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WILSON MAY DECIDE ON BONE-DRY NATION

Senate Sub-Committee Would Give Power.

CONTROL EXTENSION FAVORED

Measure Recently Passed by House Is Rewritten.

EARLY REPORT IS LIKELY

Agricultural Committee Is Expected to Submit Bill Without Material Change for Discussion in Upper Chamber.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—The Administration food-control bill, passed by the House, was rewritten today by a Senate agriculture sub-committee so as to give President Wilson the power and responsibility of deciding whether the Nation shall be "bone dry" during the war and to place iron and steel and many other products, in addition to food and fuel, under Government control.

Both advocates and opponents predicted passage tonight by Saturday.

Provisions Are Substituted.

As a substitute for the House prohibition sections, which, without qualification, forbid the manufacture of foodstuffs into liquor, the committee adopted provisions which would prohibit manufacture during the war of all intoxicating beverages and empower the President to commandeer existing supplies of distilled spirits, but would authorize the Executive in his discretion to permit manufacture of malted, fermented and vinous beverages and fix their alcoholic content.

As rewritten, the sub-committee draft will be considered tomorrow by the agriculture committee and probably will be reported at once for Senate discussion without material change.

Sensors Gore, Smith of Georgia, and others prominent in the bitter fight against the legislation have announced their support for the re-drafted measure. Future debate promised to center upon the exemption question, with leaders predicting an extremely close final vote.

Food for Liquor Forbid.

For the House prohibition plan, the sub-committee substitute provides: "That from and after 30 days from the date of the approval of this act it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to use in the manufacture of any intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes any perishable or non-perishable feeds, foods or food materials.

"Whenever the President shall find it necessary to conserve the perishable products named he is empowered to permit the use of such products in the manufacture of vinous liquors.

"Whenever, in the judgment of the President, the public interest would be subserved thereby, he is empowered to permit the limited use of the materials mentioned in the manufacture of malt or fermented liquors and to prescribe the alcoholic content thereof."

Another section adopted would authorize the President to take over any or all distilled spirits now in bond, upon payment of a reasonable and just price to distillers, for re-distillation into alcohol for war, industrial or other non-beverage purposes.

Time for Decision Given.

The 30-day provision is designed to give time to the President to decide whether further manufacture of beer, wine and light beverages shall be permitted and for consumers and manufacturers to prepare for what the President may decide.

Should the President not exert his authority so as to exempt malt, fermented and vinous beverages from the sweeping prohibitory provisions and should he commandeer distilled spirits in bond, "bone dry" National prohibition—of both manufacture and consumption—would result, entailing a loss of Federal revenue estimated between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000 and new taxation measures as well as local revenue deductions.

FINN TROOPS NEAR BORDER

Russia Would Prevent Return of Men Who Fought for Germany.

PETROGRAD, June 26.—The Russian Volla says that 3000 Finnish volunteers who formerly served in the German army are expected to attempt to enter Finland shortly. The border guard has been increased and strict orders have been issued to prevent their crossing.

The central committee of the Finnish Social Democratic Workers' party has protested strongly against the non-admittance of the Finns to Finland.

CARGO OF GOLD ARRIVES

\$400,000 in Bullion and \$150,000 in Furs Reach Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 26.—The steamship Humboldt arrived from Southeastern Alaska today with \$400,000 of gold bullion from mining camps along the Yukon.

Furs valued at \$150,000 also were brought.

HIGH EX-OFFICER IN VATICAN IS SPY

FORMER CHAMBERLAIN TO POPE CONVICTED IN ITALY.

Verdict Reached After Accused Austrian Prelate's Departure. Holy See Absolved.

PARIS, June 26.—The judgment of the Italian court which tried Monsignor von Gerlach, the Austrian prelate who was formerly private chamberlain to the Pope, on a charge of espionage, found him guilty and, although he had left Italy long ago, sentenced him to imprisonment for life, now has been published.

It shows that the court found that none of the acts of which Monsignor von Gerlach was accused were committed within the Vatican or other places occupied by the Holy See, which was entirely absolved from knowledge of any of the persons under examination.

Investigation of Monsignor von Gerlach's activities was begun in Rome after the Italian battleships Benedetto Brin and Leonardo Da Vinci were blown up and one of the plotters, an Italian named Ambrogetti, was reported to have confessed that he was the financial agent of Von Gerlach. A Berlin dispatch last January reported his arrival in Lugano, Switzerland, after having been forced to leave Rome.

WOMEN SELL MANY PAPERS

Copies of The Oregonian Bring \$1 for Red Cross.

Mrs. Ruth Paxton, 337 College street, and Mrs. Peggy Wood, Karl Hotel, imbued with the Red Cross spirit after the open-air meeting at Sixth and Alder streets Monday night, hurried to The Oregonian office, obtained a bundle of papers and sold the early edition of The Oregonian at Broadway and Washington, realizing \$33.25, which was turned over to the Red Cross committee.

The young women sold between 10 o'clock and midnight and several men paid as high as \$1 for The Oregonian.

The young women went after customers with a vim and only the coldest-hearted got by without buying one. As rewritten, the sub-committee draft will be considered tomorrow by the agriculture committee and probably will be reported at once for Senate discussion without material change.

Command Not Announced

Answer as to Status of American Army Denied in Parliament.

LONDON, June 26.—Joseph King, Liberal member for North Somerset, asked in the House of Commons today whether the "American soldiers now on the western front are under the supreme command of the French generalissimo or General Haig or the American general." Henry William Foster, Financial Secretary of War, replied: "The American Government will doubtless make suitable announcement as to the disposal of their forces when they consider it opportune to do so."

GERMAN BOYS PATRIOTIC

Irvin Bork Gives Up \$5000 Crop Prospects to Go Into Artillery.

DAVENPORT, Wash., June 26.—(Special.)—Irvin Bork, a young German farmer of Davenport, has set a patriotic example by disposing of his personal property for \$5000 and leasing his land and then joining the heavy artillery as a private.

"The American Government will doubtless make suitable announcement as to the disposal of their forces when they consider it opportune to do so."

A brother of young Bork is in the aviation corps at San Francisco. Their father was born in Germany.

MONTANA SOLDIER KILLED

Shot Fired by Associate Is Declared Accidental.

MISSOULA, Mont., June 26.—Corporal Clarence Shaw, E Company, Second Montana National Guard, was shot through the heart and instantly killed today by Acting Sergeant Arthur Kline, of the same company. The shooting was accidental, reports say.

The tragedy occurred near a railroad construction camp the men were guarding. Shaw enlisted at Miles City, Mont., and gave his home as Pryor, Okla. Kline's home is in Denver.

BILLION LENT TO ALLIES

America Has Advanced \$550,000,000 to England for War.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—American loans to the allies passed the billion dollar mark today when the treasury placed \$15,000,000 to the credit of Great Britain and \$10,000,000 to France's account.

DEWEY'S HISTORIC FLAGSHIP WRECKED

Cruiser Olympia Hits Off Rhode Island.

ONE SAILOR LOSES HIS LIFE

Vessel Is in Bad Position and Greatly Damaged.

CREW ABANDONS WARSHIP

Accident to Coast Patrol Leader Occurs in Fog During Practice at Shooting—Fleet Is Standing by Stranded Vessel.

BLOCK ISLAND, R. I., June 26.—The United States cruiser Olympia, Admiral Dewey's flagship at the battle of Manila, ran aground in the fog off Block Island early today.

The cruiser was reported in a bad position, with considerable water in her hold.

Chief Machinist's Mate William M. Babb lost his life when he was struck on the head by a falling hatch. No other fatalities were reported.

Warships Standing By.

Warships and wrecking vessels were standing by the ship tonight.

The sea remained calm but it was reported that as a precautionary measure a part of the crew had been taken off.

The Olympia put out yesterday for target practice, and it is supposed she struck during the thick fog, which stretched far out from shore.

Details of her exact position could not be learned.

The Olympia was recently assigned as the flagship of the coast patrol fleet of the second naval district.

Danger Not Great.

Immediately after she flashed out word of her mishap members of the patrol fleet went to her assistance, but it was found that the famous old warship was in no immediate danger of breaking up.

NEWPORT, R. I., June 26.—The crew of the cruiser Olympia, which went on the rocks off Block Island today, abandoned the ship on orders and were brought to the naval station here today.

Other warships are standing by. She was reported to be badly damaged.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Reports to the Navy Department tonight indicated that while the Olympia was seriously damaged, she was resting easily in shoal water and is in no further danger.

Ship Resting Easily.

The department's announcement regarding the accident says: "Monday afternoon U. S. S. Olympia (Concluded on Page 2, Column 2.)"

LOVED WIFE GIVEN UP TO HER AFFINITY

MATE OF OTHER MAN ALSO AGREES TO STEP ASIDE.

Mrs. Charles R. Hamsley, 39-Year-Old Beauty, of Evansville, and Elwood Matlack Are Principals.

CHICAGO, June 26.—(Special.)—Charles R. Hamsley, 3812 Park Place, loves his wife so much that he is going to give her up to an affinity. He announced today that he intended to sue for divorce immediately.

Mrs. Hamsley, who is a student in the School of Natural Science and a "big sister" in the Illinois Aid Society, standing at her husband's side, called him a "big, noble-hearted man," and said she regretted causing him sorrow, but would join her "soulmate" as soon as the law allowed.

The soulmate is Elwood Matlack, a resident of Webster Grove, a suburb of St. Louis. He is married, but his wife does not look at this romance as a scandal.

At a conference at the Hamsley home, and Mrs. Matlack has consented to get a divorce.

"There is nothing to say except that I am both very happy and very sorry," said Mrs. Hamsley. "I am overjoyed to have found Mr. Matlack. We love each other dearly. It seems as if our souls have been groping for each other for ages."

Mr. and Mrs. Hamsley were married in Evansville, Ind., September 7, 1913. Mrs. Hamsley is the daughter of Jacob Metzger, a wholesale dealer of Cincinnati. She is 33 years old and counted a beauty.

RESERVE CASH DISTRIBUTED

Government Orders Proceeds of Liberty Loan to Smaller Banks.

NEW YORK, June 26.—The Federal reserve bank here received directions from Secretary of the Treasury today to distribute among the banks of this district between \$30,000,000 and \$100,000,000 of Government money now on deposit, largely accruing from liberty loan subscriptions.

It was understood here that similar action would be taken in all the other Federal reserve districts.

AGED CONVICTS RETAKEN

Wanderers Nearly Freeze When Out Over Night.

FOLSOM, Cal., June 26.—Prison guards today found the two aged escaped convicts, Dick Larkin and Bill Nye, sitting beneath a tree near White Rock, a few miles from the prison.

The wanderers, who escaped Sunday were not sorry to see their captors approaching and made no effort to hide. Last night they nearly froze.

"U. S. Flying Corps" Arrives.

LONDON, June 26.—A small contingent of the United States Flying Corps arrived in England yesterday wearing civilian clothes with blue silk armlets, bearing white letters "United States Flying Corps."

FRENCH TROOPS ARE AGAIN IN ATHENS

Entry Forthcoming—Germans.

VENIZELOS REACHES CAPITAL

Entry Into War Against Germans to Be Proposed.

PEOPLE TO BE EDUCATED

New Premier-Elect Expects to Be Able to Send Nation's Entire Military Force to Front Within Three Months.

LONDON, June 26.—A dispatch to the Times from Athens says French troops yesterday entered Athens and occupied several points in the city.

A Reuter dispatch from Athens says there was a demonstration in the city on Sunday night and that the allied troops entered the city to assist in maintenance of order.

Ex-Premier's Party Blamed.

The demonstration was organized by a number of reservists and sailors under the leadership of followers of Demetrios Gounaris.

(M. Gounaris, ex-Greek Premier, was one of the pro-German group around King Constantine. He was deported after the abdication of Constantine.)

This is the second time since the war that troops have been sent to Athens. The previous instance was December, 1915.

Venizelos Reaches Athens.

Soon after landing they were fired upon by Greek troops. They were withdrawn after the Greek government had acceded to the allies' demands for preparation.

PARIS, June 26.—A Havas dispatch from Athens says that ex-Premier Venizelos, who has been commissioned by King Alexander to form a new Cabinet, arrived at Athens yesterday and will be received by the King.

People to Be Educated.

He does not intend, however, to mobilize the nation against its will. He is expected, first, to undertake a great campaign, explaining to the people that Greece's interests are bound up in the entente cause.

If his mission is successful, he will be able in about three months to put the entire forces of Greece into the balance.

A Reuter dispatch from Athens says it is stated on authority that M. (Concluded on Page 6, Column 2.)

WEALTHY WOMAN WITHDRAWS SUIT

MR. AND MRS. RALSTON WILBUR OF SPOKANE RECONCILED.

Husband, of Whom Accounting for \$130,000 Was Demanded, Is Now Captain of Engineers.

SPOKANE, Wash., June 26.—(Special.)—The divorce action of Mrs. Sarah E. Smith Wilbur, millionaire mineowner, against Raisten T. Wilbur, pending in the local Superior Court, will be dismissed and the pair will be reconciled to each other, according to information from an authoritative source today.

Mrs. Wilbur declined to make any statement in the matter, but did not deny the report of a reconciliation.

Bringing of the divorce action by Mrs. Wilbur followed less than a year of married life. She asked for an accounting with her husband, who she declared, has received more than \$130,000 from her for investments.

After the suit was filed Mr. Wilbur was commissioned as a Captain in the Engineering Department of the Officers' Reserve Corps and was at the Presidio training camp for a time.

Mrs. Wilbur is a heavy owner and a director of the Hecla mine, a big producer of the Coeur d'Alene.

GUARDS FIND DYNAMITE

Discovery of Explosive Near Soldiers' Camp Starts Investigation.

ST. PAUL, June 26.—An investigation into the circumstances surrounding the finding of 60 sticks of dynamite near the camp of the First Minnesota Infantry at Fort Snelling Sunday night by guards was ordered late today by Brigadier-General William H. Sage.

The explosive was found by two guards after they had challenged a man who was crawling on his hands and knees through the woods and he had fled. The guards declared that the man was wearing an olive drab uniform.

SPECIAL COURSES OFFERED

Navy Department to Train Medical Men for Specialized Duty.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Institution of courses of instruction for members of the Medical Corps of the Navy to equip them for work along special lines, in leading medical schools of New York, Chicago and San Francisco, was announced today by the Navy Department.

Von Tirpitz Is Ill.

GENEVA, June 26.—Admiral Frederick von Tirpitz, German ex-Minister of Marine, has arrived at St. Binsale, in the Black Forest. He is suffering seriously from diabetes.

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BRITISH DRAW NET TIGHT ABOUT LENS

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CANADIANS CAPTURE VILLAGE

Great Craters Dug by Germans Are Discovered in Roads.

HOUSES ARE BLOWN UP

French Capture Entire First Line of Trenches by Surprise Rush and Take More Than 300, Says War Office.

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS. BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, June 26.—The British are closing in about Lens. After the capture on Sunday of fosse 3 and enemy trenches west from the hill and from the lines immediately south of the Souchez River, several new positions have been occupied in this region near Lens. Patrols are advancing across the plains in an easterly direction.

Lens Being Encircled.

Thus the great mining center is being slowly encircled. For weeks Lens has not been exploited economically by the Germans and now is directly menaced by the military.

CANADIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, June 26.—Canadian troops entered the village of La Coulette this morning. The Germans have withdrawn in this neighborhood from a line about one and three-quarters miles long.

The German retirement ceased last night. Patrols sent out opposite Maricourt and to the south found the enemy's front line strongly held. The Germans have made huge craters in all crossroads in Avion and leading towards Lens. These craters did not exist 48 hours ago.

Advance Costs but Little.

In their general advance on Lens the Canadians have occupied the strongest outpost in the defense of that place and have pushed their troops toward La Coulette. The increasing pressure on the enemy in the Souchez Valley during the last few weeks has brought signal success to the British arms with relatively slight loss.

Several days ago the Germans were known to be destroying houses in the western part of Lens with the object of giving a wider area of fire for their guns. That may indicate the intention of clinging to the eastern side of the city and prolonging the struggle by house-to-house fighting.

PARIS, June 26.—The French made a surprise attack northwest of Hurbles last night, after brief artillery preparation. The War Office announces the capture of the entire first line German trenches which were held against desperate counter-attacks. More than 300 prisoners were taken.

LONDON, June 26.—"There was a successful local operation last night northwest of Fontain-les-Croisilles, resulting in the capture of a number of German prisoners," says today's official statement. "A hostile raiding party was repulsed in the night west of La Baese."

BERLIN, via London, June 26.—The French troops which penetrated the German lines northwest of Hurbles on the Alsace front were subjected to a counter-attack and ejected from the greater part of the positions they had occupied, army headquarters announced today.

Great quantities of ammunition are being expended in artillery fire along the front held by Crown Prince Rupprecht (the British front in Belgium and Northern France), the statement declares.

SLEUTHS TO GUARD COURT

Prosecutor of Emma Goldman Is Threatened With Death.

NEW YORK, June 26.—Six Department of Justice agents were assigned tonight to guard Federal Judge Mayer at the trial, beginning here tomorrow, of Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman, anarchists, arrested here recently, charged with attempting to defeat the selective draft law.

It was announced that Harold A. Content, the Federal Assistant District Attorney, who will try the case, had been threatened with death in letters he received.

RABIES ATTACK IS FEARED

Wagontire Rancher, Bitten by Wildcat, to Receive Treatment.

BEND, Or., June 26.—(Special.)—A. T. Donovan, of Wagontire, left last night for Portland to obtain the Pasteur treatment for rabies, which he fears he may be subject to as the result of the bite of a wildcat.

Mr. Donovan was attacked by the animal as he was leading a team of horses across one of his fields. He was able to kill the beast and has taken the head with him for examination.

JUST A LITTLE DRIVE FROM THE OREGON WOODS.

RED CROSS APPOINTMENT BY 67% EXCEEDED

LIBERTY LOAN 43.5% OVER-SUBSCRIBED

GOTT STRAFE OREGON!