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AUSTRO-HUNGARY NOW ANXIOUS FOR PEACE

SPECIAL EMISSARY FROM THE DUAL EMPIRE VISITED IN LONDON TO FIND OUT ALLIES STANDPOINT ON VITAL GOVERNMENTAL QUESTIONS

GERMAN PEACE FEELERS HAVE FAILED

(By United Press)
London June 28.--The German attempt to throw out peace feelers via Switzerland, has failed, dispatches from Zurich reported.

These dispatches state that Austria-Hungary, through an unofficial representative, has during the past few days attempted to discover the allies standpoint regarding important questions. This emissary failed to return to Vienna.

SIX SURVIVORS FROM SUNK SHIP

Halifax, N. S., June 28.--A boat load of survivors from a ship torpedoed and sunk by German submarines off the American coast was landed near Philbourn by a fishing smack.

The six survivors were found drifting sixty miles off Sea Island

GERMANS WANT AUSTRO CONTROL

Washington June 28.--Complete control of the Austrian armies will be demanded by Germany as a result of the Austrian defeat along the Piave, Rome advices to the Italian embassy state.

It is stated that the German papers and people are bitter against Austria as the result of her failure to overwhelm the Italians.

DRIVE READY TO BURST FORTH

Washington June 28.--Information reaching the war department circles to the effect that the expected Teutonic offensive on the west front is ready to burst forth again.

This offensive is apparently being hastened by the Austrian failure in Italy and likewise on account of von Kuehlmann's recent remarks which have cast doubt upon military leaders.

SUFFRAGE WILL ORGANIZE FORCES

Washington June 28.--A forced retreat in the face of great odds the senate suffrage leaders are thinking of surrendering.

They are already at work lining up the votes to pass their suffrage amendment in spite of the powerful opposition which yesterday forced them to defer action.

The only way the suffragists can win is to convert two more senators to the suffrage movement. This looks impossible but the suffragists do not despair.

ARMY LOSSES WERE 56 MEN

(By United Press)
Washington June 28.--The army casualties yesterday contain the names of fifty six men, of which twenty four were killed in action four died of wounds, three died of disease, twenty two were wounded severely, two to a degree undetermined and one made prisoner.

Corporal T. E. Peden, of Gray Fort, S. C., was killed in action; Sergeant F. A. Glegger, of Carrie Va., died of wounds and A. L. Grubbs, of Berkeley Spring, W. Va., died of disease.

"FREE SLAVS FROM GERMAN AUSTRIAN RULE"

(By United Press)
Washington June 28.--All branches of the Slav race should be completely freed from Prussian, German and Austrian rule. This is a declaration of the United States government made today thru Secretary of State Lansing.

HERTLING CALLED TO HEADQUARTER

Copenhagen, June 28.--Imperial Chancellor Hertling has been called to German headquarters for an important conference, according to reports received here today.

This news follows word from Berlin that Foreign Minister von Kuehlmann will probably resign his office, at least he will remain until the Russian peace and eastern question, of which he is the author, is cleared up.

ALL STORES CLOSE TODAY AT 5.30

IN KEEPING WITH THE DAY AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE EXERCISES WHICH REQUIRE EVERYONE TO TAKE PART MERCHANTS CLOSE.

WOODMAN BAND WILL PRECEDE PARADE

Every good and worthy movement proposed in Scotland Neck has ever received the hearty support of the merchants of the town, so that the fact that all the stores will close at five thirty this afternoon in order that all may participate in the exercise at the school house may not surprise anyone, but it is nevertheless very commendable.

All the children will be gathered outside the Dixie theatre and at half past five, or shortly after, they will follow the Woodman band, which will take up the line of march to the school building. This is the first real outing of the band, and it participates in a most patriotic event. It is also expected that the men of the town will follow in the parade.

Hon. Tasker Polk, of Warrenton of whom there can be none better to deliver the patriotic address on

MARINES HAVE 50 CASUALTIES

(By United Press)
Washington June 28.--A marine casualty list of fifty men is reported today by the navy department. Seventeen were killed in action seven died of wounds and twenty six were severely wounded.

DUPREE SHIELDS LIKES HOME PAPER

I sure do enjoy reading the home paper, although I am a long way from home I feel as if it might be very near when I have the paper to read I look forward to its coming every day. It is real winter weather up here but I am feeling fine and getting plenty to eat. Will be in camp only nine more days.

Dupree Shields
Co. V. 5th. Battalion
Plattsburg Training Camp
Plattsburg, N. Y.

DRAWING HAPPENED YESTERDAY

Drawing of the twenty one year old men, known as the draft of 1918, took place yesterday in Washington, but we have no opportunity of giving information as to where the various 304 draftees of Halifax county stand in that drawing until the local board at Weldon receives the information from Washington, which it is now waiting for and as soon as advice comes the names and the numbers will be given in the Commonwealth. There are about 304 Halifax men affected by the draft.

BOLSHEVIKI OVERTHROWN IN MOSCOW

LENINE, TROTSKY, BOLSHEVIKI GENERALS AND ALL THE GERMANS IN THE CITY ARE SAID TO HAVE FLED TO PLACES OF SAFETY.

NICHOLAI MIKOLOWITCH MADE EMPEROR

NEWS FROM THE STATE CAPITAL

(By Maxwell Gorman)
Raleigh, N. C. June 28.--State wide interest in manifested in the fight over the democratic primary nomination in the third congressional district between Abernathy and Dortch.

Abernathy carried six of the nine counties of the district and he has been greatly disappointed in the result as declared by the board of elections, which gave the nomination to Dortch by 188 majority, as indicated by the returns officially sent to the board. Dortch's friends claim they are absolutely correct.

Abernathy's injunction (which he secured recently) against the board of elections will be heard by Judge Calvert here July 9. By this proceeding Abernathy seeks to restrain the board from placing Dortch's name on the official democratic tickets to be sent out by the board and voted in the November elections.

Failing in this, if he should, there is the prediction that he will run independently, on the claim that he is the choice of the district democrats. But Mr. Abernathy, nor any one authorized to speak for him, has not stated any such thing, and the "prediction" may eventuate in nothing of the kind.

But you can't always tell, you know.

Reports received here indicate that over North Carolina the people-the "common people, if you please (and what would this war be to us if it were not for the plain and "common people?)- are taking hold of the war savings stamp drive this week, with hearty good will and ardent patriotism.

Many people could not buy a Liberty Bond but they can buy \$5 worth of savings stamps at the time (for \$4.17 this month and a penny or more each succeeding month) and the aggregate is going to contribute immensely towards meeting the expenses necessary to the winning of the war for democracy and decency and civilization.

Americans at this writing have more cause to be optimistic of the final results than ever before with the Austrians on the run back across the Piave river, and the enemy on the French front blocked to a stand-still.

Germany was exactly right a year ago when it said, "the side with the biggest and last reserves would win." The United States is there with the goods-900,000 soldiers in France to-day, and will have two millions there in January.

KERENSKY LEFT TODAY FOR PARIS

London June 28.--Alexander Kerensky, the former Russian premier left today for Paris.

(By United Press)
Stockholm June 28.--A Petrograd telegram gives a published report that the Bolsheviki has been overthrown in Moscow which was occupied by Kaledine, Korniloff and the Germans.

Premier Lenine and Minister Trotsky, with the Germans are said to have fled, and Nicholai Mikoiowitch made emperor.

The German authorities in Finland have no confirmation. These rumors have been received here with the greatest interest.

GERMANS LOSE 1200 MEN

(By United Press)
With the Americans along the Marne June 28.--(2:25) The number of Germans killed and wounded on Tuesday night in the battle in Balleau woods was between 1100 and 1200 men, according to the checking up of official reports.

The Americans prevented the Boches from fleeing from the woods.

RUSSIAN CZAR REPORTED DEAD

(By United Press)
London June 28.--The first announcement approaching an official confirmation of the death of Nicholas Romanoff former Czar of Russia appeared today.

Frank Furler, of the Zeitung, according to an exchange Telegraph Copenhagen correspondent declared that Foreign Minister Teltchesin wired from Moscow that the former Czar, Nicholas, had been killed.

Amsterdam June 28.--The Wolff agency announces that it learns from Russia that the former Czar has been murdered.

He was leaving Kraterinburg at the time that the Czeo-Slavs forces captured the town.

Washington June 28.--The family of the Russian Czar was taken at Peruse according to a German wireless picked up by the state department.

The message asserted that the rumor of the Czars assassination at Ekaterinburg is widespread and quoted in the Ukraine papers saying that he was killed by the Red Guards as the result of a personal quarrel.

* COTTON MARKET *				
	Open	High	Low	Close
July	28.02	28.10	27.60	28.10
Oct	25.07	25.37	25.07	25.37
Dec	24.60	24.88	24.60	24.88
Jan	24.52	24.77	24.52	24.77
Mar	24.46	24.50	24.46	24.50

Local Market Nominal