

WOOD ASSAILS NOT MEN BUT SYSTEM

Major-General Admits Regulars Shared in Failures With Guardsmen.

NEW BUREAU ADVOCATED

Department of Munitions, in Conjunction With Federal Universal Training Provision, Declared to Be Indispensable.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Major-General Leonard Wood, recalled today for cross-examination before the Senate universal training sub-committee, said Army officers were not disposed to shirk responsibility for the War Department's shortcomings in its direction of the National Guard mobilization at the border, but reiterated that the Guard system was in itself "vicious and indefensible," because of defects inherent in its organization.

In response to questions by Senator Lee, of Maryland, a defender of the Guard system, at whose instance the cross-examination was ordered, General Wood admitted that the Federal Government's supply plans for the state troops collapsed 10 days after they were called out and that in certain respects mobilization of the regulars, like the Guard, failed to come up to expectations. He insisted, however, that a system "without a shadow of state interference" would have operated to much better effect and that the only ultimate solution to the problem would be universal service under exclusive Federal control.

Scott to Be Recalled.

Tomorrow the committee will cross-examine Major-General Hugh L. Scott, the chief of staff, who, in his testimony several weeks ago, took a stand similar to that of General Wood. General Wood repeated today his assertion that the mobilization was a tragedy, but also declared that he did not intend to criticize the officers and men of the Guard, but only the "vicious, indefensible system."

"By supreme effort in six months' time," he said, "we got 155,000 men to the border. The country could have been eaten up by an efficient enemy in that time."

Senator Lee points out that the regular Army had played its part in the failures.

"Yes," said General Wood, "and I would go after the War Department with a sandbag and reorganize it." The greatest failure of the Federal Government, General Wood said, was the supply system. Great Britain had faced the same thing, he added, when the European war came, and found it necessary to abandon her whole system and create a department of munitions.

Live Commission Needed.

"If the border trouble had gone to a real war," he said, "we would have had to do that; create a commission with some live, energetic business men upon it. We would have had to shake the cobwebs out of the supply department and get some plain into it; convert it from a wheelless vehicle to something that would run."

The men and officers of the Guard are high-minded, patriotic individuals, General Wood said, "but not soldiers."

"It would have been murder to send them against any fairly efficient foe," he added.

Senator Lee led the discussions to the Swiss military system, which he declared, had solved the problem of dual control of the military forces by state and federal governments.

"Dual control is a rotten system in Switzerland, if it exists," General Wood said. Moreover, he did not believe any alternative from universal service offered itself short of pay for soldiers at a prohibitive rate. The National Guard of the rank and file, General Wood said, were eager for the enactment of universal service legislation.

1000 QUIT JOBS FOR ONE

Quaker Oats Company Workers Go on Strike When One Is Let Out.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Jan. 31.—More than 1000 employees of the Quaker Oats Company plant here went on strike today because of the discharge of one of the employees.

The workmen allege that the men are being discriminated against on account of their union affiliation. Heads of the plant say that a new law now will be made for an open shop.

BOARD OF TRADE TO GO ON

Joseph Griffin Says Note May Affect Prices Somewhat.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Joseph Griffin, president of the Board of Trade, asked what effect the German note might have on the Board of Trade said:

"Germany's decision may have some effect on prices, but no other effect. The board will continue as heretofore, and being a market for food products, will not close under any circumstances."

J. W. WENTWORTH IS DEAD

Vancouver Elks to Attend Funeral of Charter Member.

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TROOP A IS PRAISED

REGULAR ARMY COMMANDER COMMENDS EFFICIENCY. Final Review Before Leaving Border Is Held by Major Barton—Hike of 40 Miles to Be Taken.

WITH THE OREGON TROOPS ON THE BORDER, CAMP JOHN H. DEAN, Calexico, Cal., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—When the Oregon Cavalry leaves here for muster out it will be with a splendid record for military efficiency, according to Major Frank Barton, commanding the squadron of the First United States Cavalry, to which the Oregon troop is attached here.

In the inspection and review of the squadron here today, the Oregon men were commended by the squadron commander, who seldom indulges in praise. The troop passed the reviewing officer at a walk, trot and full gallop, flashing sabers and rifles perfectly reined, lines straight as an arrow. It was regarded as the final review while in the Federal service.

PASSPORT CASE PROBED

EXTRADITION OF CAPTAIN BOEHM IS CONSIDERED. All Persons Connected With Issuance of Papers to German to Be Called to Account by Washington.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—State Department authorities today began a thorough investigation into the issuance of a passport to a German, American passport in the name of Captain Hans Boehm, said to be a German army officer, who was traveling from Spain to Holland when taken off a steamer at Falmouth and placed under arrest by the British authorities.

Work also was begun on new passport regulations, which will be issued in a few days, to throw further safeguards around their issuance and to prevent their use improperly.

All persons connected with the issuance of the passport either have been or will be called to account by agents of the Department of Justice. Legal officers of the Government are looking into the question of extraditing Captain Boehm to the United States.

GROW CHIEFS PROTEST

INDIANS DON'T LIKE WAY GOVERNMENT RUNS THEIR AFFAIRS. Aborigines Call Senate Committee's Attention to Error in Bill and Change Is Promised.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Twelve Grow chiefs appeared before the Senate Indian committee to protest generally against the Government's handling of their affairs and particularly against the proposed opening of the Crow reservation to white settlers and a pending bill to authorize an irrigation and power project in the Big Horn River canyon.

The Indians called attention to the fact that, although their tribe owns the Big Horn site, the bill proposes to divide the payment for the site and future lease revenues between the state of Montana and the reclamation service. Chairman Walsh said this was the result of an error and that the tribe would be substituted for the reclamation service by the committee.

AUTHORSHIP IS DENIED

Milton's 'Paradise Lost' Declared to Be Plagiarism From Dutch.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Claims that Jogt Van Den Vondel, the Dutch writer, and not John Milton, was the true father of "Paradise Lost," were made by Professor Leonard C. Van Noppen, Queen Wilhelmina lecturer at Columbia University in an address at the University of Chicago, it was learned today.

Professor Van Noppen asserted that the essential features of the poem were taken from a work called "Lucifer," written by Vondel and embellished by a few rhythmic phrases, he said he had 200 pages of parallels from the works of the two men.

RIDDLE PAIR ASK \$32,000

Damages Sought From Millionaire Following Auto Accident.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—Two suits for \$32,000 each, aggregating \$64,000 growing out of an automobile accident in Oregon last June, in which James I. Flood, millionaire, is named defendant, were begun today in the United States District Court. C. R. Pardee and Clara Pardee, his wife, of Riddle, Or., are the plaintiffs.

It is alleged Mrs. Pardee was seriously injured June 21, 1916, while riding in an automobile with her husband, in being thrown from the machine on a mountain road near Riddle by a machine, in which Flood was riding, running into the rear end of the Pardee machine.

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OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 31.—Admitting for the first time that, because of improvements at the mouth of the Columbia River, "there would be no delay on the part of any vessel in the Government service in getting in and out of the Columbia River en route to and from Portland," Quartermaster-General Sharpe, of the Army, in a letter to Senator Chamberlain, today offers to call for Portland, as well as Seattle and San Francisco, delivery on future large contracts for Army supplies, provided free dockage facilities are assured the Government at Portland.

This assurance is given in response to the Senator's request that Portland delivery be called for on a pending Hawaiian cement contract.

Request Made Too Late.

The Quartermaster-General says that it is too late to specify Portland delivery on that particular contract, for it was not until long after bids had been invited that the Portland Chamber of Commerce offered dockage facilities equal to those enjoyed by the Government at San Francisco and Seattle. In the future, however, when supplies are to be purchased the Portland Chamber of Commerce will be notified sufficiently in advance so that they may, if so inclined, offer free dockage at Portland.

The Quartermaster-General further says that shipping conditions on the Pacific are not such as to justify the establishment of a quartermaster depot at Portland, as there is no boat line from Portland to Alaska, to Hawaii or the Philippines. Had he known in time that the city of Portland was ready to provide dockage facilities for the assembling of cement, without extra cost to the Government, Portland would have been designated one of the points of delivery in the pending call for bids. To have designated Portland, when this information was not available, he says, would have put the Government at the mercy of the Portland dock owners.

Procedure Is Outlined.

"This office," continues General Sharpe, "is more than willing to meet the local authorities in any future arrangements that may be arrived at should shipments of a similar character be made."

"It is suggested that the Portland Chamber of Commerce be advised that this office will communicate with them when large quantities of material are to be purchased in the future along the Pacific Coast, with a view to enabling the Government to make arrangements for such material as is contemplated to be assembled at Portland, as well as other points, provided this arrangement can be made without involving any additional cost to the Government for dockage facilities. This is the only feasible way that Portland can share in the future shipments, so far as seen by this office."

TACOMA JUDGE CENSURED

Pardon of Convicted Dry Law Violators Stirs Colleagues.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—Superior Judge Clifford hit a slap at Superior Judge Card today when he publicly asserted that a judge should not have the right to pardon convicted dry law violators and let off a portion of the sentence. He asserted that such power should be reserved to the legislature.

Attorney Dix H. Rowland, president of the Tacoma "dry" committee, interviewed Judge Card today and said that he had notified Sheriff Leonard that he had no right to release the prisoners even when an order was given by a judge of record.

WINTER GRIPS ALL FRANCE

Weather Is Most Severe Experienced Since 1893.

PARIS, Jan. 31.—France is experiencing the most severe winter since 1893. For the last week the thermometer has never been higher than 28 degrees Fahrenheit, except in the extreme south. The cold reached even the most southerly point yesterday and affected such favored spots as Nice and Cannes, while at Cettie there were 11 degrees of frost. At Paris, at the same time, the mercury fell to 14, at Belfort 8, at Lyons to 5, while the Port of Nantes was frozen up notwithstanding the efforts of icebreakers.

The Seine, Marne and Saone are full of floating ice and the backwaters are completely frozen over. If the frost continues a few days more the whole surface of the rivers will be covered and all traffic will be stopped.

German Correspondents Get Crosses.

BERLIN, Jan. 10.—Four of Germany's best known war correspondents, who since the beginning of the war have "covered" the east, west and southeast fronts for well known Berlin and provincial papers, have received the Iron Cross, second-class, for their services to the fatherland. The recipients are Wilhelm Scheuermann, Rolf Brand, Professor Georg Meisner and Herr Katch. Aside from one or two authors and special writers, they are the first newspapermen to be so distinguished.

Newsman Nominated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—D. H. Macadam, for many years Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Republic, was nominated by President Wilson today as postmaster at Honolulu. He is employed in the Postoffice Department and worked for the Democratic National Committee in the last campaign.

French Retake Lines.

PARIS, Jan. 31.—A French detachment penetrated the first two lines of German trenches in Lorraine south of Leintrey last night, says today's official report. All the occupants of the trenches were routed and prisoners were taken.



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DAYLIGHT PLAN UP

National Chamber of Commerce Favors Adoption.

PRESIDENT APPROVES IDEA

Substitution of Cool Morning Working Hour for Warm Afternoon Period in Summer One Object of Proposed Change.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Congressional action to authorize the setting of all clocks in the country one hour ahead of the present standard time was recommended today by the National Chamber of Commerce of the United States at the opening of its fifth annual meeting, which will conclude Friday night by a committee on "daylight saving." As an alternative the committee suggested the plan at least for the months between April 1 and December 1.

Eight hundred National and local commercial organizations were said to be represented at the meeting.

The committee report on daylight saving said:

"The considerations supporting this proposal are physiological, economic and social. It will substitute a cool morning working hour in summer for a warm afternoon hour. Increased daylight in the hours of greatest fatigue will tend to lessen tuberculosis, will decidedly reduce eye strain, will increase personal efficiency and materially lessen industrial accidents. In cities the advantage of having the evening 'rush' hour when transportation facilities are taxed come in daylight is apparent."

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look at as a rare painting—brunette with a face and form that reminds one of old Spain, and a full, sweet voice that makes her songs infinitely attractive. Her costumes in stunner.

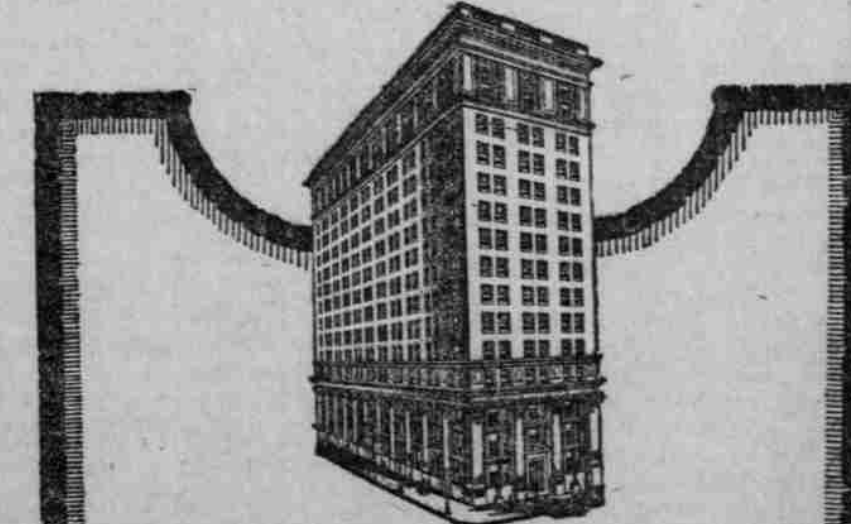
De Loy and La Mar are entertaining and clever. They have a line of song and patter that is attractive.

Scott and Anetta present an acrobatic act of well-worked-out stunts in hand-and-head balancing.

The Bluebird film feature with the new bill is "The Devil's Payday," in which Franklyn Farum is featured. There is a striking touch of mysticism injected into the drama, which adds to its fascination.

French Raise German Air Losses

PARIS, Jan. 31.—A semi-official statement was issued today concerning a German assertion that the Germans lost only 221 airplanes last year. The records show that 417 German machines were shot down by aviators, that 195 other machines were brought down, having been badly injured, if not destroyed, and that 29 captive balloons were blown up.



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