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U. S. SOLDIERS HAVE BAD MIX-UP WITH JAPANESE

MARINES SAID TO HAVE RAIDED THE QUARTERS AND TO HAVE ASSAULTED CONSUL

Trouble Followed Rough Treatment by Japanese Policemen Who Charged on Americans With Fixed Bayonets, Seriously Wounding Two—Clash Took Place in Section of City Where Brawls Are Frequent.

PEKIN, March 14.—American soldiers have raided the Japanese concession at Tien Tsin, forcing their way into the consulate and assaulting the consul, according to dispatches.

The trouble is said to have been caused by the rough treatment given American soldiers who became disorderly in the Japanese quarters. Japanese soldiers drove the Americans out of the quarters with fixed bayonets, and wounding two seriously. The next day two hundred angry marines, who were off duty, paraded through the Japanese concession. They attacked every Japanese encountered, it is alleged, and when they reached the consulate, they forcibly entered and seriously injured the consul.

INFLAMED IN DEBS' BEHALF

JOHN REED, SOCIALIST EDITOR, SPEAKS IN CLEVELAND

Crowd Swears That Convicted Leader Will Either Get Out of Jail or They Will All Go In

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
CLEVELAND, March 14.—John Reed, socialist editor of New York, formerly of Portland, Oregon, addressed a crowd here today in which the conviction of Eugene V. Debs, socialist leader, figured as the principal theme.

The crowd stood with uplifted hands and swore that "either Debs would get out of jail, or we will all go in."

DENVER ENTERTAINS BAKER

Secretary of War and Party Due at Tacoma Saturday.

DENVER, Colo., March 14.—Newton D. Baker, secretary of war, and Chief of Staff March arrived here at 2:30 yesterday afternoon enroute to the Pacific coast on a tour of inspection. The secretary's party was taken for a motor car ride through the city and left for the west.

Secretary Baker said he would reach Tacoma, Wash., Saturday night. An inspection of Camp Lewis will follow, the secretary said. Then he will go to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

COOLER WEATHER DUE TONIGHT

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
PORTLAND, March 14.—Rain in the west, fair in the east portion; colder in the east tonight; moderate west early winds.

ISLANDERS SEEK U. S. AID

Gottschee People Want Republic Under American Protection.

VIENNA, March 14.—The inhabitants of the German language island of Gottschee in Carniola, consisting of one fair-sized town and 171 villages, have presented the American commission, which is in the city studying Austro-Hungarian problems, a memorandum for transmission to Paris and Washington, asking permission for the formation of a neutral republic under the protection of the American people.

TEST TREE IN MEMORY

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 14.—The first tree in memory of a Trenton, N. J., soldier who lost his life in the great war is to be planted in Mahlon Stacy Park by Mrs. Elizabeth O'Connell, mother of the late soldier, today.

INSURRECTION IS SUPPRESSED

THIS IS REPORT OF MINISTER OF DEFENSE

Only One Suburb of Berlin Remains to Be Cleared of Spartans—Disarmament Necessary.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
BASEL, March 14.—The Berlin insurrection may be considered as suppressed, Gustave Noske, minister of defense, announced in the national assembly at Weimar. He reported that only one suburb in Berlin remains to be cleared of the Spartans. He said that disarmament of the population must be hastened.

A Different Report.

LONDON, March 14.—The Spartans forces still retain a part of the Berlin suburbs at Lichtenburg and are stubbornly resisting the government forces, a dispatch says.

WYOMING BANKERS TO HOLD CONFERENCE

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 14.—Bankers and business men from all sections of the state are expected for a conference on April 2 to discuss plans for a readjustment of business to meet peace conditions and to plan Wyoming's part in the drive for the Victory Liberty loan. The idea for the conference originated at a luncheon given to twenty-eight bankers of the state here on Washington's birthday by N. E. Corthell, Wyoming director of the Liberty bond campaign.

DECISION ON GERMAN SHIPS

BRUSSELS, March 14.—The decision of the allies providing for Germany turning over merchant ships and securities in return for food has been presented to the German delegation. No further discussion of the terms is allowed.

HOLD UP AT SEATTLE

SEATTLE, March 14.—Modern notions of the law today are tracing the whereabouts of a handit, who true to tradition of the "wild and woolly" with his six shooter swaggeringly argued the cashier of a pool room out of two hundred and seventy dollars last night, while a half hundred players attentively watched the exhibition.

SOVIET CONTINUES WHOLESALE MURDER

STOCKHOLM, March 14.—All the relatives of officers of the 86th Russian regiment which went over to the White guards as against the soviet government, have been executed, according to a dispatch from Petrograd. The executions were ordered by the military revolutionary committee of Petrograd.

BAKER COWBOY IS SENTENCED

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
BAKER, March 14.—Tom Adams, the cowboy convicted of the murder of George Halbrook, a rancher and stockman of Baker county, last December, was today sentenced to from five to nine years in the penitentiary.

ARCTIC CIRCLE IS JUST TOLD OF END OF WAR

DAWSON, N. T., March 14.—News of the ending of the world war has just been brought to the arctic circle beneath the Arctic circle by special runners with dog teams. The news returned after traveling 1,000 miles through Arctic wilderness. The runners were sent north with anti-influenza medicine for the far north settlements. In the journey the runners crossed and recrossed the Rocky mountains.

Secretary of War to Go Through Tonight On Way to Portland

Secretary of War Baker, who is coming west with his party on a tour of inspection of the Pacific coast states, will pass through La Grande at a late hour tonight on his way to Portland, according to reports in the Portland press which state that the war secretary will arrive in Portland Saturday afternoon at 3:30. Railroad officials in Portland were notified by wire Wednesday that Secretary Baker's party would travel to Portland via the Oregon Short Line and the O. W. R. & N.

SENATOR FALL AGAINST PLAN

DECLARES HIS OPPOSITION TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Says He Objects to America Again Becoming a Subsidiary Country to the British Isles.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., March 14.—Senator Fall expressed his opposition to the proposed league of nations here today in which he declared:

"If the league of nations plan is adopted England will rule the league and I object to America becoming again a subsidiary country to the British Isles."

CASUALTIES IN RUSSIA LIGHT

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
ARCHANGEL, March 14.—Compared with the enemy's casualties those of the allies have been extremely light. Since February 28th it is estimated that the Bolsheviks lost 500 killed. The American casualties from February 28th to March 9th were fifteen killed, one missing, and thirty wounded.

FLOOD IN SPOKANE FEARED

Danger Scented in Proposed Deepening of Mouth of River.

SPOKANE, March 14.—An investigation by the city engineer into the possible effect in the way of floods in this city on the proposed widening and deepening of the mouth of the Spokane river where it flows out of Coeur d'Alene lake in Idaho, was ordered today by the city council.

BOLSHEVIKI ARMY CLAIM LARGE SWING

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
LONDON, March 14.—Helsingfors dispatches say the Bolshevik general staff at Moscow claims the Bolshevik army occupied territory the size of France during January and February and will reach Archangel by May 1.

MAIRIAL HAIG RETIRES

LONDON, March 14.—Field Marshal Haig is retiring as commander-in-chief of the British army, the Daily Express stated today. He is expected to be succeeded by General Sir Wm. Robertson of the general staff.

BRITISH DECORATE YANKS

Sixty-six Medical Men Honored for Services During War

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Sixty-six American army medical officers and men have been decorated by the British government for bravery and distinguished service in the war. Surgeon-General Island was advised today by the British war office.

PRESIDENT ONCE MORE IN PARIS

UNEVENTFUL TRIP WAS MADE BY THE PARTY ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.

RECEPTION WAS ENTIRELY WITHOUT CEREMONY

President is in Excellent Health, Apparently Having Been Benefited by the Rest Since Leaving Paris on the Fifteenth of February.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
PARIS, March 14.—President Wilson and party arrived on the second visit to Paris this afternoon.

President Wilson and the party which came with him from the United States left Brest for Paris at 11 o'clock last night. The president and Mrs. Wilson disembarked from the George Washington at 9:45 o'clock. It was a moonlight night.

Though numerous decorations had been hung out to welcome the return of the president, his reception was entirely without ceremony. Those who went aboard the George Washington to extend their greetings were the French ambassador to the United States and Madame Jusserand, M. Leygues, minister of marine, and several other representatives of the French government. Maj. Gen. El A. Helmick, Brig. Gen. William Wharls and Colonel House met the president at the dock.

President Wilson was in excellent health, apparently having been benefited by his period of rest since he left here on February 15th.

The presidential party came ashore on an American tug and while on board Mrs. Wilson was presented with a bouquet by M. Leygues. There was a little flurry of mist during the trip from the steamer, but this lasted only a short time.

MUST GIVE UP ALL AIRCRAFT

PARIS, March 14.—Germany must deliver all airplanes to the allies and must prohibit the construction of other airplanes until the conclusion of peace, the supreme war council decided Wednesday in adopting the aerial terms to be imposed on Germany in the preliminary peace. The terms do not decide the future fate of the airplanes, which may either be destroyed or divided among the allies. The British and American delegations brought up the question of a distinction between commercial aerial navigation, which will be authorized for Germany after conclusion of peace under certain guarantees.

All forms of military airplanes are barred to Germany, the only exception being the temporary use until October 1 of 100 hydroairplanes and 100 men in gathering mines in the North sea.

SEVEN HUNS TO BE INTERNED

Dangerous Propagandists Are Moved to Fort Oglethorpe.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Seven Germans regarded as dangerous propagandists left here today in custody of federal officers for Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., where they will be interned. Among them was Baron Paul von Ziegler, a New York broker, and son of a German general, who was arrested yesterday after being suspected for a year. It was reported he had made attempts to smuggle munitions into Mexico.

The other prisoners included Herman C. A. Scholten of Brooklyn, former secretary of the Bayer Chemical company; Arthur Meyers, an employee of the North German Lloyd Steamship company; Dr. Ferdinand Pann, said to have distributed Austrian propaganda; and Adolph Herz, Ney of Saragat, N. Y., a chemist.

RETURN FROM EAST

Senator Mrs. E. E. O'Connell returned to La Grande this morning from the east after an absence of two weeks. The senator's husband, who was in the east, was in Washington, D. C., on business, and Mrs. O'Connell stopped off in Iowa.

Dollar-a-Year Men Must Give Up Two Months' Pay as Tax

WASHINGTON, March 14.—During the war the government accepted the services of nearly 1000 men and paid them the nominal compensation of one dollar a year. Thursday the dollar became a tax issue through a ruling by the internal revenue that not only must the dollar be reported, but that it is taxable if the total income from all sources is in excess of the usual exemptions. Most dollar-a-year men had private sources of income above \$6000, and in these cases the normal tax on the dollar will be 12 cents, or nearly two months' pay at the government rate.

DATES ARE SET FOR GYPSY TOUR

IMPORTANT EVENT AMONG MOTORCYCLISTS IN JUNE

La Grande Club Is Urged to Organize to Take Part in Contest This Summer.

Announcement of the date of the annual gypsy tour in which many motorcycle clubs in the United States will participate, was received today by Chase Bohnenkamp, president of the local club. The dates which have been set are June 14th and 15th. Some fine trophies for this event are being put forth by eastern sporting journals and national promoters of the event. The La Grande club has been asked to organize for the purpose of taking part in this event this year, but officials of the local organization are unable to say yet whether the members of the club will care to compete.

ROSEBURG SOLDIER DIED IN FRANCE

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
ROSEBURG, March 14.—Lieut. Leno Ragsdale, formerly of the old Third Oregon, died in France from pneumonia, the news of his death being received by his mother today. He had been through a gas attack and had received shrapnel wounds and was decorated for bravery. He married a French girl on November 8, 1918.

FORMER EMPEROR HAD PLANNED SWEDISH REFUGE

WASHINGTON, March 14.—William Hohenzollern, two months before the armistice was signed, planned an asylum in Sweden, but was prevented from going to that country by the Swedish government, diplomatic advisers made public Thursday disclosed. The former kaiser's plans had reached the point, the advisers said, where a deal was virtually closed for him to rent Castle Stora Sundby, situated on one of the large lakes in the center of Sweden. The castle is owned by old friends, Prince and Princess Wedel.

BIBLE SAVES YANK'S LIFE

NEWCASTLE, Pa., March 14.—Private William E. Wilson of this place saves his life to a small New Testament and mirror that he carried in his vest pocket. The machinegun bullet that would have ended him was deflected by the articles down his arm, which was shattered.

MUST SUPPLY FOOD TO RUSSIA

ARCHANGEL, March 14.—Information secured by the allied food commission in north Russia indicates that the American people must, deprive themselves of breadstuffs until the Russian question is settled and that country is again on a sound agricultural basis.

BUILDING MATERIAL PRICES WILL NOT SOON BE REDUCED

WASHINGTON, March 14.—An indication that prices of building materials will not be reduced greatly is given by the fact that the price of lumber was seen Thursday by local dealers. The price of lumber in Washington, D. C., on business, was \$10.00 per cord, and in Iowa \$12.00.

MANY MEN AGAIN QUIT THEIR WORK

NEARLY 1000 SHIPYARD EMPLOYEES AT SEATTLE ARE ONCE MORE OUT.

ARE DISSATISFIED WITH THEIR REINSTATEMENT

Basis of Complaint Explained by Those Who Left the Yards Is That Bonus System Is Abolished and Discriminations Are Shown.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
SEATTLE, March 14.—Nearly a thousand shipyard workers who had returned to work have again quit. The reason assigned for the second walk-out is that they are dissatisfied with the terms of their reinstatement. They also say that the abolishment of the bonus system and discriminations are the reasons for the dissatisfaction.

MOTHER STILL SEEKS MISSING YOUTH

Fred Ortiz, the former local youth who was being sought a short time ago by his mother, is still missing, according to information received in La Grande this week from the mother, Mrs. M. Ortiz, of El Monte, Calif. Ortiz left here, as stated in the Observer some time ago, to go to his mother's home in California, where she was reported to be very ill. He never arrived at El Monte, so far as is known, and no word of him has since been received. Mrs. Ortiz will be grateful to anyone who can give her information concerning her son.

CENSORSHIP BLAME DENIED

Government Officials Assert They Are Not at Fault.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—In connection with published criticism in France of censorship alleged to have prevented the French public from learning of opposition to the league of nations plan in congress and to have kept French public opinion from America, it was said officially at the state department today that no such censorship was exercised or participated in by the United States government.

CRAFT MAY BE COMMANDEERED

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
NEW YORK, March 14.—Commandeering by the government of a fleet of harbor craft sufficient to restore traffic in New York's strike-bound harbor to normal conditions, has been decided by officials of the army, navy and United States shipping board, according to apparently authentic reports last night.

TOWN QUIET LAST NIGHT

"Twelve o'clock and all's well," cried night policeman J. L. Smith, as he greeted the midnight hour last night, watching from the corner of Depot and Adams to see that the few pedestrians on the streets were able to steer a true course. And so it was at 1 o'clock, at 2 o'clock, and on until morning. There have not been very many nights of late that the police have not seen some evidence of too freely flowing fireworks, but last night was an uneventful one in this respect. Motorists also were well behaved and the result was that there were no names appearing in the "black list" in the chief's office this morning.

GRAFTS BONE FROM LEO TO FIX SHATTERED ARM

ATLANTA, Ga., March 14.—By splitting a bone in his leg, taking out a piece and grafting it into the right arm where five inches of bone was shot out on the Argonne battlefield, surgeons believe they will restore the right arm of Captain George Harrison to its accustomed usefulness. Medical men feel assured that both bones will grow out to their full proportions again.