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SHIPYARD PLANT UNDER



Acting under orders issued yesterday by President Woodrow Wilson, the federal bureau of imports and exports, of which Fred B. Peterson is director, will license all foreign business. Peterson is from Wisconsin, where he was both a lawyer and a scientific farmer.

DREAMLAND FORUM FOR HUGE HANSON MEETING TONIGHT

CARRYING his campaign to the downtown district for the first time since he entered the race. Mayoralty Candidate Hanson will address a mass meeting tonight at Dreamland Pavilion, Seventh Avenue and Union Street. The meeting is scheduled to open at 7:45 o'clock and close an hour later. Street. The meeting is scheduled to open at 7:45 o'clock and close an hour later.

It will be next to the last of the Hanson speeches during the primary cannaign and promises to draw a huge crowd. He will close his campaign next Monday night, on the eve of primary day, with a meeting on Beacon Hill, his old home district.

At The Dreamland meeting the presiding officer will be Robert P. Oldham, who was chairman of the speakers bureau of the Liberty Loan drive. States Senator Pliny L. Allen will also speak. Mrs. Clara M. Hartle will sing.

Mr. Hanson spoke only once yesterday, addressing an enthusiastic crowd last night at Pranklin High School. Senator Allen presided at this meeting, and in his opening remarks paid the candidate a high tribute. Pointing to a school banner on the balcony wall of the auditorium, which read, "Organize, Investigate, Eliminate, Concentant Continued on Page Fourteen.)

Robertson Quits Britain's Staff; Wilson Goes In

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 16.—Gen. Sir William Robertson, chief of the British imperial staff, has resigned, it was officially announced this evening. General Wilson, subchief or staff, takes the vacated place.

General Robertson was unable, the statement says, to accept a position as military representative on the Supreme War Council at Versailles or to continue as chief of the imperial general staff with limited power.

Vegetable Bouquets Displayed in Vienna

BERNE, Saturday, Feb. 16.—Gigantic bouquets of real vegetables are now to be seen in the florists' windows in Vienna. "These unwieldy, but effective, bouquets," says Die Zeit, "find not only daring purchasers, but also grateful recipients."

LESS BEER IN AUSTRIA

DERNE, Saturday, Feb. 15.—The output of beer in Austria has been reduced to 8 per cent of the peace-time production, according to an official order effective from January 1. (Continued on Page Fourteen.)

By BRAND WHITLOCK

Belgium Under the German Heel

The tragedy of a nation, the epic of sacrifice that has stirred the civilized world, told in grip-ping, vivid style by the United States Minister.

Begins in Next Sunday's Times

Hog Island Shipbuilding Yards.

Decause of the huge cost of construction of the Hog Island plant, investigations that may result in grave charges are being made by Attorney-General Gregory into the expenditure of U.S. funds. Leading capitalists were awarded the contract for the plant's construction.

SAYS HOG ISLAND READY FOR PROBE

President Stone Denies That Shipping Board's Wage Ad-Corporation Is Responsible for High Cost of Plant.

NEW YORK, Saturday, Feb. 16.—Charles A. Stone, president of the American International Shipbuilding Corporation, who returned to this city yesterday after several days' inspection of the Hog Island yards, issued a statement last night declaring the company would welcome an investigation of its affairs by the attorney-general and denying that it was responsible for the high cost of the plant. responsible for the high cost of the plant.

He declared that work at Hog Island is progressing well and, notwithstaning the many difficulties encountered in the last few months, the 120 ships which the corporation will build for the government will be delivered not the government will be delivered not merely on time, but also "well within the average cost of similar ships that have been contracted for by the Shipping Board."

In explaining the delay in construction of the yards, the statement said original plans had to be radically changed owing to modifications ordered by the government and this caused an expense exceeding the original estimates.

Great Britain Combing Protected Industries For Men to Fill Army

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 16.-Notable improvement in the last two or three weeks in what he calls "the comb-out

weeks in what he calls "the combout atmosphere" is remarked by the labor correspondent of The Times. The combing out of men for protected occupations under the military service bill is now in progress.

Nevertheless, the correspondent says, the last week is the first in many months in which there has not been a stoppage of work in any part of the cauntry in consequence of grievances among the workers. Moreover, large numbers of young engineers are consing voluntarily to the recruiting offices and are not walting to be summoned.

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The correspondent, while not admitting that all trouble has been removed says events show that recent excepting accusations of dislocative against the workers in the engineering shops were unfounded.

Krupp Company Cuts Its Annual Dividends

COPENHAGEN, Saturday, Feb. 16.— The Krupp Company has reduced its annual dividend and is paying only 10 per cent. Last year it paid 12 per cent. The annual report of the com-pany says that the increasing demands of the array have necessitated the spending of a large share of the profits on new plants.

Invents Device to Detect Submarines

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Saturday, Feb. 16, -11. A. Cooper, a carpenter of Sabetha, Kan., received word today from the Navy Department that his invention for detecting submarines under water had been favorably considered by the department and that transportation would be furnished him for 2 trip to Washington.

SHIP WORKERS IN DELAWARE YARDS

justment Board Agrees to New Scale and Overtime Pay

(For Editorial Comment See Page 6)

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 16.—

The United States Shipping Board's wage adjustment board today agreed on an increase in wages, definite working conditions and overtime pay for all shipyard workers in the so-called Delaware yards, comprising about 50 per cent of ship workers on the Atlantic Coast, it does not include the striking carpenters, but is expected to affect their strike.

Many of the striking carpenters, however, despite the advice of their union officers, have signified their intention of accepting the award. The strikers in the New York district have not done so, but it is hoped they will.

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The new wage scale is not so high is the Pacific Coast rate, nor so high is the New York strikers demand, but t will be the model for settlements in the Taltician of the South Atlanticing Guif coasts.

The board's decision was perfected fiter conferences total between Actural Secretary Rosewell of the naviguard. General Manager Fiez of the Emergency Fleet Corporation and Thairman Macy of the adjustment out.

It does not take in the striking car-Chairman Macy of the adjustment board.

It does not take in the striking carpenters in New York, it was said, because they have insisted on heing dealt with as a special class, which the Shipping Board has been unwilling to do. The strikers, however, are perfectly free to avail themselves of the increases and improved conditions which the adjustment board proposes. Formal announcement of the details will be made later.

WANT PRESIDENT TO INTERVENE IN STRIKE AT GOTHAM SHIPYARDS

NEW YORK, Saturday, Feb. 16.—An appeal direct to President Wilson to intervene in the strike of shipyard workers engaged on government contracts will be made today by the Inited Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, it was announced by officers of the organization here this merning. Approximately 56 per cent of the shipgard workers in the New York district are on strike today, according to claims made by the brotherhood of the rest including. The Brotherhood of the xecutive committee.

The strike would spread from New York to other cities along the Atlantic Coast, they said, unless wage demands were granted. The number of men out there was declared to be between 7,009 and 8,000.

The appeal to the President, Guerin. here was declared to be between 1,000 and 8,000.

The appeal to the Fresident, Guerin said, would suggest a compromise similar to that which was effected last October between the government and the navy yard carpenters who were then threatening to strike.

At that time the navy yard workers wanted \$6.60 a day, similar to the wage (Continued on Page Two.)

Bank Clearings

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France to Take Over Her Entire Merchant Fleet

GERMANS' BODIES

ASHORE INDICATE

Swedes Believe That Naval

Fought Near Skagerrak.

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 16.—Belief that a naval engagement has occurred is expressed in a dispatch received in Stockholm from Gothenburg and forwarded by the correspondent of The Morning Post. The dispatch reports the receivery of a large number of bodies of German sailors who apparently belonged to a warship. Gothenburg is on the western coast of Sweden and is near the Skagerrak, one of the bodies of water connecting the North and Bultic Seas and the one nearest the North Sea. The North Sea in the vicinity of the Skagerrak has been the seeme of previous naval engagements, the great battle of Jutland having been fought there.

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GERMAN DESTROYERS

PATROL SHIPS SUNK

Engagement Has Been

FIGHTING AT SEA

Decree Published Requisition-ing All Vessels Under Tri-color March 10.

PARIS, Saturday, Feb. 16.—A decree published in The Journal Official this morning provides for the requisitioning of the entire merchant marine of France on March 16.
Government commissioners will confer with the ship owners as to the conditions under which the government will take over the vessels.

Enlisted Men With Pershing in France May Get Promotions

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 16.— That the theatre of war in Europe will be the third training camp to provide officers for the United States Army is the conviction of prominent military authorities today. When the present series of camps is concluded, it is loped that the number of men com-missioned will be sufficient for the time being. sing.
If it is decided to materially increase

General Kaledines of Cossack Army Believed To Have Met His Fate

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 16.— The American consul at Tiffis today transcolted an unconfirmed report that General Kaledines, the Cossack leader in the Ukraine, who resisted the ambitions of the Bolsheviki, had suddenly dropped out of sight and is now said to be dead.

Rains Promised for Early Part of Week

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 16.—Weather predictions for the Pacific States for the week beginning Sunday are: Frequent rains first half of week north of Central California, Some prespect of rain in Southern California about cut of the week. No decided temperature changes.

No Explosion on Utah, **Assert Navy Officials**

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 16,— The death of Lient, Com. Robert (), Bausch, who died in the mayal hospital at Nortolk, Va., Thurreiny from a frac-tured simil, received from falling through an open hatch on the battle-sing Unah, resulted in reports that an explosion had occurred on the Utah, Navy officials today declared there had been no explosion on the Utah.

WILL TRAIN CHAPLAINS

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 16.— Secretary Newton Baker yesterday signed the order establishing a train-ing school at Fortress Monroe, Va., for army chaplains. Military law, interna-tional law, military science and tactics and hygiene will be taught. Any can-didate failing to pass will be returned to civil life and compensated for his time and expenses at the same rate that candidates for commission in the line are paid in the reserve corps.

Bombardment Kills One Child, Injures Three Men and One Woman-Homes Damaged.

LAND GUNS ROUT RAIDER

Enemy Ceases Fire After Discharging Thirty Rounds and Gets Away Under Water.

"Fire was opened upon Dover by an enemy submarine about 10 o'clock this morning. The firing continued three or four minutes.
"The shore batteries replied and the enemy ceased fire after discharging about thirty rounds.
"The casualties are: Killed, one child: Injured, three men, one woman and three children. Slight damage was caused to house property."

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Takes Great Risk.

Cases have not been infrequent of German submarines hobbing up off the British coast and shelling shore points. It is not often, however, that the U-boats have cared to take chances with such a well-defended town as is Dover, the most important point in South-castern England opposite Calais, on the Straits of Dover, across which flows a constant stream of war traffic between England and France.

It was only vesterday that a powerful squadron of German destroyers made a sudden raid in the Straits of Dover and sank eight British small craft out on a submarine chase.

LANCASHIRE TROOPS TAKE PRISONERS IN RAID NEAR YPRES

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 16.—"A successful raid was carried out by Lancashire troops early last night in the neighborhood of the Ypres-Staden Railway," says today's war office report. "Eleven prisoners were taken by our troops and our casualties were slight.
"The hostile artillery was active in the course of the night north of Lens and opposite LaBassee and Wytschaete."

RUSSIA CASTS OFF ALL TREATIES WITH HER FORMER ALLIES

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 16.—Russia's withdrawal from the war was a real withdrawal, and the throwing away of all agreements with her former allies, said Leon Trotzky, the Bolshevik foreign minister in reporting to the All-Russian Workmen's and Soldier's Councils on the result of the Drest-Litovsk conference, according to a Russian wireless dispatch received here. The dispatch says the councils approved Trotzky's policy.

GERMAN RIOTERS GET HEAVY PUNISHMENT

DOVER, Saturday, Feb. 15.—The weather was thick and the night was very dark when the German destroyers dashed upon British patrol vessels in the Strait of Dover early Friday morning and sank eight of them. The patrol vessels, being equipped only with light armament for antisubmarine work, did not have a chance once the tiermans got among them.

The risk thus taken is shared by great numbers of trawlers and differs, operating in all weathers and at all hours. Yet the proportion of losses has been remarkably small.

On the latest occasion the crews hore themselves with the same coolness and courage that drifter men.

(Continued on Page Four.) AMSTERDAM, Saturday, Feb. 16.—A number of persons who took part in the recent strikes in Berlin have been sentenced to prison by extraordinary courts-martial.

The heaviest sentence, forty-two months of penal servitude, was imposed on a metal worker named Ratajozik for attempting to hold up a street car.

Another metal worker named Meyer was sentenced to eighteen months for a similar offense. One boy of 17, also a metal worker, was sentenced to two years and another to six months for distributing leaflets and urging women workers to strike.

THE WEATHER



Rain tonight and Sunday; warmer tonight; strong southeasterly gales,

TEMPERATURE AT NOON TODAY, 40

Temperature during last twenty-four hours: Maximum, 42; minimum, 36. Relative humidity, 84 per cent. Sunrise, 7:14 a. m. Sunset, 5:33 p. m.

TIDES AT SEATTLE TOMORROW. First low water... 2:45 a.m., 5.9 ft. | Second low water... 4:00 p.m., 6.6 ft. First high water... 8:39 a.m., 12.0 ft. | Second high water... 11:05 p.m., 9.8 ft.