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EBERT IS SOCIALIST PRESIDENT GERMANY

Church Bells Announce the
Result of Yesterday's Elec-
tions to Public.

VEILED THREATS DENIED

Japanese Statesman Says China Is
Free to Pursue Her Own Course
In Regard to Secret Treaties.
—Mines Picketed.

(By Associated Press.)

WEIMAR, Feb. 12.—Friedrich Ebert, former chancellor, was chosen president of Germany in the recent election. Peeling of church bells announced the results of the election yesterday.

DEFIENS REPORTS.

TOKIO, Feb. 12.—Vice Foreign Minister of Japan, Kijuro Shidehara, today declared that Japan, in mentioning the secret treaties, merely called "China's attention to establish procedure, according to which neither government has any right to publish confidential correspondence without previously consulting the other. Japan has no intention of interfering with any of the demands or contentions that China prefers to present to the peace conference." Reports from peace conference yesterday, that Japan was at variance with China, evidently brought out this denial from the foreign minister's office.

WILL DISCLOSE TREATIES.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Barn Nabauki Makino, head of the Japanese delegation to the peace conference, has been instructed to disclose all of the unpublished treaties between China and Japan, according to a Reuter dispatch from Tokyo.

OFFICIALLY ACCEPTED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The United States has formally accepted Japan's proposal regarding plans for restoration of railway traffic in Siberia.

MINERS PICKETED.

BUTTE, Feb. 12.—Picket activity by the strikers was again in full swing this morning after a lull in union affairs in this direction all day yesterday. Several organized bodies of the pickets tried to reach the workings today but were each time turned back by the police. It was found necessary to call in the soldier guard but in two instances where crowds had gathered and appeared determined to ignore the local officers. There was no violence exhibited. Three union miners were arrested for interfering with strike breakers going to their work. Comparatively few men are at work in the mines.

LIQUIDATION COMMISSION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Secretary of War Baker has announced the appointment of "the United States liquidation commission of the war department," whose duties will be to liquidate the business and financial affairs of the expeditionary army in France and England. Edwin H. Parker, of Houston, Texas, is chairman of the commission.

REFUSES TERMS.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—At a conference of the Miners Federation of Great Britain, held here, it was decided to refuse acceptance of the terms offered by the government for settlement of the demands made by the federation.

MORE DEPORTATIONS.

SEATTLE, Feb. 12.—Immigration Commissioner white announced today that another contingent of Bolsheviks and labor agitators will be deported soon. Between ten and fifteen of the undesirable foreigners are slated for a free trip to Europe.

STRETCH TRUTH TO GET IN MUTINY TO GET OUT

LONDON, Jan. 11.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Incidents of men stretching the truth considerably to get into the British army when England needed every man and then resorting virtually to mutiny to get out after the armistice was signed, have been shown at Folkestone during investigation of the first demobilization demonstrations there. After several hundred men had declined to embark for France at the end of their Christmas leave the military authorities began investigating each case separately.

One man who might be judged anywhere from 35 to 50 years of age appeared before the examining officers.

"On what ground do you think you should be released now?" he was asked.

"I'm more than 41 years of age," he said replying upon the rule that men of that age or more should be released as soon as possible.

"But your army book shows you enlisted fifteen months ago at the age of 25."

"I gave that as my age to get in,

sir, I am 50 years old now."

"You will have to prove that," came a quick reply, whereupon he turned to a middle-aged woman spectator, his wife, who had anticipated the situation and produced a birth certificate. He will be released at once and the method by which he volunteered will be conveniently forgotten.

During the last year of the war no miners were allowed to join the army. Their ranks already had been depleted until barely enough coal was being produced.

Another demonstrator claimed he should be released because he was a miner. His record showed he represented himself as a fish-monger in order to join the colors. When he proves, he is a miner, he will be released.

OREGON BOYS BID FAREWELL TO COOTIES

(By Associated Press.)

According to word received from boys of the 65th the "de-lousing" press will be something to be long remembered especially as long as they have their present clothing to remember it by. As a result of the steam treatment they state that their clothes were ruined and that many of them are being forced to return home with clothing that is absolutely unfit to wear. Those who have money are buying new clothes but very few have sufficient funds for that purpose. One of the boys, in his letter, described the process as follows: "We were marched down to the building with our blanket roll and all our belongings—then we went in, put numbers on our belongings etc. and then throw them in a big wire cage where for half an hour they were subjected to an enormous steam pressure. Our clothes went through the same process and were completely ruined by the steam and are full of wrinkles that won't come out. The doctors examined us thoroughly for cooties and from there we went to the shower bath and lathered from head to foot with a chemical soap, then went into the hot water. We were then furnished with clean underclothes and our clothes handed back to us. My suit was a horrible mess."

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MURPHY WANTED BY CALIFORNIA OFFICIALS

That P. R. Murphy, who operated
in this city as a timber buyer, oil
well owner, and several other things,
and who was captured in an attempt
to pass worthless checks, is wanted
at San Jose, Cal., on the same
charge, was the statement contained
in a letter received this morning by
Sheriff Quinn from Sheriff George
W. Lyle. Murphy is now in the
county jail pending action by the
grand jury having waived preliminary
examination, but it is possible
that he will be turned over to the
California officials as they seem to
want him quite badly. The letter
received reads as follows: "In an-
swer to your letter of Feb. 1, 1919,
in regard to P. R. Murphy, I will
say that we have a sure case against
him. He put over a check here for
\$54.45. I will be glad to send a
man for him and have no doubt that
we will be able to place him where
he will give no trouble for some-
time." Murphy, alias Brantley, at-
tempted to purchase land on worth-
less checks and also to borrow money
on his account in a Myrtle Creek
bank, bogus checks having been
deposited to his credit.

MOVIES WILL BE SHOWN IN SCHOOL

A thoroughly modern motion picture
machine and stereopticon are
being installed, at the direction of
the school board, in the local High
School today. The machine is a motor
drive, Mottograph, one of the
best motion picture machines on
the market and is being set up
by Rudolph Koller, of the Antlers
Theatre. At the time the building
was planned, instructions were given
to prepare plans for an operating
room and it was constructed in full
compliance with the laws pertaining
to such rooms. It is surrounded with
a wall of asbestos and is lined with
felt so that there is absolutely no
danger from fire, while all electrical
connections are fully protected. Films
of a strictly educational nature will
be displayed frequently while the
stereopticon will be used in lecture
work.

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ESCAPING PRISONERS HIT HARD BY NEW LAW

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SALEM, Feb. 12.—Because it was reported that there have been several attempts made by prisoners to escape from the penitentiary since the Sheldon bill was introduced at the request of Warden Stevens, fixing heavy penalties for escaping or aiding others to escape, the house suspended the rules today and passed the measure with an emergency clause. This makes it a crime to attempt to escape and fixes a penalty of ten years. The act also provides that automobile thieves may expect no paroles after the first offense.

MOVING PIER STRIKES FIRMER FOUNDATION

Unless the receding waters of the
South Umpqua again turn and rise
to an unusual height it is believed
that the Alexander bridge, which has
been threatening to go down for sev-
eral days, will stand until summer
when repairs can be made and the
structure put in a safe condition.
The movement of the central pier,
which has been slowly slipping to the
south, has been arrested, evidently
by striking a firm foundation, and
although the bridge is dangerously
twisted and greatly out of line, au-
tomobiles, and even a truck load of
wood, have been moved over in safe-
ty. A petition is being circulated
among the residents of Alexander ad-
dition and will be presented to the
county court asking for a new bridge
but it is not known what action will
be taken. The residents have also
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SECTION 2.

Unless otherwise changed by the Fish and Game Commission, the closed and open seasons for fishing and hunting, and the methods and regulation of the catching of fish in the waters of the State of Oregon lying wholly within the boundaries of the State of Oregon, shall remain the same as prescribed by statute and whenever the Fish and Game Commission finds that the open and closed seasons and the methods and regulation of appliances to be used in catching fish as prescribed by law be changed, altered or new seasons or regulations prescribed, it shall file with the Secretary of State a copy of its findings which shall set forth the open and closed seasons or changes or regulations in the methods of catching fish found by the commission to be necessary.

SECTION 3.

Within ten (10) days after the filing of said findings with the Secretary of State, the Governor shall issue his proclamation to the effect that the open and closed seasons for hunting and fishing, or changing or regulating the methods of catching fish, relating to the matters covered by the findings of the commission, shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days, or a less period where deemed necessary by the Governor, after the date of the proclamation of the Governor.

SECTION 4.

The open and closed seasons, and changing and regulating the methods of catching fish, as fixed by the said commission and as set forth in the proclamation of the Governor shall have the same force and effect as though prescribed specifically by the Legislative Assembly.

SEATTLE PAPERS PUT ON DISPLAY

Two Seattle "strike" publications,
displayed in the window of the News
office, have attracted considerable
attention today. The papers were
furnished by D. E. Carr, who con-
ducts the Novelty Store on Jackson
Street. One is the first edition of
the Seattle Star, which was published
under police protection, shortly after
the commencement of the strike. At
the head of the page it bears in large
red letters, "Seattle, United States of
America," and in heavy, blackface
type a reproduction of Mayor Han-
son's famous proclamation proclaim-
ing the ability of the city to handle
the situation and protect its citizens.
The other is a Strike Bulletin, pub-
lished by the Union forces, and bears
a number of articles, urging the
strikers to "holdfast" and berating
all employers in general.

MEDALS GIVEN TO LIBERTY LOAN WORKERS

Ten handsome silver medals were
received this morning by County
School Superintendent Brown from the
Oregon Liberty Loan Committee, as
awards to the ten county winners
in the Fourth Liberty Loan. Gold
medals were given to the ten state
winners and silver to the county
winners in the contest for the sale
of liberty bonds. Another contest
will be held for the 1921 drive which
will probably come in April and a
greater opportunity will be given at
that time. The awarding of the
medals will be an occasion for a pa-
triotic program and holiday in the
school. The medals are not to be
valued so greatly for their intrinsic
worth but because they are emblem-
atic of high honor secured in a
patriotic contest while the country
was at war. The winners are one for
each grade of school above the
third and the ten in the county to
whom the prizes will be given are as
follows: Fourth grade, Eugene
Kromming, Gardiner; fifth grade,
John A. Irving, Wilbur; sixth grade,
Lola Grubbe, Wilbur; seventh grade,
Neida Smerk, Sutherlin; eighth grade,
Eva Fray, Sutherlin; ninth grade,
Elda Josephson, Gardiner; tenth
grade, Yvona Fritz, Gardiner; eleventh
grade, Arizona Sawyers, Gardiner.

WILL RECEIVE NO SEALED BIDS

No sealed bids will be received by
the sales board of the United States
Spruce Production Corporation for
the sale of any of its property after
next Saturday, February 15, that
being the day upon which receipt of
bids will cease. Ten million dollars
worth of machinery, equipment and
material, brought together for use
in getting out spruce stock for air-
planes during the war, will be sold
as advertised.

MAYOR WILL LEAVE FOR CHICAGO TONIGHT

Mayor D. J. Stewart, leaves tonight
for Chicago in response to a message
announcing the serious illness of his
father, who is 89 years of age. From
Chicago he will go to his father's
home at Rockford, Ill., where he ex-
pects to spend several weeks. His
father has been failing in health for
some time and it is feared that his
condition, at the present time and at
his advanced age, is very serious.
During the absence of the Mayor the
city will be in charge of the president
of the city council, Walter Hamilton,
who was elected to that position at
the last meeting of the city fathers.

GERMAN SOLDIERS ARE HORSE TRADERS

(By Associated Press.)

MUNICH, Jan. 10.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) The returning and demobilizing armies here, in great part, come quietly home, put down their arms and disband without trouble. A small percentage of the unruly element, such as compose the Liebknecht-Spartacus anarchists group, however, has made as much trouble as possible, and has shown special fondness for crooked horse deals. The Peasant's council of Munich makes public a report to show that hundreds of returning soldiers have been permitted to keep a horse as a souvenir. The permission naturally does not come from the military authorities, but from underlings, and the soldiers have then put the animals thus secured on the market at ridiculous prices. One regiment that should have had 800 horses returned with but 80, the rest having been sold, in many cases it is feared, for slaughter—an easy way of concealing all traces. The city authorities recently confiscated 97 animals that had been sold in this underground way for slaughter. Peasants' Council has organized a guard of 40 men to help put down the evil.

JOBS BEING FOUND FOR DISCHARGED SOLDIERS

In order that each discharged soldier
may find employment upon his
arrival in his home town, the Govern-
ment has inaugurated a scheme,
working in co-operation with the U. S.
Employment Service and which has
been very successful. There are
37 camps in the United States that
are being used as demobilization
camps. Camp Lewis discharges all
men from the States of Oregon,
Washington and part of Idaho and all
men for those states must go through
the Camp Lewis' office unless they
secure a special discharge. Before
each man leaves the camp a card is
filled out stating his age, name and
qualifications and mailed to the Em-
ployment Service office, the man is told
to report there if he desires work
and the Superintendents are in-
structed to give preference to the
men whose names appear on these
cards.

MANY LICENSES SOLD DURING MONTH JAN.

The month of January proved very
profitable to the State in the amount
of revenue derived from the sale of
Hunter's and Angler's licenses ac-
cording to the tabulation made at the
office of the county Clerk. During
the month the local office took in
\$64.50 from the sale of Hunter's
licenses, \$60 from angler's licenses
and \$105 from combinations, making
a total of \$229.50. Of this amount
the County receives a commission of
5 per cent which amounted to \$11.47,
leaving a total of \$218.03 which was
remitted to the State Treasurer.

MASONRY TO GIVE LUNCHEON.

Commencing with tonight and con-
tinuing indefinitely, the local Masonic
Lodge, will have a 6 o'clock luncheon
for all members preceding each reg-
ular meeting. This has become
necessary on account of the great
pressure of military work and the
members are all greatly interested in
the new arrangement. The Masons
will hold their regular meeting to-
night at which time the first of these
lunches will be given and it is
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