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TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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KERENSKY, VICTOR, ENTERS PETROGRAD

FIFTEEN HUNDRED KILLED AND WOUNDED PRESENT TOLL OF REVOLUTION IN CITY OF PETROGRAD AND MOSCOW.

TROTSKY - LENINE COMBINE WEAKENING

(By Ed Keen.)

(United Press Staff Correspondent.) London, Nov. 13.—Eight hundred killed and wounded at Petrograd and seven hundred at Moscow, is what the Bolsheviki movement against the government has cost Russia so far.

Petrograd dispatches detailed a growing wave of anarchy, robbery, murder and rapine.

The Trotsky-Lenine combination lacks sufficient men to exercise authority.

Stockholm, Nov. 13.—Kerensky's troops have entered Petrograd, and are now "masters of a portion of the city," according to dispatches received here.

Nevisky prospect has been taken and the Bolsheviki are reported to be fleeing to the Smolny Institute for refuge. They have offered but feeble resistance.

BAKER REVEALS ENEMY TACTICS

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Washington, Nov. 13.—Secretary Baker's weekly war summary says that the carefully planned political offensives in Russia and Italy, preparatory to military offensives clearly reveals the present methods of the Germans.

"In Italy the situation is developing normally and the morale rapidly restoring."

On the Russian front the Germans are again trying to fraternize.

FOOD HOARDING IS UNCOVERED

(By United Press.)

New York, Nov. 13.—Continuing the hunt for hoarded foodstuffs Chief Flynn is secretly this morning guarding a million dollars worth of eggs in cold storages.

This makes the total eggs corralled representing a value of four and a quarter million dollars.

NATIONAL GUARD COMPOSITION

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Washington, Nov. 13.—The outline of the new divisions of National Guard now being organized on European scale has been made public by the war department, as follows:

The twenty-sixth division of New England troops, twenty-eighth Pennsylvania, thirtieth North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, thirty-sixth Texas and Oklahoma and thirty-seventh Ohio.

INDICTS SENATOR FOR UTTERANCES

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Pensacola, Fla., Nov. 13.—State Senator J. L. Shephard is charged with opposition to the military draft and has been indicted by the federal grand jury.

CRENSHAW JURY DISAGREES

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Charlottesville, Nov. 13.—The Crenshaw jury disagrees. The case now goes over to the December term of court on motion for the defence.

HISTORIC VENICE PREPARES FOR ENEMY

ENDEAVOR TO PROTECT PRICES OF ART TREASURES. AUTHORITIES PREPARE FOR ARMY OF SPOILS.

ROME FEELS SECURE TROOPS WILL HOLD

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Rome, Nov. 13.—Steps are being taken to remove every uniformed man from Venice leaving the Germans, should they, by any chance, reach the city, with no excuse for destroying the historic buildings there.

The Austrians are opposite the city awaiting developments on the upper waters of the Piave in their enveloping strategy.

Rome is confident the Italian lines will hold, despite the menace of the flanking movement from Asiago.

The enemy is bringing up big guns in an apparent drive towards Treviso.

LEWISOHN CONTROLS PLATINUM

(By United Press.)

Washington, Nov. 13.—An American firm—Adolf Lewisohn and Son, of 61 Broadway, New York, has the valuable concession—an absolute monopoly—of mining Columbian platinum.

Platinum—a war metal more costly than gold, is today selling for \$110 an ounce, the Council of National Defense states, although the government is filling all its needs at \$65 an ounce.

Before the war platinum was worth only \$40 an ounce. Stopping the Russian supply to America—before America entered the war, and the urgent demand for platinum for making sparkers in spark plugs, boosted the price.

WHY CHINA PROTESTED

Washington, Nov. 13.—Authorities explained why China had not been consulted about the United States—Japan pact was to prevent delays. The pact is altruistic and in no way affects China adversely, it is related.

China's protest is based on her inability to recognize Japan's special interests.

According to authorities these special interests are based on the propinquity to a weaker neighbor to recognize the doctrine of international law.

COTTON MARKET

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	27.99	28.03	27.97	28.00
Jan.	27.25	27.28	27.15	27.16
Mar.	26.68	26.68	26.33	26.33
May	26.38	26.35	26.33	26.33
July	25.67	26.07	25.26	26.06

Local Market 27 1/2 cents.

NEWS FROM STATE CAPITOL

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, Nov. 13.—With Thanksgiving Day only two weeks off those of us who are interested (and every one of us should be) in the care of the thousands of little Orphans in North Carolina should remember on this one day of the year that we are specially called upon to help them. There should be no "slackers" in this effort this year especially, when we have all been called on so often for war purposes. The very fact that there is danger of the relief fund falling below the average this year on that account should spur us all to exercise greater activity and liberality in behalf of these little motherless and fatherless children—to care for whom the Savior of mankind so particularly enjoined upon us.

Practically all of the sixteen orphanages in North Carolina are now forced to deny admittance to many children who need their care, and many of those now in these institutions cannot be fully cared for if this annual Thanksgiving help is not given this year in full measure. This is the greatest of all charities—the greatest of all opportunities of the year presents itself to you to "add a star to your crown" by doing it unto "one of the least of these." Nov. 25th will be "Orphan Day" at the church you attend. If you are not there then, send your contribution direct to the orphanage of your choice, if you are able to help only one of them.

Fuel Famine Already.

For ten days it has been impossible to get wood to burn in Raleigh from the fuel dealers even at seven dollars per cord. They say they can't get it to sell at any price. Coal is also scarce and the winter season not yet begun. Some heroic means must be adopted at once, here and in the other towns.

Dr. Alexander Resigns.

The resignation of Dr. Q. Alexander as a member of the State Board of Agriculture is alleged to have been written and sent to Raleigh. But the governor is out of the city much of the time and he was not here to deny or confirm officially the report. The course pursued by Dr. Alexander with reference to preparation for the war forced upon us has been such that he is condemned and scored by most patriotic people and his position of President of the State Farmers Union is likely to soon be filled by another, unless he can remove the present strong opposition to re-election.

Criminal Not Yet Caught.

The inhuman burglar who last week choked a 3-months old infant to death here has not yet been apprehended. The local police seem to be helpless in the case and rewards aggregating nearly

CARPONI PLANE NOW ENROUTE

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Mineola, L. I., Nov. 13.—The Caproni airplane is underway at 11 o'clock on the return trip of 326 miles to the Langley field in Virginia.

The great warplane is being piloted by Resnati, with six army and navy officers and two mechanics aboard.

MECHANICAL COP DENVER INVENT.

Denver, Colo., Nov. 13.—And now the well known Irish traffic cop is going to be looking for a new job.

A Denver inventor has perfected what is said to be the first practical substitute for the son of Erin who works the "Stop-Go" sign at street intersections. The machine, which is being given a thorough try-out by the Denver traffic departments, is said to perform all the functions ordinarily left to the cop, with none of his mistakes.

GOMPERS SPEAKS TO LABORITES

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Buffalo, Nov. 13.—A discussion for shorter hours for a days work, and other working conditions, as well as disputes among trades and arbitration with employers are subjects being discussed at today's Federation of Labor sessions.

President Gompers delivered the annual address outlining the work of the last year.

WILSON WELCOME ENTHUSIASTIC

(By United Press)

Washington, Nov. 13.—The presidential party is back from the trip to Buffalo.

Wilson was greeted enthusiastically en route and he shook hands with everyone within reach at all the stops.

The president was aroused last night to greet a train crew, which in the twenty years of service had never before been honored in carrying a president of the United States.

"THE QUESTIONNAIRE" REGISTRATION BLANKS

SIXTEEN PAGE BOOKLET MUST BE FILLED OUT BY EVERY REGISTERED MAN IN THE SELECTIVE WAR DRAFT.

NOTHING OMITTED- OTHER EXEMPT. VOID

Washington, Nov. 13.—The "questionnaire," the new registration blanks for the military selection draft, have been issued to each local exemption board.

The blanks are in fact booklets of sixteen pages and cover every conceivable occupation and condition, the front page being devoted to classification ratio of draft in five classes, the first covering those who have no cause for exemption; class two, are for men who are called to the colors when the whole of the first class have been taken or rejected; classes three and four act in the same manner respectively, of men who are valuable in manufacturing, industrial and agricultural enterprise, class four being those who are most valuable to business, or to their dependents.

Class five is made up of those exempted for physical disability, ministers of the gospel, officials in executive legislative and judicial branches of the government, and those who belong to sects whose religious belief do not allow them to participate in war in any way. Throughout the following pages are the modes and reasons for exemption, occupations, unearned

cerements, private income of wife, parents or children, and other information that bases the exact position in life of those who desire exemption on the various grounds, all of which must be filled out by the applicant, or registered man, the proper filling out and filing within the eight days allowed (excepting Sundays and holidays) in which the "questionnaire" is to be delivered to the local exemption board resting entirely upon the applicant.

Two affidavits, in addition to that of the applicant himself, must be sworn before an official designated to take acknowledgment, for which, and even legal service, there shall be no charge made.

Special reference is made to previous exemptions, which are declared void if affected prior to the date of the institution of the "questionnaire," so that all registered men, other than those already in the military camps, must fill out the new registration papers or stand the consequence, the penalty for disregarding the requirements of this new ruling is twelve months imprisonment and then military service.

ITALIANS SCORE FIRST SUCCESS

(By United Press.)

London, Nov. 13.—The Italian line, reinforced by the British and French, successfully withstood the first blow aimed at the Piave river positions by the Austro-Germans.

The first clash occurred around Asiago and resulted in a repulse of the enemy and the capture of a number of prisoners.

Washington, Nov. 13.—Cables indicate the entire Italian line has been stiffened for defense.

Minister Bereneni has left for Paris to represent Italy at the inter-allied conference.

Gallito has been taken by the Italians in a furious bayonet assault.

SUBMARINE IN ATLANTIC

(By United Press)

New York, Nov. 13.—A second report of submarines in mid-Atlantic has been made by the United States hydrographic office, which reports that U-boats have been seen eight hundred miles southeast of Halifax.

AM. AVIATORS COM OFFICERS

(By W. J. Pegler.)

(By United Press.)

American Field Headquarters in France, Nov. 13.—All American aviators in the French army were formally commissioned as officers of the United States army aviation service.

Huge shipments of turkeys, mince-meats, etc., for a Thanksgiving spread has arrived.

WILD ANIMALS KILL LIVESTOCK

(By United Press.)

Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 13.—Members of the New Mexico Cattle and Horse Growers' Association have appealed to the secretary of agriculture for immediate expenditure of \$100,000 of federal funds in the state, in an effort to combat the ravages upon stock by predatory animals. Estimates based upon the tax rolls place the number of head of livestock destroyed by mountain lions, wolves and coyotes as follows, during the past year: Cattle, 24,350, valued at \$1,374,000; sheep, 165,000, \$1,320,000; horses 850, \$21,250.