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NORTHERN TROOPS MAY GO TO FRANCE

MANY NEW ENGLANDERS WILL
PROBABLY NOT COME SOUTH
TO TRAIN.

TWO DIVISIONS WILL GO SOON

Will Make Up First Contingent of National Guardsmen to Go Abroad From New England Who Will Train Six Weeks at Home.

Washington.—Two army divisions instead of one, comprising a total of at least 35,000 men, probably will make up the first contingent of the national guard to go to France.

Although no official confirmation was obtainable, there was evidence that the composite forty-second division whose organization recently was announced, will be accompanied abroad by the twenty-sixth, made up of New England guardsmen.

The commander of the twenty-sixth is Major General Clarence Edwards, now acting as commander of the department of the northeast. The forty-second is commanded by Major General W. A. Mann.

A report was current that sufficient shipping will be available for forwarding two divisions within the time fixed for the departure of the forty-second and that the twenty-sixth had been selected to go because it comes from a compact area and is composed largely of regiments of high rating, and representing states whose troops were left out of the composite division.

The forty-second division is being mobilized at Michigan under the new European standard, which requires that the strength of the individual infantry regiments be increased more than fifty per cent. The process necessitates the addition of some units not included in the original plan, but where the necessary units are available, they will be transferred to fill up the regiments selected to go. All the other national guard divisions will go through a similar process on arrival at divisional camps.

No list has been given as to the probable time it will require to prepare the forty-second for embarkation. The question of equipment also enters into the fixing of a sailing date. The same considerations apply also to the twenty-sixth.

The war department announced the final allotment of state troops among the national army contingents and made public the list of colonels assigned to regimental commands in the various divisions both of national army and national guard.

WILSON TO GIVE APPEAL OF POPE GRAVE ANALYSIS

May be Several Days Before Concrete Step is Taken.

Washington.—That the government is determined to give Pope Benedict's peace proposal the most deliberate and painstaking consideration before framing a reply was evinced again by developments both at the white house and the state department. The cabinet, holding its first session since the note arrived, avoided any general discussion of the subject because President Wilson is understood to feel that there must be a searching analysis of the questions raised before such a decision would be profitable.

Secretary Lansing and his advisers, on whom most of the responsibility for making this analysis will rest, continued their study of the pontiff's suggestions with every indication that it probably would be several days before any concrete step could be expected.

Meantime the undercurrent of official thought manifestly continued to trend toward a conviction that the great alliance will find some of the proposals in the vatican note very difficult to accept.

PLAN SEVEN BILLION DOLLAR LOAN FOR ALLIES

Washington.—Issuance of \$7,500,000,000 worth of four per cent federal bonds, subject only to income taxes, war profits and excess profit taxes, was authorized to provide \$4,000,000,000 for further allied loans and to reduce the \$3,500,000,000 non-taxable three and a half per cent issue now authorized to cover loans to the allies. It is contemplated in accordance with the plan announced by Secretary McAdoo to the house ways and means committee.

PACKETING ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOOD

Washington.—Federal officials are making arrangements for the packaging of foodstuffs for shipment to the front.

MISS SARAH FIELD SPLINT



A college education, several years experience as an editor of women's magazines, and a most engaging personality have fitted Miss Sarah Field Splint to be a valuable member of the food administration. She is one of the leading members of the publicity department.

NEW OFFICERS ARE NAMED

NOMINATIONS FOR NEW ARMY
INCLUDES OFFICERS OF REG-
ULARS AND GUARDS.

Regular Officers Will Probably Command Guard Divisions.—Seniority Rule Closely Followed.—New Tactical Units.

Washington.—Nominations of new officers for the national guard divisions are being made by the war department.

The list of general officers shows that the seniority rule has been followed closely except where men in line for promotion were found wanting by the board of officers, which made the recommendations. In the case of the selection of two major generals directed that two major qualifications govern the board—evidence during their army careers of skill in leading troops in action and in training soldiers.

The list of major generals takes in virtually all of the army brigadiers and includes the only two national guard officers of that rank, Generals O'Brian of New York and Clements of Pennsylvania.

These will be the first national guard troops to be sent to France. No discussion is permitted by the censorship regulations, however, of the time of their mobilization or departure for the front.

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Bring Your Tobacco to Farmville.

Farmville Tobacco Market Opened With Biggest Break in its History

QUARTER OF A MILLION POUNDS ON FLOORS TUESDAY.

The Quality of the Weed on the Opening was Very Poor, However, the Average Price Paid, Including Scrap, was Around \$27.50 to \$29.00 a Hundred.—Large Crowds in Attendance.

WHOLE AMERICAN ARMY REORGANIZED

EVERY UNIT IS MADE TO CON-
FORM WITH EUROPEAN ARMY
STANDARDS.

AT GEN. PERSHING'S REQUEST

Infantry Company Hereafter Will Have 250 Men Two Captains, Four Lieutenants to Provide Against Disorganization.

Washington.—Complete reorganization of all branches of the American army to conform with European standards as recommended by Major General Pershing, is provided for in army orders revealing that the recently announced divisional reorganization plan is to be carried down into the regimental and company ranks. The reorganizational plan of the infantry is to be carried out by the 1st and 2nd regiments of the 1st division, which are the only units of the army to have been reorganized.

The object of assigning two captains to each company, it is understood, is to provide against disorganization of the unit through the loss of its commander. The second captain, under the European system, does not go into battle line with the company if his senior is present. He is held as a reserve to reorganize the company if necessary. Under the new plan each regiment will have three battalions of four companies, making a total of 3,000 men. Supplemented by the regimental headquarters, supply and machine gun organizations, the strength of the new regiments will be brought up to approximately 3,800 men as against little more than 2,000 in existing war strength regiments.

Other Arms Not Changed.—The unit organization of the field artillery and other arms of the service has not been changed. As a result of reducing the number of regiments in a division, the division, instead of 28,000 men, will total hereafter about 19,000 men, 15,000 of them infantry.

The advantages of the system, in addition to the better adaptation of the divisional unit to trench warfare, lies chiefly in the reduction in overhead expense. One colonel and his regiment staff, including his three battalion commanders will now handle 3,000 men instead of a little more than 2,000.

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The Farmville tobacco market opened Tuesday with the biggest and best sales in its history, and even with a quarter of a million pounds on the floor, the market was not crowded, and the sales were not long before night.

In seasons past the amount of tobacco on the floor would have caused a riot, but with the many improved facilities for handling the weed together with the new factories built here since last season, the Farmville market could easily handle a good deal more than was in town on opening day without causing a riot.

The terms being here on the opening day since are all greatly in favor of the buyer, and the price paid, and the quality of the weed, are all at a high level.

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OLD NORTH STATE NEWS

Brief Notes Covering Happenings in This State That Are of Interest to All the People.

Arden is preparing for the biggest tobacco sale in her history. The market opens August 22.

Following a month's illness, Thomas Watts, a respected citizen of Taylorsville, died at the age of seventy years.

About twenty-six cryloads of lumber are being received daily at Camp Greene, Charlotte, which is about half of the needed daily supply.

First Lieut. Chas. Carry, ordnance officer's reserve, has been ordered to Charlotte to be assistant ordnance officer, Maj. Joel R. Lee is to be camp quartermaster.

Governor Bickett has taken a hand in securing the confirmation of his appointment of Maj. J. J. Bernard as Federal property and disbursing officer to succeed Maj. George L. Peterson and has wired from Harrisonville to the War Department to this effect.

The annual session of the North Carolina State Association of County Commissioners will convene at Raleigh on Monday, August 27.

Major W. E. Woodard, of the 1st division, is in charge of the 1st division at Farmville, N. C. He is a member of the 1st division, which is the only one of the army to have been reorganized.

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C. S. RICHARDS



President Wilson's export embargo proclamation made it necessary for the government to create machinery to carry out his orders. A division of export licenses in the department of commerce was formed with C. S. Richards of New York at its head. Mr. Richards is one of the "big business" volunteers who are giving their time and energies to the government in war time. He is export and import manager for one of the largest export firms in New York, and is exceptionally qualified for his work.

TO TAKE OVER WHEAT CROP

HOOVER PREPARES FOR ACTION
IF NECESSARY TO STABILIZE
FOOD PRICES.

Farm Fifty Million Dollar Corporation, With All Stock Held by Federal Government, to Buy and Sell Wheat at the Principal Terminals.

Washington.—The food administration has prepared to take over the entire 1917 wheat crop if necessary to stabilize the price throughout the year. It formed a fifty-million dollar corporation, with all of the stock held by the federal government to buy and sell wheat at the principal terminals.

The move was the first of a series to be taken to reduce the price of bread. Millers already have agreed to put themselves under voluntary regulations and are working out with the food administration a differential of profits. Distribution of flour by the wholesalers and the baking of bread will be taken up next.

In announcing formation of the wheat corporation, the food administration also has made known the personnel of committee which will fix a price to be paid for this year's wheat yield, and the names of thirteen men who will act as purchasing agents for the corporation at terminals.

The wheat corporation will be put under the administration's grain division. Its chairman will be Herbert Hoover and its president Julius Barnes, a Duluth exporter now serving as a voluntary aide in the food administration. The price-fixing committee will be headed by President Gerfield, of Williams college.

The wheat corporation will handle all allied grain purchases and will do the buying for the American government. The silos will be required to purchase flour instead of wheat on the theory that manufacturing costs will be reduced and American industry encouraged.

Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, OZONOL, TASTELICE-CHLORON, drives out malaria, builds up the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic for adults and children. See...

BIG WAR PROGRAM IS WELL ADVANCED

LEADERS EXPECT VACATION IN
SEPT. 15 OR OCTOBER FIRST
AT LEAST.

SOME NEW FINANCE BILLS

After Passage of Revenue Measure Congress Leaders Will Devote a Short Time to a Peace Debate or Resolution of LaFollette and Others.

Washington.—The legislative program of Congress has assumed such definite form that leaders expressed hope for a vacation about September 15 or not later than October 1. Included in the program for the period within the next three or four weeks are:

The \$2,000,000,000 war tax bill. A new war budget authorizing about \$7,500,000,000 in bonds, probably at four per cent for further loan to the allies and to retire the \$3,000,000,000 of 3-1/2 per cent bonds already authorized, and providing for \$2,000,000,000 worth of certificates of indebtedness and a like amount of small denominations war savings certificates.

Great New Appropriations. A new money appropriation measure aggregating between \$6,000,000,000 and \$7,000,000,000 now being prepared by the House appropriations committee.

The administration trading with the enemy bill, which passed the House July 11.

The administration insurance of soldiers and sailors bill. The Webb export trade bill, peace resolutions in the Senate, extension of the Espionage act and several minor measures.

Most of these measures leaders believe can be disposed of while the war tax bill is in conference. Should restrictive legislation develop against the LaFollette bill some time in the next few days, it will probably be passed before the adjournment.

It is believed that the war tax bill will be passed before the adjournment.

Immediately after passage of the revenue measure, Senate leaders plan to devote a short time to a peace debate, on resolutions of Senator LaFollette and others.

Administration and some republican leaders expect to overwhelmingly table pacifist proposals.

NOW PERFECTING PLANS FOR GREATER TROOP MOVEMENTS

Draft Armies of 487,000 Men to be Mobilized in Three Increments, the First September 5th.

Washington.—Plans for the most important troop movement ever attempted in this country involving the transportation of 487,000 men are being perfected by the American Railway Association at the request of the federal government, according to an announcement made here by Felix Harrison, chairman of the railroads war board.

"The movement of troops from the various states to the army cantonments will start September 5," said Mr. Harrison and between that date and September 1 the railroads will complete the entrainment of 200,000 men, approximately thirty per cent of the total number to be moved. "It is expected that a second movement of 200,000 men will begin September 15, continuing for four days and a third movement of the same size on October 5."

"Some conception of the task which confronts the association may be gleaned from the fact that 6,200 cars made up in 306 trains, with as many locomotives and train crews are required to one field army of 50,000."

"The railroads have also been asked to supply transportation for 350,000 soldiers at their training camps. This has at ready been started and will continue in increasing volume until all have been moved."

FORMER DEAR NOW EXILE IN GIBERIA

Petrograd.—It was officially announced that the residence of Nicholas Romanoff, the deposed Russian emperor is at Tobolsk, a western Siberian town which recently achieved a dubious publicity in revolutionary Russia as the birth place of Gregory Rasputin, the mystic monk who yielded a remarkable influence over the emperor's family up to the time of the emperor's assassination.

GENERAL DUVALL TO WOODS CHARLESTON PORT

Washington.—General officers to command the departments of the regular army relieving the major generals detailed to service with troops, were announced as follows:

Major Gen. Arthur C. MacArthur, western department; Major Gen. W. S. Duvall, southeastern department; Major Gen. John Blackman, southeastern department; Major Gen. John S. Blackman, southeastern department; Major Gen. W. S. Duvall, southeastern department; Major Gen. W. S. Duvall, southeastern department.

Fall Shoe and Boot Display at Farmville Shoe and Suit Company's Store, Aug. 27.

ON MONDAY, AUGUST 27th, we will have on display at our store the newest styles and creations of BOOTS and SHOES that will be shown this Fall. Everybody is cordially invited to attend this display, where they will have the opportunity to select anything they want in CORRECT FOOTWEAR. We will have an expert from one of the largest factories in the United States to demonstrate which will insure a perfect fit for every foot.

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Farmville, North Carolina.