

UNCLE SAM'S NAT. GUARD READY TO GO

FOOD BILL AT LAST GOES TO CONFERENCE

Partisanship Was Suddenly Wiped Out on Floor of House.
CANNON JOINED WITH DEMOCRATS
As Did Other Republicans in Voting For Conference Report—Conferees Not to Agree to Senate Amendment on Joint Body to Handle Food Situation.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 25.—The Administration Food Control bill was sent to conference in the House today under a rule without a record vote. Opposition which developed yesterday disappeared.
The House conferees were instructed only to disagree to all Senate amendments. Defeat of the Senate amendment to debate a joint congressional war expenditures committee, disapproved by the President, was presaged by this action.
The fight against sending the bill to conference without separate vote on the amendment, to which the President objects, begun yesterday by Republican Leader Mann, completely flattened out.
Thirty-one Republicans joined 138 Democrats in voting for the previous question on the rule, adoption of which eliminated all debate, and only 101 Republicans voted against it.
On the motion to adopt the rule Democrats cast a solid affirmative vote and less than a half dozen negative votes, all from the Republican side of the House.
Senators Gore, chairman of the Senate Agriculture committee, arranged with Representative Lever for the first meeting of the conference tomorrow morning. Before the rule for immediate action was brought in Republican Leader Mann had refused unanimous consent to send the bill to conference. Amid thunderous applause from floor and galleries Acting Chairman Garrett, of the Rules committee, offered the rule and denounced those who were delaying action. The demand for the previous question followed quickly and threw the Republicans into the greatest astonishment.
Heated demands were made by Representative Campbell of Kansas, to know if it was the intention to prevent debate. It was, he was advised, Republicans were hurriedly ordered into their seats to vote against the previous question, but when 31 of them, including former Speaker Cannon, voted with the Democrats, it was obvious that attempts to make a partisan fight were useless.

ORDERS ANGOLA OFFICE DISCONTINUED

(By Geo. H. Manning.)
Washington, D. C., July 25.—The Postoffice Department has ordered the postoffice at Angola, Onslow county, and Springer, Pender county, N. C., discontinued July 31st.
Mail for Angola will go to Maple Hill and mail for Springer to Maple Hill.

WONT LIMIT WORK TO THE BALKANS

(By Associated Press.)
Paris, July 25.—The laborers of the allied conference will not be limited to the Balkans. For one thing it is impossible to clear the air after the Reichstag's action last week. Already Premier Lloyd-George has already replied to a certain extent to the speech of Chancellor Michaelis. It is desirable, says The Matin, that the allies should issue a joint statement which would be a basis for peace negotiations.
This explanation, adds The Matin, will be principally addressed to the people of Austria and Hungary. There is no risk of Russian revolution.

RUSSIAN ARMIES CONTINUE TO RIN BEFORE GERMANS

Let Reports From Petrograd Are Not at All Pessimistic About It.

TEUTONS CAN'T PUSH STRONG OFFENSIVE Admit Haven't Men to Spare For Attack on Large Scale. French Make Brilliant Move.

Russia's shaken armies in Galicia are still in a retreat, which bids fair not to end until they reach approximately the line occupied by them last year, before General Brussiloff began his big offensive.
Despite this extensive retrograde movement covering virtually all the front between the north Galician border and the Carpathian foothills, the tone of both official and unofficial dispatches coming out of Petrograd is not pessimistic.
There is apparent confidence that the disorganization in the ranks, induced by the machinations of the extremists and believed to have been largely promoted by German intrigue, will be adequately dealt with and a firm front again be presented to the enemy.
For one thing, the Germans, by their own admission, have not the men to spare to prosecute a sustained offensive on a large scale on the eastern front. The British and the French are keeping them too busy and they are too apprehensive of some extra forceful stroke in the west to transfer any great number of troops from the Franco-Belgian war area.
For another, the Russians have big reserves of men, and Premier Kerensky will find it possible, it is believed, to weed out the disloyal elements rapidly from the front ranks and replace them with the hosts of dependable troops which Russia still possesses.
The inherent strength of the entente position in the west has just received a fresh illustration on the Aisne front. Here the French have just emerged victorious in a long-drawn-out struggle with the Germans for possession of the important high ground in the Craonne region.
Yesterday's brilliant attack gave General Petain's troops renewed possession, in almost complete measure, of the slight-area gained by the Crown Prince in his costly series of attacks. The French even pushed beyond their old line at some points. This morning came the test of the German reaction. It was directed against the positions recaptured by the French on the California plateau, bombardment being entirely futile, the French retaining their own ground and consolidating their gains.
The path of the Russian retreat in Galicia is traced in today's German official statement reporting the occupation of Tarnopol by the Austro-German forces, which down near the Dniester are nearing Bucsuac and still further south have occupied Stanislaw and Nadverna. The last-named town is on the edge of the Carpa-

BLAZE DISCOVERED IN MILLION DOLLAR HOTEL

(By Associated Press.)
New York, July 25.—Fire apparatus in many Long Island towns was rushed to Long Beach, a fashionable summer resort, today to fight a blaze in the million dollar Hotel Nassau. The flames were confined to the basement and part of the lower floor, but spread to the boardwalk and destroyed a section of this structure, which parallels the bathing beach.
Hundreds of patrons fled from the hotel and were sheltered in cottages. Several women were slightly injured. The property loss was estimated at upwards of \$30,000.

SAYS GERMANY ON THRESHOLD OF VICTORY

(By Associated Press.)
Copenhagen, July 25.—Replying to greetings of pan-German meeting Admiral Speer, commander of the fleet, said he hoped the German people, on the threshold of victory, would not disgracefully renounce its future.

LUTHER BURBANK'S CONDITION IMPROVED

(By Associated Press.)
Santa Rosa, Cal., July 25.—The condition of Luther Burbank, who is suffering from an inflamed appendix, continued to show improvement today, according to his physician.

SCORES OF WORKMEN KILLED.

(By Associated Press.)
Halifax, N. S., July 25.—Eighty workmen were killed today in an explosion at No. 6 mine of the Dominion Coal Company, at New Waterford, N. B., according to advices received here from Sydney. Twelve bodies had been recovered at noon.

HON. E. J. JUSTICE DROPS DEAD.

(By Associated Press.)
San Francisco, July 25.—Edwin J. Justice, of Greensboro, N. C., special assistant attorney to Attorney General Gregory, dropped dead in his office here today. He had been on the coast for two years prosecuting the government oil cases under the Taft withdrawal act. Justice was formerly a member of the North Carolina Legislature.

TO MUZZLE THE BIG AGITATOR

Russian Government to Shoot or Isolate Nikolai Lenin.

(By Associated Press.)
New York, July 25.—Information that the Russian provisional government has decided to terminate the apparent pro-German activities of Nikolai Lenin, the radical Socialist leader, by arresting him and many of his followers, has reached the Russian Information Bureau here. These advices indicate Lenin probably will be shot if he is convicted as a spy working in the interest of Germany, but that if not convicted he will be isolated during the war. So far as information received by the bureau shows no evidence has been uncovered in Petrograd to confirm the statements implicating Lenin as an agent of the German general staff. News dispatches of recent date have variously reported Lenin to be under arrest and to have escaped to Kronstadt disguised as a sailor.
Lenin is regarded by the Russian information bureau as a man with a record which before the revolution commanded respect throughout his country. His articles on agrarian economics and scientific problems won him high place in the estimation of Socialists and scientists alike. In connection with his believed pro-German activities documents declared to have been found recently in the records of the former Emperor Nicholas' department of police are regarded by Russians as significant. These documents show, according to information here, that while a Socialist named Malinovsky was leader of the Social Democratic faction of the third duma, about 5 years ago, he was on the payroll of the Emperor's police.
Presumably leader of the opposition and elected by the workers to represent them, he was in reality, according to this purported evidence, acting for the Emperor, as an agent secretly paid to confuse and disrupt the opposition. Russians here recall that Malinovsky at that time was known as Lenin's duplicity is said to have strengthened the provisional government's suspicion that Lenin and his followers are in one way or another connected with the German spies known to have invaded Russia since the revolution. These are estimated here to number tens of thousands.

SHIPPING BOARD BEING REFORMED

In Full Swing Today Following President Wilson's Action Yesterday.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 25.—Reorganization of the Shipping Board and the Emergency Fleet Corporation was in full swing today following President Wilson's acceptance of the resignations of Chairman Denman and Major General Goethals and the end of the row which long has delayed the ship building program.
The Senate Commerce Committee quickly recommended confirmation of Edward N. Hurley, of Chicago, as the new chairman, but action was delayed on the nomination of Bainbridge Colby for member of the board to succeed Captain John B. White. Senator Wadsworth and Calder, of New York, requested the delay. Mr. Colby has been prominent in the progressive party in New York. Administration leaders, however, expect no serious opposition to Mr. Colby.
Acting Chairman Brent today also offered his resignation, but the President took no action on it. Mr. Brent was a supporter of Chairman Denman.
Senator Calder said the fact that he and his colleague had asked that action on Mr. Colby's nomination be withheld for the present did not necessarily mean that a fight against his appointment would be made. The New York Senators desire to make some inquiry regarding his political standing and whether the low creating the shipping board provides for a minority member.

DRAFT GLASS BOWL IN INDEPENDENCE HALL

(By Associated Press.)
Philadelphia, July 25.—The glass bowl from which 25,500 capsules containing the National Army numbers were drawn in Washington last Friday, is to be added to the historic collection at Independence Hall.

FIVE KILLED ON AMERICAN SUB. AND THREE HURT

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 25.—An explosion yesterday on the submarine A-7 at Cavite, Philippine Island, killed five and injured three of the officers and crew.
The dead, as reported today in official dispatches are: Lieut. Junior Grade Arnold Marcus; Machinists Mate, first class, H. H. Lang; Gunners mate, second class, O. Hopewell; Chief Electrician, J. M. Curry; Machinist's mate, K. A. Kunz.
Following are the injured: Burns on the waist and arms, Chief Electrician Scharlin, Fireman, second class, A. M. Jacobs; Machinists mate, second class, J. P. Hixon.
The cause of the explosion from a preliminary examination appeared to be due to the ignition of gas within the ship. The cause of the ignition of these fumes has not been reported.

RUSSIAN WOMEN ON FIRING LINE

Were In Action at the Front at Krevo and Suffered Losses.
(By Associated Press.)
Petrograd, July 25.—The Russian Women's Battalion, raised by the twice-wounded girl officer, Vera Butchikareff, was in action on the front at Krevo yesterday for the first time. They are reported to have been successful, although the battalion suffered some losses, the extent of which is not yet known. The Novoe Vremya correspondent at the front reports that the women behaved in an exemplary way, gaining the respect of the men soldiers.

ADMITS SPEECH WAS SHALLOW

Confirmation of Lloyd-George Comes From German Source.
(By Associated Press.)
Copenhagen, July 25.—Premier Lloyd-George's skepticism regarding Chancellor Michaelis' good faith, his doubts whether the chancellor's reply to the Reichstag resolution really means what it pretends to mean, his belief that the reference of peace profession, statement as security to frontiers, capable of being extended at will to cover the absorption of Belgium and any other desired annexations, received unexpected justification and corroboration from German sources in the growing frankness of criticism which the defunct Zukunft might envy. It was declared yesterday that Chancellor Michaelis' speech was ambiguous and open to two interpretations which Lloyd-George mentioned. It was added that the policy of silence of political allies inaugurated by ex-Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg and continued by Herr Michaelis had laid the German policy open to that dubious repute which Lloyd-George criticized.
His picture of German parliamentarism, under the formula of Herr Michaelis, but it contains enough truth to serve as a warning to the German people.
The Berlin Tageblatt re-prints the full text of Lloyd-George's reply to the German Chancellor, explaining that this is advisable because remarkable errors of distortion and omission in the sense desired by the government crept into summaries of earlier declarations from the opponent camp which were supplied by the semi-official Wolff News Bureau. The Kreuz-Zeitung, under fire of the radical papers, slightly modified but did not revoke statements about the government's war policy. No official declaration was made.

PERSHING VISITED THE FRENCH FRONT

(By Associated Press.)
Paris, July 25.—General Pershing, accompanied by General Joffre, yesterday visited the French front, and reviewed incidentally one of the most famous battlefields of the war, which figured in the 14th of July review in Paris. General Pershing expressed high admiration of the dash and smartness of the men.

SHORT MEN WILL HAVE CHANCE TO FIGHT

(By Associated Press.)
Rome, July 25.—Short men will have a chance to fight after August under a new decree which reduces the minimum height by four inches. It affects 100,000 men whose height heretofore has been a bar to enlistment.

GERMAN COAL SHIP TORPEDOED.

(By Associated Press.)
Amsterdam, July 25.—The Handelsblad reports that the German steamship Norderey, with a cargo of coal, was torpedoed in the North sea on Monday. She is aground off the south coast of Texel, Frisian Islands.

TROOPS NOW GETTING READY FOR THE WORK IN THE GREAT CLASH

RACE BETWEEN STATES NOW ON FOR FIRST PLACE

Each Trying to See Which Can Get Men In Service First.

MEANWHILE DETAILS BEING WORKED OUT

No Information at Hand as Yet About Second Draft Being Necessary Within The Year.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 25.—The race between the States for the honor of being the first to call their quotas under the selective draft bill was on today in earnest. Calling up men for physical examination began this morning in several regions.
Meanwhile, details of the machinery for actually calling the accepted men into service and sending them to their mobilization camps are being worked out. Provost Marshal General Crowder has already ruled that the claim of the army attaches to any registered man as soon as the local selection board has posted him as accepted. From that time on, unless exempted, he will be subject to military law and the articles of war. Failure to appear when called will bring the military forces of the provost marshal general in search of the missing man and he will be tried for any violation of Regulation before court martial.
It appears probable that the accepted men will be first assembled in their selection board headquarters. The distribution among the 16 cantonments, General Crowder said today, would be governed by the section of the law requiring that they be as with troops from their own State, and the location of the nearest cantonment to reduce the transportation problems as much as possible.
No information has reached General Crowder indicating that there will be any need to summon a second draft in addition to the 667,000 men now called for, during the present year. Estimates to cover expenses of the second increment have been submitted, it was pointed out, because all these expenditures must be made in advance of a call, to have equipment and quarters ready, or the funds must be actually on hand when the call is made.
With physical examinations actually in progress, the record of the draft during the war between the States becomes interesting. At that time 25.77 per cent of the men called were rejected for physical defects. There is no reason to expect, it is said, any material increase in that factor.
Exemptions for industrial or similar reasons, as well as exemptions because of dependent relatives, enter an unexplored field.

DECLARE SUBMARINES DID ATTACK U. S. SHIPS.

(By Associated Press.)
Halifax, N. S., July 25.—British sailors arriving here today who claim to have been among crews of vessels in the vicinity of the transports which conveyed the first American troops to France, say they were credibly informed that German submarines made a concentrated attack of six U-boats, only one submarine escaping.
The sailors said they were within three miles of the transports and witnessed heavy and continuous firing. The men were on three former Dutch vessels which had been taken over by the British government, and were on their way to Europe.

National Guardsmen Assembling Today Throughout the Big Country.

WILL SOON MOVE TO THE REGULAR CAMPS
North Carolina Mustering In Seven Thousand Men Today—Will Have More Before Time to Go In Camp—Other States Responding.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 25.—The second increment of National Guard troops was called into the Federal service today. All troops from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Illinois, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Washington and Oregon come in under President Wilson's recent proclamation, preparatory to mobilization in Southern training camps to be equipped and outfitted for duty in France.
The remainder of the State forces will be taken in August 5, when the draft clause of the National Defense Act will be applied to the entire force and the guardsmen will cease to have any connection with the State authorities for the period of the war.
The first increment, which includes the New York and Pennsylvania divisions, was called out July 15, and has been held at State armories for preliminary equipment or started south to the training camps. After August 5 there will be no constitutional or other legal barrier to the immediate transportation of guard organizations to France.
South Carolina Troops Assemble.
Columbia, S. C., July 25.—Units of the South Carolina National Guard not already in Federal service assembled at their respective armories today in accordance with an order issued some days ago by the adjutant general, W. W. Moore. On August 5, the mobilization will be completed when the troops assemble at Greenville for a period of training. The first South Carolina regiment has been in Federal service for some months and was not affected by the recent order of mobilization. Under the command of Colonel F. K. McQuilly, it is now stationed at Camp Sevier, at Greenville.

Warlike Scenes in Richmond.

Richmond, Va., July 25.—Mobilization of the first battalion, first Virginia Infantry, caused warlike scenes here today. The battalion, known as the Richmond Grays, numbers 600 men. Lieutenant C. F. Morgan and C. W. Elliott, of the United States Army, have charge of mustering in the men. Other commands await mobilization. The Richmond Howitzers, a famous organization, and squadron "A," first Virginia cavalry, formerly the Richmond Blues, are already in the Federal service.
Mobilization has stimulated recruiting. Young men rushed to recruiting stations throughout the State today to join the colors.

Will Go To Charlotte.

Boston, Mass., July 25.—Forty thousand National Guardsmen were mobilized in the New England States today, preparatory to being drafted into the Federal service. Several thousand men already are in the service. The others gathered at armories and temporary camps today. Brigadier General Clarence R. Edwards, in command of the Department of the Northeast, said that transportation to the training camp at Charlotte, N. C., already had been arranged for and that it was probable the New England guardsmen would be ready to leave for the South by August 10.

Tennessee Guardsmen.

Nashville, Tenn., July 25.—Approximately 7,000 Tennessee National Guardsmen mobilized today preparatory to going into Federal service. They included the first, second and third regiments of infantry, the first regiment of field artillery, a squadron of cavalry and a company of negro guardsmen. Only the first Tennessee is in camp here. The companies of other units gathered at their home stations. In the list the second Tennessee.

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