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KAISER SUMMONS CHIEFS TO CONFERENCE

DISTURBED OVER RECENT BRITISH VICTORIES IN PALESTINE. EMPEROR WILHELM WANTS TO AID THE TURKS.

HINDENBURG MAY BE ASKED TO COMMAND

(By United Press.) Amsterdam, Nov. 23.—The Kaiser has summoned Hindenburg, Quartermaster General Leudendorf, General Von Mackensen to Berlin for a conference on the question of giving possible aid to the Turks in Palestine. Emperor Wilhelm appears to be worried over England's Turkish victories.

WAR SAVINGS PREPARATIONS

(BY UNITED PRESS) Winston-Salem, Nov. 23.—Col. F. A. Fries, state director of the war tax savings committee, will hold a conference with state business and newspaper men here today and tomorrow. The meeting called for today is a most important one in that it is designated to bring together in conference with the state director and the governor of the state all departments of State in the dissemination of thrift and the inculcation of saving by means of war savings certificates. It will also draw into conference the leaders of the correlated interests that have been or will be used by the government, such as the heads of the council of defense, the Red Cross and liberty loan committees, the ladies organizations, etc. All committees and county chairmen will be named by the secretary of the treasury direct from Washington.

FRENCH BEAT OFF ATTACKS

(By United Press.) Paris, Nov. 23.—German counter attacks on positions newly won by the French on the eastern end of the Chemin des Dames were repulsed according to an official statement. Artillerying is reported active around Comy and Juvincourt. An artillery duel is in progress on the right bank of the Meuse. German raids around Rheims and in the Champagne district have failed.

MANY TRADES IN PLANE BUILDING

(BY UNITED PRESS) London, Nov. 23.—If you can make the dots on dominoes, put the nicks in penknife blades or, above all, built organs, you are qualified to enter the trifling business of building aeroplanes. At least that seems to be the moarl of a recent speech by L. A. Legros, late president of the Automobile Engineers' Institute. "Acroplane workers," he said, "have been recruited from every class and trade I have heard of one who used to make the dots on

BIG MEETING LAST NIGHT

A love feast took the place of a dry business like meeting of the town fathers, and compliments were bandied in the greatest good humor, and made the men, who have the administration of the affairs of the town, think that in reality the people had finally gotten together with a will, and in fact it was frequently mentioned on the street this morning that it was the first really interesting meeting for a long time.

If the meeting did nothing else it proved to the people that their direct interest in town affairs is vital at all times, and that, regardless of whatever difficulty may arise, the get-together principle was the right one to pursue at all times.

One other fact brought out at the meeting was that there was no enmity in the acts that had led to investigation, and that personal feeling did not enter into the matter at all.

Fully one hundred citizens were present at the meeting and several of them spoke complimentary of the administration of the present board, and the work it was accomplishing; replying the mayor voiced the sentiments of the commissioners in stating that it had ever been an united body and solely working for the betterment of the town, and the improvement of conditions.

Following the open meeting the commissioners continued their business, and made the following orders:

That the three drinking fountains should be left to Superintendent Mills to place on the three Main street blocks as soon as he was able to do so.

That those who had not yet taken advantage of the discount in paying town taxes should be invited to do so during the few remaining days in which the two per cent would be allowed, as commencing December 1, no discount would be allowed after that date.

That a day extra be allowed for fireworks this year, but the ordinance of last year should be in the main, effective, in that no fireworks should be fired within the town limits during the day time, from 6 a. m. to 6 p. m., except on Christmas day when all day is allowed. The date is from Dec. 20 to Dec. 26, except on Sunday when it is forbidden. As before, special license must be obtained by the dealers, and for violation the fine is \$3.00.

Upon request of the commissioners the mayor withdrew his resignation.

dominoes and of another who put the nicks in penknife blades. In the erection of aeroplanes, the organ-builder stands head and shoulders above everyone else

TROTSKY HAS SECRET PAPERS

(By United Press.) Petrograd, Nov. 23.—Trotsky announced that he possessed the secret correspondence and proposes to publish the same at once.

ALIENS BARRED HIGH BUILDINGS

(By United Press.) New York, Nov. 23.—Germans are prohibited from entering skyscrapers under an order issued by United States Marshal McCarthy. This is intended to prevent the enemy aliens from using buildings as vantage points from which to view shipping in the harbor.

SPIES POSE AS ENG. OFFICERS

(By UNITED PRESS) New York, Nov. 23.—British officials have a list of fifty imposters in this country posing as British army men of rank. They state that one of these was accepted as genuine and sat in the reviewing stands during the recent parades.

FRIENDLY FOG AIDS FRENCH

(By United Press.) With the French Armies Afeld, Nov. 23.—A friendly fog gave the French an opportunity for a surprise blow on Wednesday that knocked another chunk off the German hold on northern France.

The attack was on the eastern end of Chemin des Dames and south of Jousineourt.

The victory wiped out some troublesome salients along the front where the Germans had been harrassing the French lines.

GREECE WAKING TO WAR ACTION

(By United Press) Athens, Nov. 23.—(Delayed.)—Stronger measures for suppression of the persistent underhand agitation carried on by adherents of former King Constantine are being taken. By order of court-martial, 100 persons of all classes arrested today will be deported to a Green island. Among them are 15 Germans, the editor of Script Notorius, a pro-German organ and several army officers. The government is determined to stamp out anti-patriotic propaganda.

Washington, Nov. 2.—Greece is rapidly preparing to take her part in the war. A cablegram received here today from Athens via Switzerland, says many new divisions of Greek troops, swiftly formed, have taken their places at the front. The morale of the new troops is declared to be excellent.

Miss Lillian Harrell and Mr. Alison McDowell can be seen tonight at the Dixie in "Winning a widow."

GERMAN PEACE TO RUSSIA

(By UNITED PRESS) Stockholm, Nov. 23.—Russian diplomats carry a peace offer from the central powers to the Bolsheviks at Petrograd.

JULIAN BYNG PROMOTED

(By UNITED PRESS) London, Nov. 23.—The war office announces Sir Julian Byng has been promoted from lieutenant general to the full rank of general in recognition of his success in operations around Cambrai.

PRISONERS MORE ALLIED LOSS

(By United Press.) With the British Armies Afeld, Nov. 23.—The British master stroke against Cambrai was carried through with small casualties, the list of German prisoners taken exceeding by thousands the whole of the British losses of killed, wounded and missing.

CAPPS LEAVES FLEET BOARD

(By United Press) Washington, Nov. 23.—Rear Admiral W. T. Capps, general manager of the emergency fleet corporation, will retire because of ill health. His physician orders complete rest. The report that another Denman-Goethals row as between Capps and Hurley was denied by the navy department and also at Hurley's office.

EAGLE ROCK FIRE SERIOUS

(BY UNITED PRESS) Richmond, Nov. 23.—A Roanoke special says that Eagle Rock, Va., was completely destroyed by fire today, with heavy loss.

PENN. CAMPAIGN SAFETY FIRST.

(By United Press.) Harrisburg, Pa., Nov. 23.—Further conservation of "man power" is the aim of a "winter drive" by safety-first workers which Dr. John Price Jackson, Pennsylvania's state commissioner of labor and industry, has launched. Commissioner Jackson, citing the national need, has ordered every employe of his huge department "to go on the stump" personally for safety first. Additional safety-first rallies at large plants, rapid-fire noonday talks while the workers are lunching, addresses at individual associations and the like are all a part of Jackson's supplementary program.

State officials believe the new plan will further reduce the annual number of accidents. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harden left this morning for Ahsokie.

BRITISH SWITCH BATTLE LINE IN YPRES

ENEMY FEARFUL OF THE CAPTURE OF CAMBRAI STRIP THE CITY OF STORES WHILE BRITISH ARE STILL THREE MILES AWAY.

FIGHTING CONTINUES OF GREAT INTENSITY

ITALIANS NOW OPTOMISTIC

(BY UNITED PRESS) Rome, Nov. 23.—The most optimistic view of the Italian situation since Diaz forces took the stand along the Piave river are now expressed in Rome.

The firm hold of the last few days and more than decisive victory has completely restored confidence.

Allied troops, will, it is officially announced, be in action shortly. British artillery has been aiding for more than a week.

NEW MINISTRY SOON CRUMBLES

(By United Press.) Petrograd, Nov. 23.—The Bolshevik ministry is crumbling and famine is stalking nearer the capital.

Daily rations are again reduced. The Kerensky food ministry remains adamant refusing the recognition of the Bolshevik government.

Eleven Bolshevik ministers have already resigned. Admiral Verdervjisky minister of marine being the latest. Captain Ivanoff being appointed his successor.

A conference at general headquarters adopted resolutions favoring a new all socialist government which will include Bolsheviks and Maximilists and be under Tschernoff as premier.

London, Nov. 23.—Bolshevik government announces that the 1899 class of the army will be released from service immediately, and other demobilization take place later.

CIVIL EXPERTS WERE IN SESSION YESTERDAY

(By UNITED PRESS) Detroit, Nov. 23.—Civic experts from every part of the United States were in Detroit yesterday to attend the convention of National Municipal League and the City Managers Association, both of which opened their sessions here this morning.

Feeding of cities in war time will be the dominant topic throughout the Municipal League Convention. George W. Perkins, chairman of the New York Market commission, is to address the assembly on state organization for food supply. He will tell of the advisability of aligning women in the conservation movement. Marcus N. Marks, President of Manhattan, will talk on retail and wholesale markets.

A food administration representative will talk on "How Cities Can Effectively Assist in the Food Crisis."

London, Nov. 23.—General Haig, commanding the British forces in Flanders, has switched his battle line from the Ypres sector last night.

Troops advanced the line to Vihy, southeast of the city.

The Germans are already stripping Cambrai of military stores as the British and Teuton armies are locked in violent grips three miles from the city's outskirts, where the British are feeling the full strength of the heavy German reinforcements.

General Byng has repelled every counter attack by digging in on every inch of reclaimed ground.

The boches have recaptured Fontaine Notre Dame.

Fighting of the most violent intensity is reported in this sector last night and the village may once again have changed hands.

FIVE GERMAN DIVISIONS HIT

(By United Press.) London, Nov. 23.—Four German divisions were badly crippled and that a fifth, just from the Russian front, was hard hit in the recent British victory around Cambrai. The advance was so deep that villages were taken with their civilian populations, so complete was the surprise.

The tank commander signaled, "England expects every tank today to do its damndest." It is feared that the rain will impede our cavalry end.

NO R. R. STRIKE DURING WAR

(By United Press.) Washington, Nov. 23.—There will be no nation wide railroad strike during the war.

This guarantee and a compensatory promise to the employes for wage demands, if not excessive, will be granted. This is the result of the presidents conference with the heads of the brotherhood and is the announcement the United Press is authorized to make.

Don't fail to attend the local talent play tonight.

COTTON MARKET

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	27.88	29.15	27.80	29.05
Jan.	27.35	28.63	27.29	28.52
Mar.	27.08	28.32	26.99	28.29
May	26.92	28.18	26.82	28.02
July	26.63	27.89	26.54	27.77

Local Market 27 1/4 cents.
COTTONSEED MARKET.
1.11 per bushel in wagon lots.