile came out, the chauffeur slowed down. The president laughed at the camera men when they hurriedly changed their positions to get additional pictures.

As the motor came out of the white house gate, the president saw several spectators with green caps and this reminded him that it was St. Patrick's day.

He was wearing no green and remarked to Mrs. Wilson that his failure to do so was an oversight. When he returned to the white house, he found in his study a vase of green roses and carnations. Secretary Tamm and other white house officials did not overlook the fact that it was St. Patrick's day.

Williamsburg Woman Hurt in Fall on Street

Mrs. William Pickett, of Williamsburg, became seriously ill of heart trouble at the corner of Eighth and Main streets shortly after noon Wednesday. She fell, striking her head against a building and cutting a deep gash in her forehead.

She was taken into a bank, and a physician called. She was later revived and taken to her home.

Farmers' Organization Quizzes Candidates

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—A questionnaire to be submitted to all candidates for the presidency was completed today by the national board of farm organizations, here. It includes 12 questions bearing on national problems, and President C. S. Barrett said each required a specific affirmation or negative answer.

The answers received will be made public, Mr. Barrett said, and when the canvass is completed, an announcement may be made as to which candidate comes nearest meeting the requirements of organized farmers.

NAVY FLYERS RESCUED IN HAVANA WATERS

KEY WEST, Fla., March 17.—Official messages received from Cuba shortly after noon today stated that Aviator D. C. Richardson and Mechanic Strang, missing with their small hydroplane since late last Monday, were rescued near Havana today.

The fliers left here Monday for Havana, with only two hours' supply of gasoline.

Out of Plot



General von Hindenburg's latest picture.

The Fatherland party, now in control in Berlin has been renounced by General von Hindenburg. It was announced some time ago that Hindenburg was the choice of the Fatherland party for the presidency.

SPARTACANS MORE TO BE FEARED THAN REACTION, BELIEF

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, March 17.—News from Berlin and other German points, telling of sanguinary clashes at Essen, Dortmund, Leipzig, Mannheim, Frankfurt and Brunswick, together with a report that a council of workmen had assumed power at Chemnitz, has given the impression here that there is more to be feared from a revival of the Spartacan movement than from the activities of the Kapp government in Berlin.

According to the latest dispatches the military movement has resulted in bloodshed in 24 German towns.

COPENHAGEN, March 17.—A telegram from Essen says that at the first sitting of the revolutionary workers' council held on Monday afternoon, a committee of 33 took over the conduct of affairs.

"Efforts are being made," adds the dispatch, "to secure common action of the socialist parties for the lower Rhine district and Westphalia on the basis of a proletarian dictatorship."

LONDON, March 17.—Independent Socialists and communists in Germany have commenced a violent agitation in favor of a soviet republic and an alliance with soviet Russia, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

BASLE, Switzerland, March 17.—A dispatch from Chemnitz, the industrial center in Saxony, with a population of more than 200,000, says a republic of workmen's councils has been proclaimed there. A "committee of action" has been formed, comprising 10 communists, six independent socialists, four majority socialists and one Democrat.

MINNESOTA PRIMARY FARCE—H. JOHNSON

DETROIT, Mich., March 17.—The Minnesota Republican primary was characterized as "pretense" and the "first strong arm tactics of the 1920 campaign" by United States Senator Hiram W. Johnson, in a signed statement issued here this forenoon.

He charged that "the Republican state machine is in absolute control of affairs in Minnesota. This machine," the statement declared, "has been conducting the Wood fight."

Although the state's presidential preference primary law had been repealed, Senator Johnson said, the Republican organization in Minnesota called what it termed a primary, with a preferential vote for President vote for president. Fixing the time of voting between 7:30 p. m. and 8:30 p. m., with county chairman powered to fix the hours 7 to 9 p. m., he alleged meant in the country districts, no primary at all."

SHELLEY POEM WAS SOLD FOR \$16,500

NEW YORK, March 17.—The original manuscript of Percy Bysshe Shelley's poem "Julian and Maddalo" was sold for \$16,250 to Ernest D. North at an auction of the library of the late Harry B. Forman yesterday. The original manuscript of "The Spectacles" by Edgar Allan Poe brought \$9,100 at the same sale.

\$12,000 HAUL OF TWO BANDITS IN CLEVELAND

(By Associated Press)
CLEVELAND, March 17.—Two armed bandits entered the Loraine avenue branch of the Cleveland Trust company, when the bank opened this morning, held up Cashier George Travnikar while he was making up a payroll, secured \$12,000 in cash and escaped in an automobile.

KAPP QUILTS; EBERT BACK IN CONTROL

Short-Lived German Revolt Costs Hundreds of Lives, Death Toll Mounting as Reports Come in.

ORDER NOT RESTORED

(By Associated Press)
The Kapp administration at Berlin, realizing the futility of attempting to hold the reins of power, has decided to give up its short lived dictatorship. At 1 o'clock this afternoon, Berlin time, Chancellor Kapp decided to resign, according to official advices from the German capital.

The list of killed reported from numerous German towns and cities in clashes between demonstrators and troops is mounting into the hundreds.

Heavy Casualty Lists.
There has been no direct confirmation of last night's report of 400 killed in a bombardment of Kiel by a warship, but there are apparently verified reports on 100 killed and 300 wounded at Dresden, probably more than 100 killed in Berlin suburbs and the killing of from half a dozen to a score of persons in other of the 24 or more German centers where the clashes have been reported.

Expressions of confidence in the speedy restoration of the Ebert government to complete control come from the headquarters of that government in Stuttgart.

Minister of Defense Noske is quoted as declaring he expects with the aid of his troops to secure the return of normal conditions in six or eight days.

PARIS, March 17.—Conditions in Germany, already chaotic, have been growing worse during the last 24 hours. It was indicated by dispatches reaching this city late last night.

While there is little doubt the reactionary movement headed by Dr. Wolfgang Kapp will be a fiasco, the general strike weapon which the Ebert regime has been obliged to use against it is casting the country into greater confusion.

Spartacan elements have seized their opportunity to stir up as much trouble as possible and disorders in many parts of Germany are attributed to the activities of these "stormy petrels."

Ebert Government Negotiates
There is no doubt the Ebert government, appalled by the economic consequences of a prolongation of existing conditions, is negotiating, if not with the coterie led by Dr. Kapp, at least with the moderates who have been careful not to identify themselves with Dr. Kapp.

A combination of forces making for restoration of order as rapidly as possible may be brought about but how far political parties are masters of the situation is a mooted point. The next few days will demonstrate whether it is possible to stem the tide of disaster in Germany.

Mob Storms French
A mob has stormed French headquarters at Bonn and pillaged stores and private houses, says a Berlin dispatch to the Journal.

The disorder began by an attack on a French military auto truck, the driver and several French officers narrowly escaping being lynched. Police officers were obliged to fire upon the mob, the dispatch says.

Fifty-nine persons have been killed and upwards of a hundred wounded in disorders at Treves, in the American zone of occupation southwest of Cologne, according to advices received here.

Revised figures for the casualties in the fighting at Dresden are said to show that more than 100 were killed and 300 wounded.

COPENHAGEN, March 17.—President Ebert, head of the German government, fled from Berlin last Saturday morning, stands firm in his determination not to have any relations with the new regime at the capital, says a short telegram received here from Stuttgart. The telegram says that in the course of an interview President Ebert declared:

"If an ill-considered complete accord with the imperial government were to have not so far deviated from the declaration made on Friday night as to reply to the insurgents ultimatum. There can be no question of an understanding with the perfidious enemies of the German constitution."

STUTTGART, March 17.—It is doubtful if the German national assembly will be able to meet here today as planned. Because of the railroad strike a great many members will be unable to reach this city in time for the opening of the session, which was set yesterday for four o'clock this afternoon. In government circles there was much optimism over the situation this morning.

COPENHAGEN, March 16.—Hamburg and its western suburb, Altona, are now definitely in the hands of the followers of the Ebert government of Germany, according to a despatch to the Social Democrat. General Von Wartenheim, who was defeated and captured in Altona, has joined the troops loyal to the Ebert regime.

WHITES AND NEGROES ARE TOGETHER IN HOSPITAL CHARGE

(By Associated Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 17.—Charges that white and negro patients at Fort Sam Houston base hospital are housed in the same wards and eat together at mess are being investigated under orders from Major General M. E. Ireland, surgeon general of the army. It was learned at Southern department headquarters today. The action was taken after Miss E. M. Preston, in San Antonio, who was at the hospital several days, renewed the charges.