

HOOVER TO THROTTLE GRAIN BARONS

Govt. Ready For Show-Down With Pacifists

WEATHER LOOSENS GRIP; GREAT ARMIES RENEW ONSLAUGHT

Violent Fighting Once More in Progress on Various Fronts.
TEN GERMAN AIR CRAFT SHOT DOWN

Both British and French Make Gains—Germans Launch Heavy Counter Attacks—Rumanians Exhibiting Stubborn Resistance on Their Front

London, Aug. 11.—Ten German machines were brought down outright, six were driven to earth out of control, and twelve British machines are missing following a day of the greatest aerial activity on the Flanders front.

Field Marshal Haig in reporting to-night stated that British planes dropped six and a half tons of bombs on German aerodromes, munitions and other military points during the day.

"The air fighting was very severe throughout the day," Haig's statement said. "Enemy aircraft crossed our lines in many places, attempting to prevent artillery fire."

After a period of an almost winter-like deadlock on all fronts, due in part to weather conditions, active fighting is now in progress with offensive movements being launched at various points by both Allied and Teutonic forces.

From Flanders on the western front, across the battle line to the Aisne and Champagne regions, British, French and German armies are exchanging blows.

In Galicia, Russians, Rumanians, Greeks and Austrians are locked in a series of battles which have been in progress for four days.

Both British and French progressed (Continued on Page Eight.)

DRASTIC STEPS BY RUSSIA TO MAKE POSITION STRONG

TAR HEELS ARE MADE OFFICERS IN U. S. ARMY

Number Wilmington Men Get Commissions as Second Lieutenants.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY GOVT. YESTERDAY

Result of Training of Men at the Camp at Fort Oglethorpe—Will Get Commands.

(By George H. Manning).
Washington, D. C., Aug. 11.—The War Department today announced the commissions which are to be given to the men attending the Officers' Reserve Corps training camp at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

All the North Carolinians who have been commissioned, together with the branch of the service and their rank, appear below.

These officers will command the men who will be drawn for the National Army and may be transferred to the regular army or as officers of the National Guard.

The North Carolinians who are given commissions in the Officers' Reserve Corps, from August 15th, are as follows:
To be majors—Max L. Barker, Salisbury; Louis C. Shucker, Cresswell.
To be captains—Cicero C. Falls, Mooreville; Sidney S. Alderman, Greensboro; James R. Stewart, Catawba; Wilson J. Squire, Charlotte; Jas. B. Taylor, Asheville; Perry A. Lyon, Fayetteville; George B. Dawson, Greensboro; Roscoe E. Parker, Raleigh; Horace B. Cowell, Washington, N. C.; Andrew J. Harris, Jr., Henderson; Gordon A. Duncan, Greensboro; James A. MacDougal, Raleigh; Chas. R. Bagley, Mayock; John R. Jones, North Carolina National Guard; Allan McGee, North Carolina National Guard; Russell C. Woody, Asheville; Curtis Bynum, Asheville; Theodore C. Tighman, Wilson.

To be first lieutenants—Earl J. Carson, Fayetteville; Joseph N. Jacobs, Raleigh; Charles S. Matton, High Point; Robert B. Anderson, Wilson; Thornton S. Graves, Durham; George R. McKoy, Raleigh; De Lancy I. Grimball, Flat Rock; Claude F. Andrews, Hillsboro; Peter E. Myers, Jr., St. Stephen; Allen R. Anson, Durham; Wm. H. Coppening, West, Raleigh; Robert H. Barden, Company E, Second Infantry, North Carolina National Guard; Walter M. Watts, Asheville; Henry L. Ingram, Asheville; John O. Wood, East La Port; Bascom W. Barnard, Asheville; Jos. H. Johnston, Chapel Hill; Ernest B. Hunter, Greensboro; James J. Britt, Jr., Asheville. W. A. Simpson, Raleigh; Millard P. Bond, Jr., North Carolina National Guard; Arthur M. Henderson, Raleigh; Roney Melton High, Wilson; Wm. P. Brall, Jr., Greensboro; James Smith Manning, Jr., Raleigh.

To be second lieutenants—William A. Couch, Durham; John H. Willig, Asheville; Mumford B. Smith, New Bern; John A. Moorefield, Reidsville; Sam C. Jackson, Charlotte; Reuben C. Stonesbury, New Holland, Hidetown; (Continued on Page Three.)

Orders Go Forth to Stamp Out All Treason and Cowardice.

KERENSKY ISSUES SHARP MANDATE

Russian Liberty Loan Meeting With Big Success—To Restrict Imports—Desperate Defense of Galician Frontier.

(By United Press).
Washington, Aug. 11.—Russia is taking drastic steps to strengthen her military, financial and internal situation, the Russian embassy here announced today.

Premier Kerensky has issued another order to all Russian commanders to spare no efforts, however rigorous, to eliminate treason and cowardice from the army. General Komiloff is putting the exchange of commodities and lowering the value of the Russian rubel. This step, together with the co-operative enterprises for buying and selling being organized by the Russian Ministry of finance, it is hoped will improve materially Russia's financial position.

The new Russian liberty loan is meeting with great success, the embassy announced. Many regiments are subscribing to the loan in a body.

Russia's military operations are new under direction of Premier Kerensky, Vice-Premier Nekrasoff, Foreign Minister Tereshchenko and General Korniloff, commander-in-chief of the Russian armies. Those men are no longer interfered with either by the other members of the ministry or by the Council of Workmen and Soldiers.

Russia has abandoned the office of procurator of the holy Synod. Instead, a ministry of religious cults has been created. M. Kartasheff has been appointed to fill the post. This is regarded as an important international reform in the direction of religious tolerance, as the office of procurator had a rather unsavory reputation.

MINISTER OF EDUCATION NIKITIN, SOCIALIST, HAS ORDERED THAT ALL SCHOOLS BE OPENED SEPT. 1. M. NIKITIN IS A YOUNG MOSCOW LAWYER AND IN THE DAYS OF THE OLD REGIME OFTEN INCURRED THE WRATH OF THE GOVERNMENT FOR HIS FEARLESS REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES.

ARRESTED CHARGED WITH ESPIONAGE.
(By United Press).
McAllen, Texas, July 11.—J. H. Smith, formerly of Menoni, Tex., Wisconsin, and C. A. Rice, formerly a sergeant in the seventh ty-furth New York regiment, were arrested here today by a United States deputy marshal, on a charge of violating the espionage laws.
They were charged specifically with drawing, making and selling maps of this portion of the country, showing in detail location of military camps, roads and other information considered of military value.

THE RETIREMENT OF MR. HENDERSON FROM THE CABINET

The Culmination of a Most Exciting Day in British Politics.

A STIRRING LETTER FROM LLOYD-GEORGE

Charging Him With Betraying the War Cabinet and Concealing Kerensky's Attitude Toward Socialist

(By United Press).
London, Aug. 11.—England seethed today in one of the bitterest controversies in months which culminated in the retirement from the Ministry and the war cabinet of Arthur Henderson, leader of the Labor party.

A biting letter from Premier Lloyd-George practically charged that Henderson had betrayed the confidence of the war cabinet, the inner circle of the ministry which has direct charge of the conduct of the war.

The entire controversy followed the decision of British labor in convention here yesterday to send delegates to the Socialist conference at Stockholm, where the question of peace is to be discussed next month.

The atmosphere is expected to be cleared Monday when Lloyd-George will make a statement as to the government's attitude toward the Stockholm conference. Meantime, however, the press today raised a terrible din, and Henderson issued a statement through the United Press asking that the public withhold judgment.

Lloyd-George charged in his letter that Henderson knew Premier Kerensky, of Russia, had sent a telegram stating that the Russian government did not approve of the Stockholm conference. The Stockholm meeting was originally planned at the invitation of the Russian workmen's and (Continued on Page Three.)

THE PACIFISTS DETERMINED ON BIG PEACE TALK

On the LaFollette Resolution Calling For a Showdown on Peace Terms.

UNCHECKED DEBATE TO BE ALLOWED THEM

But Administration Senators Will Show the Country Stands by the President in Opposition.

(By United Press).
Washington, Aug. 11.—The handful of out and out Congressional pacifists propose to have a big peace talk soon within Congress.

Led by members of the "willful twelve," they will thresh out the question of getting an allied-American showdown of war aims and peace terms. Senator LaFollette gave the ball a push today by introducing a resolution calling for such a statement, and proposing that the United States drop any idea of annexations and punitive indemnities.

Senator King, representing the great majority sentiment, introduced another resolution, demanding that the United States go on to a "finish fight" with the "outlawed German government."

Administration Senators will not attempt to check the proposed flood of talk.

Instead, they will let LaFollette, Stone and others get their ideas out, confident that the upshot will be publication to the world that America is in this war for a knock-out, and that peace can be talked successful only when Kaiserism and schrecklichheit have been banished from the earth.

MUST GO AFTER THE MIDDLEMEN

Food Director Has Task Ahead of Him to Reduce High Prices.

(By United Press).
New York, Aug. 11.—One of the big jobs before Hoover is to "bust" the middlemen in the big cities.

This was apparent tonight on the face of figures gathered by the United Press from seventeen cities throughout the country. They showed that food prices are much higher than a year ago in the larger cities, but in communities in the midst of farming centers prices are not only not higher, but are strikingly lower.

New York, Chicago and similar metropolitan centers are paying top prices for everything. In Lincoln, Neb., and Oklahoma City, prices of all commodities, from green vegetables to meats, are lower.

Department of Agriculture reports have shown that there is no shortage. Despite this, however, prices have been raised in many instances on a plea of conservation, the only result being to force the consumer to pay more for food than he has to have.

EX-PRESIDENT TAFT OUT OF DANGER

(By United Press).
Clay Center, Kansas, Aug. 11.—After a day of improvement, Wm. H. Taft was declared out of immediate danger by his physicians. Unless complications set in the ex-President probably within a week will start for his summer home in Canada.

Although physicians reported Mr. Taft's condition as "not serious," it became known tonight that during the first few days of his illness the ex-President was in a precarious condition.

APPEALS TO ALL RUSSIANS TO FIGHT

(By United Press).
London, Aug. 11.—Premier Kerensky today appealed to all Russians in England to join the British army, or return home to fight. The appeal from the Russian Premier was forwarded from Petrograd and circulated in England. (Continued on Page Three.)

THE SHIPPING BOARD DOES BIG DAY'S WORK IN SHIP CONTRACTS

PLANS PERFECTING FOR PREPAREDNESS IN THE WORLD WAR

Commissioner Hoover Starts His Campaign For Food Preservation.

CONTRACTS APPROVED FOR GREATER TONNAGE

Some Delay in Getting Guardsmen to Cantonment. One Camp in Readiness. Discordant Note.

(By United Press).
Washington, Aug. 11.—The end of another war week found the government tonight far advanced in its preparation to battle Kaiserism to its knees.

The Food Control and Survey bills having become laws, Herbert Hoover was laying the ground work for a vigorous assault, beginning Monday, on the strongholds of the wheat speculators in the country. The Agriculture Department has already launched a nation-wide survey to determine the actual food needs and supplies.

Admitting that a shortage of 250,000 bushels of wheat looms ahead, far-reaching steps are to be taken to conserve the supply. Available supplies in other countries also are being inquired into.

The shipping board, having approved today great contracts for additional tonnage—both wood and steel—began preparation of estimates for nearly \$1,000,000,000 more from this Congress. At the same time it was officially admitted that the requisition of vessels flying the American flag already has begun. The first vessels taken over by the government are to be used to transport supplies for American camps in Europe.

Some delay threatens in moving the National Guard South for training. Guard camps scheduled to open August 15 will not be ready for from 2 to 4 weeks after that date. A detailed report submitted to the War Department shows today that only one camp—Greenville, S. C.—is ready. Advance detachments have been sent there to pitch camp.

Postponement of Guard training makes it almost certain a majority of these troops will not see service in France before spring. Some, however, will go to France this fall.

Reports gathered from all cantonment camps by the United Press today indicate most of these will be ready for the new national army, the first 200,000 of which will leave for training probably September 5th.

The boom in war work was met with a threatened peace outbreak in Congress sponsored by members of that group termed "the willful twelve." Some wanted a restatement of peace terms by all allied governments. LaFollette started the movement with a resolution calling for such declaration today.

MORE JAPANESE SHIPS JOIN ALLIED FLEETS

(By United Press).
London, Aug. 11.—Additional Japanese naval units have joined the allied forces in European waters, the admiralty announced today.

The strength of the Japanese units not being announced, how many warships Japan now has in European waters is problematical. The first Japanese vessels to join in aiding the allied sea patrol were destroyers, which have been operating in the Mediterranean.

Approves Contracts For Building One Hundred and Twenty-Five Ships.

AT THE HUGE COST OF ONE HUNDRED MILLION

Original Plan of the Board Greatly Enlarged—To Turn Out Six Millions of Tonnage a Year.

(By United Press).
Washington, Aug. 11.—After approving contracts for more than 125 vessels to cost upwards of \$100,000,000—the biggest single day's work—the government shipping board today decided to ask Congress for an additional appropriation of nearly a billion dollars.

It was announced tonight that of the approved contracts, Chairman Hurley, before leaving for Atlantic City, signed for 50 vessels, aggregating 200,000 tons, to cost \$25,000,000. The other contracts will be signed next week.

The shipping program will be more tremendous than ever dreamed of. Instead of 3,000,000 tons the first year, double this tonnage will be attempted.

The new estimates to be submitted to Congress shortly will cover plans for fabricating a standardized steel cargo carrier of about 7,500 tons capacity which can be turned out by the hundreds in the country's big steel plants and assembled at the seashore.

The board's contracts already let will consume most of the \$750,000,000 originally appropriated. Chairman Hurley and Admiral Capps are confident Congress will provide the necessary additional money.

More will be needed for expediting scores of vessels now building in private yards, which the government recently commandeered, as well as for (Continued on Page Three.)

AMERICAN SUB. RAMMED SHIP

Accident in Fog in Atlantic Harbor, But No Lives Lost

(By United Press).
An Atlantic Port, Aug. 11.—A passenger steamer, with 1,000 on board, was rammed by a United States submarine in the harbor here late this afternoon. The accident occurred in a heavy fog.

No lives were lost. The submarine commander held the nose of his vessel into the side of the steamer while the passengers were transferred to another steamer which rushed to the rescue.

The passengers were mostly women and children bound for an amusement park.

The steamer, according to reports, was proceeding slowly through the fog when without warning the gray bulk of the submarine appeared a few feet away.

Before the vessel could be swung out of the course the crash came. A gaping hole was torn at the water line of the steamer.

The quick action of the crew prevented a panic and the passengers were transferred with only one man slightly injured.

Neither the submarine nor the steamer sank.

GEORGIANS APPROVE HARDWICK'S COURSE

(By United Press).
Hinesville, Ga., Aug. 11.—Anti-draft citizens of Hinesville tonight voted, 75 to 27, to appeal to Congress to repeal the draft law. They endorsed the attitude of Senator Hardwick, of Georgia, a leader in the anti-draft movement in Congress.