

DRISCOLL GETS OUT INJUNCTION

TEMPORARY RELIEF GRANTED BY JUDGE PHY AGAINST CLOSING ORDER.

COMMISSIONERS SAY WILL NOT RESCIND ORDER

Complaint Filed in Probate Court by Rector of Roman Catholic Church Results in Injunction Staying City Health Board from Enforcing Order.

In spite of the orders of the City Commissioners prohibiting the holding of public meetings and like gatherings, services were held as usual yesterday in the Church of Our Lady of the Valley, conducted by the rector, Father P. J. Driscoll, and the other regular services for this week, as well as the Christmas day celebration, will also be held.

Following up his notice to the commissioners, served at Friday night's meeting, Father Driscoll had a complaint filed against them before County Judge J. F. Phy, and a summons issued against the city board of health. The complaint alleged that the pretended rules and regulations established by the city commissioners were without authority and void and asked for an injunction against the members of the board of health to prevent any interference on their part with the regular services in the Roman Catholic church. The injunction was secured and Father Driscoll conducted his services as usual yesterday.

None of the other parties affected by the closing order attempted to act in defiance of the commissioners, however, in spite of the warm words given in the meeting Friday night.

The injunction provides temporary relief for Fr. Driscoll from the order of the commissioners, and upon the return of Judge Knowles, of the circuit court, from Portland, which is expected in a day or two, the question of the rights of the city commissioners to enforce such regulations as have been announced, will come up for adjudication.

Concerning the request of a number of the city's business people that the commissioners rescind their orders and leave the question of the public welfare entirely in the hands of the board of health, which was expressed in the form of a resolution at last Friday night's meeting, the commissioners state that they will take no further action. A meeting of the board was held Saturday evening, on the return of Mr. Vincent Palmer from Portland, and an ordinance was passed to reinforce their previous order.

ENDS HIS OWN LIFE

Nels Carlson Committed Suicide in Jail in Portland.

PORTLAND, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—Nels Carlson, who shot and killed Gus Johnson here Thursday, today committed suicide in his cell in jail by cutting his throat. The murderer claimed that Johnson attacked Mrs. Carlson.

Carlson and Johnson were employed together in the shipyard work. After shooting Johnson who, he claimed, had attacked his wife, Carlson gave himself up to the officers. Carlson was himself a police officer before coming to Portland.

GEN. RHODES INJURED

Head of American Armistice Commission in Airplane Accident.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—General Rhodes, head of the American armistice commission, was severely injured in an airplane accident on the outskirts of Paris. His pilot, Lieutenant Giffert, was killed. The machine collapsed just as they reached the outskirts of Paris on a trip from Treves.

GERMAN COUNCIL CALLED

ZURICH, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—A bourgeois council has called a congress of the bourgeois from all parts of Germany to assemble on January 15th, according to Berlin dispatches.

ALLIED NAVIES WILL ASSIST

LONDON, Dec. 23.—It is reported that the first and fifth British fleet squadrons will participate in America's naval review. It is also stated that French and Italian warships may take part.

GENERAL GUILLAUMAT



General Guillaumat, one of the leading French commanders, has been aiding General d'Esperey in conquering the Bulgarians and driving the Austrians out of Macedonia and Serbia.

SHOT STRIKES CHILD'S HEAD

MARIAN SALE, AGED SEVEN, IN PRECARIOUS CONDITION.

A 32-Calibre Revolver Discharged but Details of the Accident Are Not Known.

Marian, the 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Sale, was shot in the head today, presumably by the accidental discharge of a 32-calibre revolver. The shooting occurred while the family were away. The revolver had been on a shelf and it is possible that it fell from the shelf and was discharged, but no details of how the child was shot have yet been ascertained.

The bullet entered the child's head about an inch above the right eye and lodged in the cranial cavity. Dr. Ray Logan was summoned and found that little could be done beyond the making of the examination. At last accounts the little girl was still alive, and there is a possibility, although such instances are very rare, that she may recover. The only thing that can be done is to await developments as it is impracticable to attempt to remove the bullet.

Mr. Sale, the little girl's father, is a railroad employe and has charge of a section gang.

EAST PRUSSIA REVOLT

German Press Admits That the Situation Is of Grave Import.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—Tilsit, Mecklenburg and other cities of east Prussia have been occupied by Prussian Lithuanians, who have revolted from German suzerainty, according to advices reaching Washington. The German press admitting this situation, gravely views the affairs of east Prussia from the German standpoint.

WAS NOT DISCUSSED

Secretary Lansing Says No Action Proposed as to the German War Ships.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—Secretary Lansing has officially denied that the American peace delegation had advocated the sinking of the surrendered German war ships. He said the proposition had not been discussed.

Red Cross Secures Two Practical Nurses to Care for La Grande People

Misses Alice and Daisy Burkhardt of Boise, two practical nurses, have arrived from Boise and are caring for the sick people of this city. These young ladies have had wide experience and were secured through the efforts of Mr. W. W. Logan, of the Red Cross, and by request of the La Grande chapter. It is believed with the assistance of these nurses this city will be able to cope with the influenza.

UNITY PROCLAIMED

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 23.—A union of Montenegro and Serbia is officially proclaimed by the Montenegro parliament, according to Belgrade dispatches.

IMITATES AMERICAN REPUBLIC

PLAN FOR NEW GERMAN REPUBLIC ABOUT LIKE THAT OF THE UNITED STATES

CENTRAL AND STATE AUTHORITY THE SAME

Legislative Bodies to Be Composed of Equal Number of Representatives from Each of the Proposed Fourteen States—Executive Power More Limited.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The constitution for the German republic, drawn by a committee headed by Hugo Von Preuss, secretary of the interior, closely follows the general plan of the American constitution, it is announced. The central and state governments will bear exactly the same relationship to each other as that which obtains in the United States. The president's power will be somewhat more restricted than that of the American executive. The legislative body will be composed of an equal number of representatives from all the proposed fourteen states. The union of German-Austria with Bavaria is planned in the outline of a supplementary program submitted by Herr Von Batock.

TURKEY A BANKRUPT

Ottoman Empire Takes Short Cut in Cancelling War Bills.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—Turkey will declare itself a bankrupt, according to the reports received here today.

ASSEMBLY WILL VOTE ON THE DRY LAW

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 21.—When the Illinois General Assembly goes into session next Jan. 8, it will have two big decisions to make.

One will be on the federal prohibition amendment. Illinois' claim to have a sufficient number of votes in both the house and senate to put this amendment over on the other hand the "wet" make no such claims. The contest will be very close one way or the other. Important opinion indicates the measure will be adopted.

The 21 big decisions will be as to the manner of electing delegates to the next meeting of the constitutional convention.

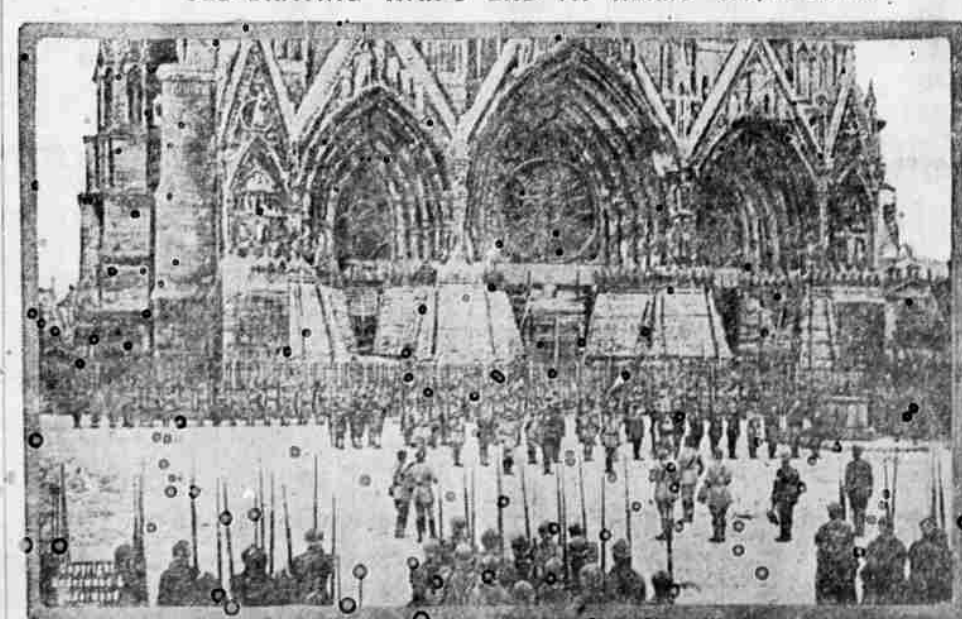
The convention resolution was passed by the last general assembly only after prolonged debate, and then by a very close vote. The proposition was adopted by the people at the last general election by an overwhelming majority.

GOOD FLYING RECORD

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Dec. 22.—(By United Press).—Mach aviation field, near here, has laid claim to the best record as to freedom from accidents of any of the army aviation fields.

Maj. Chas. G. Eicher, medical officer at March field, has announced that student aviators there have piled up a record of 31,809 hours total flying without a fatality.

CELEBRATING WAR'S END AT REIMS CATHEDRAL



Under the shadow of this historic cathedral of Reims the French forces, which took the city from the German invaders, are holding military demonstrations of peace times. General Maistre decorates the heroes of the campaign for valor. The cathedral, cloaked in wartime battlements of sand bags, presenting a more cheery aspect, looks silently on.

BAD BUNCH IN BAKER COUNTY

SECOND ATTEMPT AT MURDER IS REPORTED

Quincy Cartwright and John Griffin Fired on at the Pine Woods Langley Fell.

BAKE, Dec. 23.—A sheriff's posse, which was searching Rye valley country for the murderer of Ira Langley, who was shot from ambush December 19, after a fruitless investigation returned to Baker yesterday.

As Quincy Cartwright, who was with Langley when the fatal shot was fired, and John Griffin were returning from Langley's funeral at Lino, Ore., they were fired upon twice from ambush as they were riding past the spot where Langley fell dead.

It is assumed that owing to the second attempt at assassination, Quincy Cartwright, as well as Ira Langley, was the target of the assassin.

Another posse, consisting of Deputy Sheriffs Pierce, Jackson and Heninger and District Attorney W. S. Levens, left last evening for the scene of the shooting.

HOSPITAL UNIT LOCATED

War Department Gives Present Place of Two of the Western Divisions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—The war department, in locating all the American divisions in France on November 28th, announced that the Ninety-first division, composed of westerners, is at Denterghem, Belgium, under the command of Major General H. H. Johnson. The Forty-second division is at Merach, Luxembourg.

(The Forty-second division includes the La Grande hospital unit. The Ninety-first division passed through La Grande from Camp Lewis for embarkation early last summer and were in France within two weeks.

LIKE OREGON'S WAY OF RECORDING AUTO LICENSES

SALEM, Dec. 21.—Oregon's system of records relative to the registration and licensing of motor vehicles is the best that representatives of the Pacific coast Automobile Underwriters' conference have seen anywhere and an effort is to be made to have the legislature of the state of Washington enact laws providing for its adoption in that state, according to a letter received by Secretary of State Olcott from Ben Ludlow of Seattle, investigator for the conference.

RUSHED TO SOLDIERS

Christmas Packages for Doughboys Have Reached France.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—For most of the doughboys, this will be their first Christmas in Europe. It can now be stated that there were only two American divisions in the training area last Christmas.

Thousands of packages from America reached France during the past week. They were hurried to the front.

FOODSTUFF FOR SWEDEN AND FINLAND

IMMENSE CARGES ARE SENT TO RELIEVE THE ACTUAL SHORTAGE OF PROVISIONS

WILL REACH DESTINATION BY CHRISTMAS TIME

Supplies Are Forwarded Through the War Trade Board on the Recommendation of the Food Administrator Herbert Hoover.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—More than ten million pounds of foodstuffs to meet an actual shortage in the Scandinavian countries, are now on the way from the United States, the war trade board announced today. The food will reach Sweden in time for Christmas.

The board authorized the shipment of ten thousand tons of cereals to Finland for civilian relief.

Besides this, there was also sent two thousand tons of pork products, a thousand tons of industrial fats, and a thousand tons of sugar. This action was taken on the recommendation of Mr. Hoover.

FIGHTING AT ESSEN

Workmen and Soldiers Clash With the Spartacus With Many Casualties.

ZURICH, Dec. 23.—Bloody street fighting at Essen between forces of the workmen and soldiers' council and the Spartacus is reported. Many casualties resulted. The Spartacus were apparently defeated.

The rioting started when strike leaders at the bottom mine were arrested by agents of the workmen's miners' and soldiers' councils. The Spartacus, obtaining reinforcements, attacked the prison and released their comrades, and imprisoned the Soviet representatives.

An armed mob later marched upon the Moeller mine, attempting to destroy the plant. The workmen's and soldiers' forces, planted machine guns at strategic points and met the rioters with a deadly fire and dispersed them. Many fell before the machine gun fire.

FOOD BAN LIFTED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—All food restrictions upon public eating houses were declared off today.

SMUGGLER DEVICE CLEVER

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 23.—Laury Andressen, a member of the crew of the tank steamer Argyll, was found guilty here yesterday on a charge of having liquor in his possession and was fined \$50, which he paid. Andressen, who was arrested by customs officers, had a specially constructed sack which he wore under his overcoat.

The sack had a separate compartment for each quart bottle and accommodated ten. When wearing this arrangement the bottles hung below his hips in such a way that they did not bulge beyond the usual line of his overcoat and a hasty inspection by the officials would ordinarily miss the whisky.

PRINCE TOKUGAWA



Prince Yoshihisa Tokugawa, the head of the Japanese Red Cross mission which has arrived in England to co-operate with the American, British and Italian Red Cross missions for the distribution of all Red Cross material among the allies.

ED. O'BRIEN IS DEAD AT FRISCO

WELL KNOWN TRAVELING MAN WAS POPULAR HERE.

Owned Valuable Real Estate in La Grande's Business District.

N. K. West received a telegram this morning stating that his old friend, Ed O'Brien, died at the Palace hotel in San Francisco. Only a short time ago Mr. West received a letter from Mr. O'Brien who was in the Hawaiian Islands and he expressed the hope that he would be back before Christmas.

Ed O'Brien was well known in La Grande. For years he made the city regularly selling dry goods for Carson, Pierce, Scott & Co. So much did he think of La Grande's future that he purchased the business building occupied by Sherry's theatre and later bought the building that houses the Model restaurant.

He and Mr. West were friends of long standing and his death is mourned deeply today at the West store, as it is by all other La Grande people who knew Mr. O'Brien.

FLOUR PRICES OPEN

No Further Restrictions Placed by the Government on Millers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Cancellation of all flour milling regulations, including fair price schedules and the price and quantity restrictions on the sale of wheat flour by millers, which officials expect will result in cheaper flour, was formally announced late today by the food administration.

Notification of the action was telegraphed to all agents of the administration's grain corporation, and today there was a sharp rise in the price of wheat, bran and other mill feeds on the Minneapolis market, which officials expect to be followed by a drop in flour prices.

Existing regulations restricting margins of profit on flour and mill feeds remain in effect, as do general regulations of the food administration prohibiting profiteering, hoarding and unfair practices, which officials said would be strictly enforced.

The prediction of cheaper flour to the community, it was said at the food administration, is based on the immediate rise today and price of mill feeds, amounting to several dollars a ton. Close observation of the market trend in flour and mill feeds, made by the food administration's milling division and grain experts, it was said, showed that with every upward movement of feeds came a fall in the price of flour on a basis of an average drop of three and four hundredths of a cent on a barrel of flour to every \$1 a ton increase on mill feed.

ELECTION BOOSTER HIT

Tax of 100 Per Cent Levied on Campaign Contributions Exceeding \$500.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(United Press)—By a vote of 34 to 28, the senate today adopted an amendment levying a tax of a hundred per cent on all campaign contributions in excess of \$500.

Centuries will stay in the revenue bill for the senate, by a vote of 33 to 32, defeated an amendment that would have eliminated a large number of such taxes from the house bill.

MR. KIDDLE GOES THEM 1000 MORE

LOCAL MANAGER OF MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN CANNOT STAND ANY FALL DOWN

ALL LOCAL WORKERS BUSY AT THE WIND UP

Caution Is Advised of Hardening of the Heart, Especially at the Yuletide When All Should Feel the Red Cross Benefits.

Campaign Manager E. E. Kiddle wore a new look of determination this morning when he heard that Clackamas county had attained equality of standing with the La Grande chapter in the Red Cross membership drive. He immediately wired State Campaign Manager Witham at Portland to add another 100 to the La Grande chapter's membership, not wishing for one moment to have anybody in the state lead over his district.

Five minutes later he was out with a big stick steaming up the colonels and captains to get terribly busy forthwith.

Allice was the first district to turn in a complete report, showing 220; Imbler followed with 366; Island City with 464; Mt. Glen with 101. Many others have made incomplete returns, and all say that they are working in spite of the war news, flu, quarantine and Christmas rush of shopping. It has been hard to keep pop at red heat, and to keep the roll calling or the home fires burning.

All campaign managers and captains are urgently requested to get their reports in at the earliest possible moment. This must be done if La Grande chapter's reputation is to be maintained at the lead in the state.

New Disease Develops

Beware of the new disease—hardening of the heart caused by the "I'm thru-ens" germ after effects of the Hun plague.

That what's the matter with a man or woman who will turn down "the greatest mother in the world." The American Red Cross has taken care of your brother and mine "over here" and "over there" when the other mother was too far away to help—and has done it well.

Who will not join the Red Cross Christmas roll call needs another "shot" of exact of patriots. For fought our battles for us, just as long as our Allies who bore the brunt of battle for us—are suffering. We should be willing to give our hearts and our dollars. This is open season for every man and woman seen on the street without a button and you may expect to be "bumped" for a dollar membership. Remember—Even "Old Scrooge" came across at Christmas.

They who have answered "the last roll call" for us would be ashamed if we did not "answer this roll call" for them. And yet, there are many people in Union and Wallawa counties who either do not have a button to wear or will not wear it. "Wear your button" at least until after Christmas and "Keep the Home Fires Burning" for the Red Cross during 1919.

CATCH DESERTER FROM CANADA HERE

Sergeant F. A. Moss, a military police from the Canadian army, was in La Grande Saturday, having come down from Victoria, B. C., to secure an alleged deserter from the Canadian army. The latter was a man known as Ernest M. Blanchard, who had served a term here for boot-legging. Blanchard was apprehended again on December 7th by Sheriff Warlick, the day on which the wire concerning him was received from the Canadian authorities. Sergeant Moss left early Sunday morning to return to the Canadian side with his prisoner.

PERSHING IN RHINELAND

AMERICAN ARMY OF OCCUPATION, Dec. 23.—General John J. Pershing made his first visit to the Rhineland Saturday. He arrived in private car which was parked at the edge of town. It is doubtful if 1 per cent of the inhabitants of the place knew that the commander-in-chief of the American forces was in their midst. With the exception of General Dickman, commander of the army of occupation, not even the officers at the headquarters of the Third army were aware of General Pershing's presence.

WEATHER FORECAST

Dec. 23.—Fair, continued cold.