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## CONFIDENCE OF COUNTRY IS NEEDED FOR THE TREMENDOUS EFFORT, SAYS WAR SECRETARY

Replying to Senator Chamberlain Baker Says It is Impossible There Should Not Be Delays and Shortcomings in So Great An Undertaking.

IMPATIENCE IS THE CAUSE OF CRITICISM

Says American People Are Too Impatient "to Do This Great Thing Quickly"—One Million Men Under Arms in This Country Right Now, He Declares.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Secretary Baker in a long, personal statement today before the senate military committee replied to Senator Chamberlain's charges of inefficiency and a breakdown in the war department.

Without prepared manuscript and in a frank, conversational manner, the secretary of war told the senators he came to defend no mistake or shortcomings, but to insist most emphatically that deficiencies were disclosed had promptly been remedied; that they were the exception rather than the rule and that the very magnitude of America's undertaking made errors of judgment and mistakes likely.

Incidentally, in defending the war machinery against the charge of inefficiency and lack of initiative to prepare for war when war was assured the secretary disclosed some facts hitherto held confidential.

France and Great Britain, he said, are supplying artillery to the American forces because they have an excess and because it will save ships.

Thirty-two divisions of National guard and National army troops in camp in the United States—more than 1,000,000 men in all—are considered ready to go overseas for service whenever it is decided they shall move.

Every American who uses a rifle at ready has been provided with one and the rate of manufacture assures a steady supply as troops become ready to use them.

Great Britain and France, he said, are prepared to furnish machine guns for the land forces until the American supplies arrive and, in fact, wish to do so.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Secretary Baker today replied to Senator Chamberlain's charges of inefficiency in the war department at a public hearing before the senate military committee. The secretary began making a verbal statement without manuscript.

Mr. Baker said his statement was not exactly supplementary to his recent one to the committee but a comprehensive statement on all army activities in the war especially replying to the charges that the war department had "fallen down."

At the outset, the secretary said, he thought much criticism came from impatience of the American people "to do this great thing quickly."

He conceded freely that in so great an enterprise it was impossible that there should not be "delays and shortcomings." The confidence of the country, however, he said, was necessary to the tremendous effort.

That there are more than a million men under arms in this country was stated by Secretary Baker in referring to the cases of alleged neglect of the dead in camps cited by Senator Chamberlain.

Major-General Wood, Mr. Baker said, recommended calling out a large army, although the men could not be provided at once with rifles and clothing.

Every soldier who needs a rifle has one and of a better type than if the British Enfield rifle had been adopted.

Defending the lack of Lewis machine guns Secretary Baker reiterated that General Pershing does not want Lewis guns for ground forces but only for aviation.

Declaring that by securing artillery from France Mr. Baker said it would also save ships.

"I am telling, no secret when I say that ships are the cry of our problem," he said.

Secretary Baker said all foreign representatives and also the war council participants headed by Colonel House declared that securing ordnance from England and France will not take supplies they need but will help them.

### THE ENTERPRISE OFFERS TO GIVE THRIFT STAMPS

The boys and girls of High Point and vicinity as well as the adults are afforded an opportunity to come in possession of the war thrift stamps sold by the government as a result of an offer made by The Enterprise today. For each and every new subscription received for three months, \$1.25, a thrift stamp will be given. For each renewal of an old subscription for six months, \$2.50, a stamp will also be given. This puts the securing of the new subscriptions on a commission basis of 20 per cent, and the renewals on a 10 per cent basis. In each instance the payment must accompany the subscription and the thrift stamp will immediately be forthcoming. By this offer The Enterprise hopes to assist the merchants and other workers of the city in bringing about the realization of the slogan, "Thrift Stamps in Every Home."

## CUNARDER SINKS DESPITE EFFORTS

Torpedoed Sunday Morning All Efforts to Bring Vessel to Port Fail.

London, Jan. 28.—The Cunarder Andania, reported yesterday to have been torpedoed but not sunk, went to the bottom in spite of efforts to get her into port, according to information reaching the Associated Press today.

The ship was torpedoed off the Ulster coast on Sunday morning. Press dispatches from Belfast said it was believed no deaths resulted from the explosion.

The vessel, 13,405 tons, was built in 1913 and has made many trips between British and American ports.

## SUGAR CERTAIN TO GET SOME CHEAPER

State Food Administration Makes the Announcement—Flour Also Due to Descend.

Raleigh, Jan. 28 (Special).—Notwithstanding the fact that the food administration has frankly and readily granted a few merchants permission to sell flour on hand at more than \$12.50 per barrel and sugar at more than 10c a pound where they have shown that the delivered cost of the product has approached the figures sent, a further reduction in sugar is announced as a certainty and as will further cut in the maximum price of flour is intimated as a possibility.

As a result of complaints from merchants who have paid very nearly the maximum retail price for their flour and sugar the food administration has taken up with the Washington authorities the matter of prices charged by a number of flour mills outside of North Carolina and is also investigating what appears to be unreasonable charges for sugar by a number of dealers outside the state.

A food administration official stated today that in only one instance has a North Carolina jobber been found who recently charged more than the margin allowed him on sugar. In this instance the case was due to a delay in the invoice and was altogether excusable, especially as the merchant very promptly refunded to retailers his profit in excess of the margin allowed. In very few instances have North Carolina jobbers been found to have exceeded the margin of 50c a barrel allowed them for the handling of flour.

### GREGORY WANTS DECISION IN NORTH CAROLINA CASE

Washington, Jan. 28.—Attorney General Gregory today asked the Supreme court for an early decision in the case appealed from North Carolina in which the child labor law was declared unconstitutional.

## Cyclone Submerges a Town In Australia—Loss of Life Is Great

London, Jan. 28.—The town of Mackay, Queensland, Australia, has been completely submerged and it is feared that the loss of life there has been great, according to a Reuter's dispatch from Brisbane.

This report was received by wireless from a steamer in a harbor, the only means of communication with the town.

There have been reports during the last few days of a great disaster at Mackay, owing to a cyclone and rain but details have been unobtainable because all wire communication has been interrupted.

## Revolution Is Proceeding In Eastern Provinces of Finland

Stockholm, Jan. 28.—The long threatened revolution in Finland is proceeding in the eastern provinces according to sparse reports reaching Haparanda and forwarded here. A railway station is reported to have been occupied by the Russian Red Guard. Sharp fighting has taken place at Viborg.

Russian soldiers are said to be aiding the Red Guard and reinforcements are reported to have been sent from Petrograd.

## AMERICAN FLYERS HELP BOMB GERMANY

They Flew Low Over Their Targets and Believe Good Results Were Obtained.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 27.—(By the Associated Press).—Four American aviators attached to a French squadron have participated in a daylight bombing raid over Germany.

All returned safely. Because the weather was foggy the aviators were unable to determine just what damage was done, but as they flew fairly low over the targets it is believed results were good.

After crossing the line the bombers were fired upon vigorously by enemy air guns.

## GERMANY'S ATTITUDE SEVERELY CENSORED

Huns Are Virtually Accused of Forcing Austria-Hungary Into War, and Preventing Peace.

London, Jan. 28.—Maximalist Hardin devotes 13 closely written pages in the latest issues of the Die Zukunft to reproducing the "real text" of the recent speeches of President Wilson and Premier Lloyd-George.

He says that thoughtful and conscientious men should read the speeches quietly and without prejudice and criticize in an astonishingly outspoken fashion Germany's attitude towards Austria in the Russian negotiations.

Her Hardin virtually accuses Germany of forcing Austria-Hungary into the war and says that peace might have been obtained during the first week at Brest-Litovsk if the Germans had not posed as conquerors and had not demanded territory.

### "A. P." TO ARGUE WITH HEARST'S GANG APRIL 5

Washington, Jan. 28.—The supreme court today to expedite proceedings brought by the Associated Press to prevent the printing of news by the International News Service, April 5 was set as a date for the arguments.

### Decrees Denied.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Federal decrees denying the right of the supreme lodge Knight of Pythias to increase amounts of insurance under its by-laws as amended in 1888, were today denied by Supreme court.

London, Jan. 28.—Steamship Cook has been torpedoed.

Seven passengers and five members of the crew were lost.

## 532 STILLS CONFISCATED IN CAROLINAS

In North Carolina Federal Agents Found 411 Stills and 697 Distilleries—In South Carolina 121 Stills, 206 Distilleries.

Responsibility of the State and County Officials in Assisting Federal Men Urged by Commissioner Roper.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The necessity of arousing state and county officials to their responsibility in assisting the government to break up the manufacture of moonshine whiskey is urged upon the governors of prohibition states today in a letter from Internal Revenue Commissioner Roper.

The letter was made public as part of a nation wide campaign against distilling recently announced by Commissioner Roper when it was discovered that moonshining was rapidly increasing in bone dry states and that whiskey was being sold illegally to soldiers in southern training camps.

The campaign has already resulted in the arrests of many moonshiners in southern states.

In this connection the destruction of 111 stills and 697 distilleries in North Carolina and 121 and 206 distilleries in South Carolina by federal agents during 1917 is cited.

Figures show moonshining heaviest in the southern states but indicates increased illegal manufacture in Kansas, Iowa and Oregon.

## HIGH POINTERS ARE TO HEAR GOVERNOR

Bickett to Speak at Greensboro Tomorrow Evening Under auspices War Stamp Campaign.

Quite a number of High Pointers are interested in the visit of Thomas W. Bickett to Greensboro tomorrow evening when the executive will speak concerning the war thrift and savings stamps. The governor comes to Greensboro upon the special invitation of the committees working to sell the stamps and Thomas R. Foust, county superintendent of education, has extended a cordial invitation to the people of High Point to attend. The address of the governor will be delivered at the Municipal theater at 8 o'clock, and Col. E. H. Fries, state director of the war savings stamps campaign, will also deliver a short speech. The audience will join in singing patriotic melodies under the direction of Prof. Wade R. Brown, director of music at the State Normal and Industrial college.

The war savings stamp campaign is just beginning to get under way in Guilford county and it is confidently expected by the leaders in the campaign that Guilford will prove one of the banner counties of North Carolina. The address of Governor Bickett is expected to add impetus to the sale of the stamps.

### BOLSHEVIKI TROOPS CLASH WITH UKRAIN

Heavy Fighting Reported From Several Ukrainian Sources—Ukrains Try to Capture Lusk Volhynia.

Amsterdam, Jan. 28.—Heavy fighting has been in progress for several days between Ukrainians and Bolsheviki troops according to press dispatches reaching here from Ukrainian sources. An attack was made by Ukrainian troops, which attempted to take possession of Lusk-Volhynia.

The Bolsheviki commander appealed for assistance to the Austro-Hungarian commander of that district, who declined to aid him.

### WAR OPERATIONS SERIOUSLY HALTED BY SNOW STORM

Washington, Jan. 28.—Industrial and railway centers in the east unaffected by the food administration's weekly heatless Monday, were forced to slow down in their important war operations today by a snow fall which in some sections was heavy.

Indications were that the snow would continue Tuesday from the Lake region eastward and the worst tie-up of railway was in prospect should the weather bureau's predictions be fulfilled.

There will be little change from the Ohio valley eastward today and tomorrow.

## Commander of New York State's Mounted Police



MAJOR CHANDLER.

Major Chandler, commander of New York State's mounted police, seated at his desk at headquarters. He is wearing, for the first time, the uniform of the police. The costume smacks of the British officers' outfit. It has lapels on the coat, which is skirted like the cavalry coat, and is fitted with patch pockets. The trousers are wider than those of the army, being similar to the British and French. The braids on the sleeves is gray.

## AMERICAN PEOPLE WENT ON WAR BREAD DIET TODAY FOR ALLIES

Washington, Jan. 28.—For the purpose of creating a bread export surplus for the European allies of the United States, the American people this morning went on a bread diet, this being a part of the war rationing system prescribed by President Wilson and the United States food administration.

A baker's bread for five flour with a five per cent substitution of other cereals for wheat until a 20 per cent substitution is reached February 24.

Sale by retailers to housewives of an equal amount of substitute flour for every pound of wheat flour purchased at the time flour is bought.

Sale by millers to wholesalers and wholesalers to retailers of only 70 per cent of the amount of wheat flour sold last year.

Two wheatless days a week, Monday and Wednesday and one wheatless meal a day.

One meatless day a week, Tuesday, and one meatless meal a day.

Two porkless days a week, Tuesday and Saturday.

The following proclamation was issued by President Wilson:

"Many causes have contributed to make the necessity for a more intensive effort on the part of our people to save food in order that we may supply our associates in the war with the sustenance vitally necessary to them in these days of privation and stress. The reduced productivity of Europe because of the large diversion of man power to the war, the partial failure of harvest and the elimination of the more distant markets for food—through the destruction of shipping places, the burden of their suffering very largely on our shoulders.

"The food administration has formulated suggestions which it believes will enable us to meet this great responsibility without any real inconvenience on our part.

"In order that we may reduce our consumption of wheatless and wheat products by 20 per cent a reduction imperatively necessary to provide the supply for overseas wholesalers, jobbers and retailers should purchase and sell to their customers only 70 per cent of the amount used in 1917. All manufacturers of pastes, biscuits, crackers, pastry and breakfast cereals should reduce their purchases and consumption of wheat and wheat flour to 70 per cent of their 1917 requirements, and all bakers of bread and rolls to 80 per cent of their current requirements. Consumers should reduce their purchases of wheat products for home preparation to at most 70 per cent of those of last year, or when buying bread should purchase mixed cereal breads from the bakers.

"To provide sufficient cereal for homes, public eating places, doctors and manufacturers should substitute potatoes, vegetables, corn, barley, oats and rice products and the mixed cereal bread and other products of the bakers which contain an admixture of other cereals.

"In order that consumption may be

## CZERNIN IS CRITICIZED FOR ACTION

Para-German Newspapers Bitterly Criticize Austrian Foreign Minister for Sending Text of His Speech to President Wilson.

May Cause Break in the Austro-Hungarian Alliance—Reports in Holland of Disturbances in Germany.

Count Czernin's speech on war aims and the statement that it was sent in advance to President Wilson has aroused much sentiment in Germany and para-German newspapers bitterly criticize the foreign minister for his action.

It is declared that the count's action means a break in the Austro-German alliance and one para-German newspaper has been suppressed for saying that Germany should abandon her foremost ally.

While the workmen in Austria apparently have returned to work resorts have been received in Holland of disturbances in the industrial districts along the Rhine in Germany. Few details have been obtained, but it is said that troops with machine guns have been sent to Muelheim, a manufacturing town on the Rhine, opposite Cologne.

Meanwhile para-German attacks on the leading politics and even including the emperor continue and have spread to include criticism of Count Roeder, the imperial treasurer.

Dr. von Kuehlman, the foreign minister, has defended his course in the Russian parleys by assailing the Bolsheviki government and its purpose. His efforts, however, failed to check the progress of the German government's recent attitude towards Russia.

That German submarines will try to cut off communication with Europe simultaneously with the expected offensive in the western front is the opinion expressed by Secretary of War Baker in his weekly review of the military situation.

Strong efforts, it is believed, will be made to prevent the American aid from reaching the Anglo-French and American forces on the battle line. The U-boats are now preparing for their part in the offensive at various bases. Activity on the fronts is confined to artillery raids and intermittent bombardments.

## PLENTY OF COAL COMING TO CITY

Arctic Company Has Number of Cars in Transit, An Official Has Stated.

Sufficient coal to relieve all existing needs in High Point is en route to the city, according to a statement made Saturday by Mr. Cartland, an official of the Arctic Ice and Coal company. There are a number of cars en route to High Point and the coal company has one to the trouble to keep track of the cars constantly as they wheel their way High Pointward from the mines.

The coal should be received and be ready for distribution by Wednesday or Thursday, according to the calculations of Mr. Cartland. It was stated that the Arctic company is doing everything it can to ease for the needs of the people of High Point and Greensboro and that only the shortage in cars has caused any inconvenience to be felt.

## Hearing of Matthews, Charged With Murder Started This Morning

The preliminary hearing of Theodore Matthews, the negro who is charged with killing Jesse James, also a negro, at the home of Matthews, in "Congregation Town," last Thursday night, was started in municipal court this morning before Judge J. Allen Austin. A good start was made and progress was rapid until time for adjournment for luncheon. Court recessed at that time until 2:30 this afternoon. The evidence brought out during the morning session was similar to that given the newspapers by different negroes who knew the dead negro and Matthews, a short time after the shooting.

### AMERICAN PATROL BEACHED IN EUROPE

No Loss of Life or Injury to Crew, But Vessel Will Have to Be Abandoned, Say Reports.

Washington, Jan. 28.—An American patrol boat was today reported to the navy department ashore on a rock in European waters. The boat went ashore during a fog on January 25. There was no loss of life or injury to the crew. The vessel will probably have to be abandoned.

### MASSES PROTEST THE REDUCTION OF RATIONS

Three Thousand Rioters Gather in Suburb of Prague, Smash Windows and Plunder Stocks.

Zurich, Switzerland, Jan. 28.—Three thousand persons took part in a riot in the suburb of Prague Friday against reduction of the flour rations, a Vienna dispatch says. Shop windows were smashed and the mob had begun to plunder the stocks when the police intervened. The rioters were dispersed with difficulty.