

POLICE RETIRE MOB AFTER HARD FIGHT

Publishing of Telegrams Sent by Count von Luxburg Results in Demonstrations.

HUNS' PROPERTY GUARDED

Certainty Expressed That Congress Will Demand Explanation From Government Regarding Telegrams Sent by Von Luxburg.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 21.—As the result of the publication of the telegram sent by Count von Luxburg, the former German minister, to the Berlin Foreign Office, it is said, has been necessary to call out mounted police to disperse crowds of people who demanded a rupture of relations with Germany. The mob, which was shouting "Long live the republic!" and "Death to President Irogoyen!" was dispersed after a fight with the mounted police in the Calle Florida.

Heavy guards again have been placed over the property owned by Germans in the city, and mounted men also are guarding the office of the newspaper La Union, for which Count von Luxburg obtained a subsidy.

In political circles certainty is expressed that Congress will demand explanations from the government regarding the state of affairs as exposed by the von Luxburg telegram. The general belief is that the publication of the documents will lead to new demands for the severance of relations with Germany, Congress having already refused to sanction the budget appropriation for continuing the Argentine Legation in Berlin, which was insisted on by the organs of President Irogoyen.

Street comments indicate that the public is not satisfied with the government's statement which accompanied the publication of the von Luxburg telegram.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 21.—The newspaper La Patria Degli Italiani, in commenting on the publication by the Argentine government of the secret diplomatic telegram of Count von Luxburg, the former German minister to Argentina, says:

"We would like to believe the government's note introducing the telegram, but its words of today do not agree with the facts of yesterday. The government answers the telegram with simple affirmation and without proofs. No one can deny the facts of the last months."

Clearing of Vessels Impeded.

The newspaper then summarized the evidence in the affair, saying:

"Count von Luxburg assured Germany of President Irogoyen's friendship, which has been confirmed by his patience in awaiting the Toro note until August 28; von Luxburg speaks of the agreement with Irogoyen in which it was specified that no more Argentine ships should sail for the war zone, and it is a fact that since August 28 the government has impeded and often refused clearing any vessel carrying the Argentine flag. Nothing more has been said of the Orizaba, which was sunk."

"It also is true that in October this government proclaimed its friendship for Spain and Japan, as predicted by von Luxburg, on August 18. If the telegram are false, von Luxburg forecasted events which later happened and many international circumstances occurred as he predicted."

Words and Acts Conflicting.

"Argentina tried to prevent the visit of the American squadron and the public wondered why von Luxburg ex-

plains to his government the repugnance of Irogoyen toward Americans and the English. Fernando Saguer went to Bolivia and Chile apparently on a visit of courtesy, but von Luxburg explains that 'Friend Saguer' was emboldened with ample powers to arrange a secret agreement against the United States."

"Von Luxburg now is without authority from both Germany and Argentina, although Germany gave him confidential instruction after these most notorious telegrams, and Argentina, after giving him his passport, permits him to remain undisturbed in the country."

"Why? His friends say it is because Argentina knows that he can reveal further scandals when he reaches Berlin. This contradiction between the words of the government today, and its acts of yesterday perplexes us."

ONE DEAD, ONE DYING

SHOOTING FOLLOWS ALLEGED DISLOYAL UTTERANCES.

Supposed Pro-German Flee, but Is Captured and Later Shot by Member of Posse.

MALDEN, Mo., Dec. 21.—Marshal R. S. St. Clair, of this city, is dead and his slayer, L. H. Wissman, of Havana, Ill., is said to be dying as the result of a demonstration which followed alleged disloyal remarks by Wissman here today.

According to several witnesses, Wissman, when appealed to today by Red Cross workers, made remarks derogatory to the government. The City Marshal attempted to arrest the man, Wissman resisted arrest and, according to persons who were present, in the scuffle that followed, shot and killed St. Clair.

Wissman then fled, but was captured by a posse and brought here. A large crowd gathered and threatened to storm the jail and take the prisoner. While the Sheriff and his deputies held the crowd back, the crowd fired a shot through the jail window, fatally wounding Wissman, according to Dr. E. F. Harrison, coroner.

Progress of the War.

The Italians on the northern line in Italy between the Brenna and Piave rivers have ceased, for the time being at least, their defensive warfare against the attacks of the Austro-Germans and secured the offensive with signal successes on several sectors.

Attacking the positions which the enemy had taken in the week captured near Monte Asolone, General Diaz's troops have regained a considerable portion of the terrain and held it, notwithstanding the enemy's terrific artillery fire.

The German War office, in endeavoring to belittle the success of the offensive, which it asserts was repulsed, shows that the effort of the Italians was a determined one, the troops to the west of Monte Asolone delivering seven attacks against the enemy front. The German communication admits that the Italians also have taken the initiative in the fighting on Monte Pertica and Monte Solarolo, but it is declared that their attacks on these sectors, as on Monte Asolone, were without success.

Comparative quietude still prevails on the British front in France and Belgium, and along the French line running from the region of St. Quentin to the Swiss border, except for bombardments and minor infantry operations. From the Verdun region to Hartmann's Weilerkopf, in Alsace, the artillery activity has been pronounced on various sectors.

The situation in Russia continues obscure, although such reports as are coming through indicate that the Bolshevik movement is losing ground in the face of the opposition from the Ukrainians and the followers of General Kaledin.

A dispatch from Petrograd says an official report in circulation in the Russian capital is to the effect that the Germans have rejected the peace terms, put forward by the Bolshevik delegates. Recent dispatches have indicated that the peace purporting to be preliminary to the peace conference which is to assemble there next Tuesday, and which is to be attended by the German and Austro-Hungarian Foreign Ministers.

AGED MERCHANT IS DEAD

George Frederick Moeck Came to Oregon in Year 1871.

RAINIER, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—George Frederick Moeck, pioneer of this county, died at 11:30 this morning. Mr. Moeck was born in Willmenden, Wurtemberg, Germany, March 25, 1837. He came to America in April, 1854, and in October, 1871, lost to Rainier, where he opened a general merchandise store. He was married to Margaret Jane Gilbreath on October 25, 1872.

Mr. Moeck is survived by his wife and six children: Elizabeth, George F. Jr., and Grace A. Reid, of this city; Mrs. Anna K. Hedger, of The Dalles; Mable and Gretchen Moeck, of Shelby, Mont.; John E. Moeck, a brother, resides at Hudson, Ohio.

LAST ALAMO FIGHTER DEAD

Enrique Esparsa Passes Away at San Antonio Home.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 21.—Enrique Esparsa, last survivor of the Alamo, is dead. When March 6, 1836, Santa Ana stormed the final and successful assault on the chapel where a handful of Americans fought to their death, surrounded by piles of Mexican dead, the victors found a group of Mexican women in a barricaded section of the front of the building. Among them was an 8-year-old lad, Enrique Esparsa, who died at his home here last night, aged 89.

Admiral Griffin Renominated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Rear-Admiral Griffin was renominated by President Wilson today to succeed himself as chief of the Navy's bureau of steam engineering. Ordinarily the bureau chiefs do not succeed themselves, but the war is breaking department precedents.

Naval Lieutenant Killed.

A PHILIPPINE ISLAND PORT, Dec. 21.—Lieutenant John A. L. Zenor, United States Navy, died today of injuries he received when he fell through the hatch of a warship while supervising the loading of coal.

Belgium Gets Two Millions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Two million dollars lent to Belgium today brought the total of American credits to that country to \$9,900,000. Credits to all the allied countries now aggregate \$2,837,900,000.

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Satin Sets at 49c, 98c, \$1.50, \$2.00 up to \$3.00
Georgette Crepe Collars at 49c, 98c up to \$1.75
Satin Vests at \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 up to \$2.75
Lace and Net Stocks at 49c, 98c up to \$3.50
Georgette Stocks at \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25 up to \$3.00

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Horsman's Baby Dolls in 14-inch height at \$1.50
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Baby Dolls with long dresses, 14-inch height, at \$1.00
Horsman's Baby Dolls in 12-inch height at \$1.50
Dutch Boy Dolls in 14-inch height, special at \$1.00
Mother Goose Dolls in 12-inch height, special at 50c

Character Dolls in 18-inch height, special at 50c
K and K Girl Dolls in 15-inch height at \$1.50
Scotch Lassie Dolls in 12-inch height at 50c
Mother Goose Dolls in 18-inch height at \$2.00
Baby Dolls with hair, 12-inch height, at \$1.00
Metal Wheel Doll Carts of good size at 75c
Rubber Tire Doll Carts of good size at \$1.00
Rubber Tire Doll Carts with hood at \$1.50
Folding Doll Carts with rubber tires at \$2.25
Collapsible Doll Carts with rubber tires at \$3.50
Happy Hour Paint Books at 25c

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Boys' Pocket Library at 25c
Leather Stacking Tales at 35c
Mother Goose Jingles at 25c
Buster Brown Comics at 25c
Favorite Painting Books at 15c
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Mother Goose, complete at 60c

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Dressing Combs at 25c to \$1.00
Button Hooks at 15c to 50c
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Playing Card Cases at 65c
Perfume Bottles at 69c, 85c, \$1.00
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