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RUSSIA SUFFERS INTERNAL STRIFE

Fighting Against French Net
Crown Prince's Army Some
Slight Gains.

The taking over of the government of the great fortress of Kronstadt by the local council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates and strike outbreaks in many of the large munition factories of Petrograd indicate that the new provisional government of Russia is meeting with increased internal opposition.

Kronstadt, twenty miles west of Petrograd, is the main fortress guarding the Russian capital and is the main port of entry to the capital from the Baltic Sea. The workmen's and soldiers' delegates there not only have taken charge of the town, but have declared that they do not recognize the provisional government. The council announced that all relations between Kronstadt and Petrograd hereafter will be carried out only through the Petrograd branch of the workmen's and soldiers' delegates, which recently caused the overthrow of several members of the Russian cabinet.

More than 120 of the largest factories in Petrograd are threatened with a complete tie-up because of strike demands made by workmen. Several factories already have been tied up by strikes and a conciliation board is endeavoring to bring about an agreement between the workmen and their employes.

Continuing his isolated attacks against the French lines, the German crown prince on Friday threw his troops forward north of Moulin de Laffaux, where the battlefield bends northeast of Soissons, and against the battle scarred positions on Hill 304, on the Verdun front.

Checked Thursday in his attempt to hold positions won on Mont Haul in Champagne, the crown prince had better success in his efforts to retake the French line near Moulin de Laffaux. The Germans gained a foothold in some advanced trenches and, while counter-attacks by the French troops forced them to retire from most of the elements taken, they still maintain tenure of a portion of them. French artillery fire sufficed to check the German efforts against Hill 304, the Germans suffering heavy losses.

There has been increased artillery firing in the Ypres sector in Belgium. Both London and Berlin comment in their communications on the activity of the heavy guns in that region.

The inactivity in infantry fighting on the Arras portion of the front during the last several weeks is shown by the report of British captures during May. These amounted to 3,411. Germans and only one large German gun. In April the British took more than 10,000 prisoners and 57 large guns and howitzers.

YOUNG MEXICANS LEAVING THE U. S.

Laredo, Texas, June 4.—More than 300 Mexicans, mostly young men, were waiting here when the Mexican consulate opened today to get passports to enter their native country. It is reported they are leaving the United States because of the impression they are subject to draft.

THE STUDY CLUB.

The Study Club will resume its regular meetings at the home of Mrs. G. A. Neuffer next Tuesday morning.

BELLEVUE ON HAND.

All the good friends from Bellevue came to town last Friday to take in the Orr meeting. As a community Bellevue has more good citizens and good livers than any place we know. We are always glad to see them in town.

PROF. RISER HERE IN JULY.

Prof. Riser, the new Superintendent of the city schools will arrive in Abbeville about July 10th. to begin his work for the fall session of the schools. The people of the city will have a chance to meet him and to get acquainted with him and Mrs. Riser before the actual work begins.

ONLY SIXTEEN ARMY CAMPS; THIS STATE WILL GET ONE

War Department Cuts Number of
Cantonments in Two—Act of
Economy.

Washington, June 1.—Important revisions in the plan for training the war army have been made by the War Department, which announced today that the half million to be called to the colors in September will be concentrated in sixteen cantonments instead of thirty-two, and that many of the forces probably would be put into tents instead of wooden barracks.

Lack of funds, material, labor and transportation facilities. Secretary Baker said, were determining influences in the decision to reduce the number of cantonments. The larger number would have made a much greater demand on the overtaxed resources at the department's command.

Four Sites Chosen.

Although the change will upset all the tentative plans for camp locations it is not expected to delay the mobilization of the draft army. Four of the sixteen cantonment sites under the new plan already have been selected. The four sites selected are at Atlanta, American Lake, Wash., Ayre, Mass., and Wrighttown, N. J. Secretary Baker intimated the building would proceed as rapidly as possible.

A more plentiful supply of canvas than expected made it possible to put some of the troops under tents. Most of the tents used probably will be placed at Southern camps.

In making the announcement Secretary Baker said also that forces in excess of those which could be cared for in the sixteen cantonments would be placed under canvas. This was taken as referring to National Guard divisions.

Sixteen Guard Divisions.

There is no indication of an intention to alter the plan for formation of sixteen divisions of the guard. The question of filling these up to war strength probably will not be settled until selection of men for military service in the draft army begins. It is possible that it will be found better at that time if the State forces have not been recruited to full strength, to consolidate into a small number of divisions, but under the law either the regulars or guards can be filled up with men from the selected lists.

Meantime the National Guard units of the Eastern portion of the country will be drafted into the federal armies on July 15. Undoubtedly they will be put under canvas as rapidly as divisional mobilization is ordered and the plan of training virtually all guard divisions in the Southern section of the country will be adhered to. The guard already has a considerable supply of tenage and the machinery of the Council of National Defense is at work endeavoring to secure enough for all forces with little delay.

All of the guard units will have been drafted into service by August 5. That does not mean, however, that all will have been ordered to divisional training camps at that time. Presumably the best equipped and recruited forces will be made ready first for duty abroad. More than 60,000 guardsmen are engaged in police work guarding bridges, factories and other structures and that work will have to be kept up.

The task of building a cantonment is a big one. Miles of roads, water, sewer and light construction must be put in. More than 2,000 buildings must be erected in each camp and railway connections must be established. To begin the simultaneous construction of thirty-two such cities, officials feel would have more than the resources of the department or of the country could have borne without seriously interrupting the ordinary course of commercial life.

Augusta, June 1.—Gen. Wood, in an interview here tonight, said he has received no orders to alter original plans for army cantonments, and that if the number has been reduced, he is of the opinion that it is only a temporary arrangement, and that all places in the department designated for army camps will ultimately get them. Atlanta, Macon and Columbia to get their camps at once.

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NATIONAL GUARD TO FRANCE SOON?

Insufficient Money, Labor and Material for 32 Camps, War Department Declares.

Washington, June 1.—Special: Again the plants of the War Department as to cantonments have been changed, and all previous announcements concerning sites are in doubt except as to very few places. It is regarded here as practically certain that there will be a cantonment at Columbia and one at Atlanta.

Secretary of War Baker today told newspaper men that after the department commanders had been called upon to make recommendations upon the basis of thirty-two cantonments for the entire country, the quarter-master general's department, in cooperation with the Council of National Defense, had found that the cost of so many cantonments would be in excess of the appropriations made by Congress for the purpose, and that it would be impossible, on account of labor, material and transportation conditions, to build such a large number.

It was also explained that the supply of tentage has so increased that it will be practicable to house in tents a considerable proportion of the draft army which would otherwise have been sheltered in wooden structures.

The army war college has recommended that the number of cantonments be reduced to sixteen, and the chief of staff is in communication with the department commanders with regard to the sites to be selected on this new basis.

As to the Southeastern Department, instead of twelve cantonments as heretofore contemplated, there would be only three under the new arrangement. One of these would be in North Carolina, Tennessee and South Carolina, division; one in the Georgia, Florida and Alabama division, and one in the Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas division.

However, there have been so many changes already that it is not certain that the new plan will be final. Congress is said by many of its members to be ready to grant additional appropriations to defray the increased cost of cantonments and there is an important consideration involved as to the National Guard. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, acting chief of staff of the army, is in favor of sending the National Guard to France for training with a view to its utilization on the battle front. The original plans as to cantonments contemplated the training of the guard in these camps at home.

Congress is in a decidedly skeptical state as to this idea of sending the National Guard abroad at once. If the guard is trained in this country, sixteen cantonments will hardly be sufficient, unless their size is greatly increased over the former estimates.

SUBMARINES FIRE ON AMERICAN SHIP

Boat's Gunners Send Explosive Shells in Direction of the Submersibles.

New York, June 3.—Two German submarines made a concerted torpedo attack on the American line steamship Kroonland on her last outward voyage from this port, firing four torpedoes, two of which hit the liner glancing blows, according to a report brought here by an American recently in England.

The liner was nearing the British coast, the American was informed, when two torpedoes fired from opposite sides of the vessel from submerged u-boats were seen. Both torpedoes missed the bow of the ship by less than 20 feet.

The Kroonland already was going at high speed and then a vigilant officer on the bridge gave orders to zigzag. Quickly two more torpedoes were launched. This time the aim of the Germans was better, for the missiles actually touched the sides of the liner, but the blows were not sufficiently directed to explode the torpedoes. The naval gunners on the Kroonland opened fire at the unseen targets, sending explosive shells into the water at the points it was judged the submersibles were when the torpedoes were launched.

OWENS SPEED WINS PRIZES.

Sunday's Columbia State of May, 27th has the following to say of Owens Speed: "Howard Owens Speed of Abbeville, won the college prize for the best work in pharmacy and also the Cole L. Bleasé medal for pharmacy."

Owens Speed is the son of Dr. and Mrs. P. B. Speed and his parents and friends here and elsewhere congratulate him on these medals and for carrying off the honor of his class. This is a great deal of pleasure to his people and to his friends to know that he has made such a brilliant record throughout his entire college career, both at the Citadel of which he is a graduate and also at the Medical College in Charleston. His record is one of whom Abbeville is indeed proud.

Owens was given his diploma in pharmacy a month earlier in order to enter the Training Camp at Fort Oglethorpe.

THE D. A. R. MEETING.

The D. A. R.'s will hold a meeting Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock in the club rooms in the city hall. All members are urged to be present.

OFF FOR THE SUMMER.

Miss Caroline Graves leaves this week for Augusta, where she will spend sometime with relatives. She will spend a portion of her summer also with friends in the mountains. Her many friends hope that her vacation will be pleasant indeed.

NAVY DOORS OPEN AFTER REGISTER

Recruiting Officers Go to Every
Section of South Carolina
Tomorrow.

Columbia, June 4.—Men who register tomorrow, Lieut. O. F. Cooper, navy recruiting officer, at Columbia, emphasizes, are eligible for enlistment in the navy prior to the time the selective draft goes into effect.

In order that no young South Carolinian should fail through lack of information to consider the navy and recruiting officer, has arranged to have representatives tomorrow at every county seat in the State who its needs, Lieut. O. F. Cooper, navy will be prepared to answer all inquiries concerning navy life, pay, promotion and opportunities. These men will also conduct examinations and will furnish free transportation to Columbia for all qualified applicants for the navy.

Recruiting parties left Columbia early Saturday morning and by tonight will have canvassed a large part of the State. Moving pictures, slides depicting actual navy life, lectures, personal canvassing and every legitimate means will continue to be used to secure recruits. Few if any men registering in any of the county seats tomorrow will escape the solicitation of these vigilant workers. The navy's lowest pay is now \$32.60 and all living expenses furnished free.

Four hundred more men are needed in South Carolina before the call of the president to this State has been answered. The total enlistment since January 22 is 601 recruits, 19 of whom are from other States.

Spartanburg county led the counties of the State late Saturday afternoon in navy recruiting, having provided 43 men, Richland coming second with 42 and Greenville third with 29. Less than five men have been enlisted from Bamberg, Chester, Chesterfield, Colleton, Georgetown, Hampton, Pickens, Saluda and York counties. Only one recruit has been secured from each of the following counties: Abbeville, Berkeley, Calhoun and Cherokee. Beaufort county has yet to contribute its first recruit to this arm of the service.

Among the postmasters of the State who have been alive to the needs and opportunities of the navy, B. B. James of Union and Dr. Dick, of Sumter, have enlisted most men, each having had 11 men accepted.

ILLUSTRATED TRAVELOGS ON THE WAR

Rev. H. W. Pratt will deliver five illustrated travelogs on the War now in progress, at the Opera House on Thursday nights, beginning June 7th. The titles of these travelogs are as follows:

- June 7th—War Lords.
- June 14th—Conquest of Belgium.
- June 21st—Teutonic Allies.
- June 28th—Russia at War.
- July 5th—Constantinople.

These travelogs are under the auspices of the Library Association of Abbeville, the admission will be 10 cents per lecture for young and old, children the same price as the adults, and the proceeds will go entirely to the Library Association.

The Opera House management will furnish Burton Holmes-Paramount movies illustrating the subject of the lecture, provided the same can be secured. These Paramount films are the finest on the market, and the slides for the travelogs are furnished by Underwood and Underwood, the same firm which furnished those used during the winter. Further notices will be given as the lectures progress.

"Life in the United States Navy" is the title of a government picture which Mr. Pratt will show in connection with the travelogs. Mrs. Minshall, the local postmistress, received a telegram Tuesday morning stating that the picture would be sent here.

ON A RECRUITING TRIP.

W. D. Wilkinson and Corporal Hembree spent on Friday night Monday in the city with "W. D.'s" homepeople and friends. They are members of the Anderson Machine Gun Co., but have been stationed at Greenville the past while. They made the trip through the country in a machine gun truck. Claude Wilkinson has joined this company and is leaving today.

HONOR THEIR FALLEN COMRADES

Veterans in Washington, Assembling
for Reunion, Pay Tribute to the
South's Dead at Arlington.

Washington, June 3.—Confederate veterans here for their annual reunion went to Arlington today and paid tribute to the South's dead. President Wilson and Mrs. Wilson attended the services but the president did not speak. He received an ovation from the old soldiers, however, and many shook hands with him.

The exercises, held in the shadow of the monument erected to the Confederate dead by the women of the Confederacy, were opened with the sound of the assembly call by the marine band and the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by a special choir, the old soldiers and the audience helping to swell the refrain.

Flowers were strewn on the graves and special services were held at the tomb of the unknown dead and the grave of Gen. Joe Wheeler.

Gen. Bennett H. Young, past commander-in-chief of the veterans, and Representative Frank Clark of Florida were the orators.

"We are here to honor our Confederate dead who gave their lives for one of the noblest principles that ever moved human hearts, nerved human arms or stirred human souls—the precious doctrine of self government," Gen. Young said.

"Our blessed republic is now engaged in the greatest of all wars. The human imagination can not yet grasp the figures that shall estimate and calculate the losses of this stupendous conflict. We know full well that the American nation will measure up to the most exacting demands of humanity, and shall with fullest hope and without a single fear abide the hour when the world will witness the complete triumph of the principles of a people's government and a true democracy."

The exercises were under the auspices of the local organization of the United Confederate Veterans, Sons of Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy and the Southern Relief Society of the District of Columbia. The annual memorial exercises, a feature of every reunion, will be held in the Confederate section of Arlington on Wednesday. The veterans will go over in a body headed by Gen. George P. Harrison, the commander in chief. Bishop Collins Denny, of Richmond, Va., will be the orator.

NEW SCHOOL TEACHERS.

At a meeting of the trustees of this school district held on last Thursday evening the faculty of our schools was completed by the election of Miss Wood, of Woodruff, and Lynch, of Lancaster, and Professor Rembert, of Richland county, as teachers in the High School, and Miss Etta Allen of South Ambo, Miss J., as teacher for the fourth grade.

Miss Allen spent last winter in Abbeville at the home of Miss Sarah Haskell. She has been teaching for a number of years and is a young lady of fine attainments, and will doubt be a very acceptable teacher in the Grammar School. The other teachers in the High School, and perintendent Riser after full investigation, and it is believed that they will make splendid teachers for the High School.

The trustees have decided to add the eleventh grade to the course of study so that pupils from our schools may enter any of the colleges of the state without examination. After this year pupils from schools with only ten grades will not be allowed to enter the colleges of the state except upon examination.

THE BUTLER GUARD MEMBERS.

The boys who have become members of the Butler Guards are: Chas. Armor, John McClellan, Ansel Fulton, Casper Little, Furman Longshore, W. O. Stevenson, Leonary Whitlock, John Calvert, Mack Reilly, Wm. Duckworth, Bryant Barnes, Irwin Kirby, Gary Evans, Tom Sherman. All of these boys have passed the examination and have been accepted. James Cox could not get in on account of his eyes.