

WILSON'S LATEST ACTION IS SCORED

Cable and Express Control Is Assailed.

FEDERAL OWNERSHIP FEARED

Decision to Go to Europe Also Is Criticized.

LEWIS ATTEMPTS DEFENSE

Illinois Senator Fails to Get Recognition, but Offers Resolution for Government Purchase.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—President Wilson's action in taking over control and operation of marine cable systems and express agencies was vigorously criticized today in the Senate by Republican Senators, who said it was part of a plan to establish permanent Government ownership.

The speakers were Senators Watson of Indiana, Kellogg of Minnesota and Sherman of Illinois.

The President was criticized for his decision to go to Europe, and George Keel, chairman of the committee on public information, who has been reported to accompany the President, also was attacked.

Breach of Faith Charged.
Senator Watson denounced the President's action in taking over cable lines as a breach of faith, and charged that their control was inspired by a desire for Government censorship of dispatches during the peace conference, and that the representatives of the European nations at the peace conference were not to be moved at it being said in the American Congress about the conference.

In the midst of the debate Senator Lewis, of Illinois, the Democratic whip, sought to reply to the Republican Senators, but did not get recognition. He did, however, offer a resolution which would put Congress on record as favoring Government ownership of railroads and telegraph and telephone lines.

Power Tenaciously Held.
"Why is that step taken?" asked the senator. "In my belief it is taken simply because the President is loath to give up any of the power that we have clothed him with, and these are not matters about him, including the cabinet, do not intend to relinquish that power unless compelled to do so by legislative action."

"We are left to the wide field of conjecture as to why the President saw fit at this particular time to take over the cables. Certainly no one will claim that he is taking them over as a necessity of war. I take it for granted that the President leaves these shores with all intents and purposes the cables will be cut."

"I take it for granted that he does not intend that any man at the peace shall know what is being said in the House of Representatives and in the floor of this body, and I take it for granted that we are not to know in this side what they are doing."

Creel and Burelion Control.
"With George Creel at that end controlling all of the messages and information, and with Albert Burelion at this end controlling all the sources of information, it is very verbiage in fact, the country may well be warned that it may take at least with a grain of salt whatever is published as to what happens on the other side."

Senator Sherman said there might be some necessity for the President going abroad, but that he could not see it, and added that no provision is made in the constitution for the territorial limits of the United States. The White House, he said, will be moved to Paris and added:

"We are left to the tender mercies of censored cables; passports denied; cables controlled and Creel sitting, an imperial dictator at the source of action."

Senator Kellogg said there was no warranty for taking over the cables and express agencies as the restriction has been signed and added that in his opinion the action is "part of a plan to fasten Government ownership of telegraph, telephone and cable lines on the country."

POSTAL CHIEF ISSUES PROTEST
Postmaster-General Is Accused of Gross Unfairness.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Postal Telegraph Cable Company, announced here today that the annual compensation allowed the Postal Company by Postmaster-General Burelion is \$1,680,000, and reiterated his charges that Mr. Burelion is taking from this company money "which he, to all intents and purposes is paying over to the Western Union Telegraph Company."

A statement given out by Mr. Mackay said:

RACE QUESTION MAY RISE AT CONFERENCE

CHINA AND JAPAN WOULD END DISCRIMINATION.

Nipponese Delegation Will Leave Soon for Peace Meeting by Way of United States.

TOKIO, Wednesday, Nov. 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—Japanese newspapers are suggesting that Japan and China raise the race question at the forthcoming peace conference, with the object of seeking an agreement to the effect that in the future there shall be no further racial discrimination throughout the world.

A Japanese delegation including representatives of the war, navy and foreign ministries and various experts, will soon embark at a Japanese port on a warship bound for the peace conference by way of the United States.

No announcement has yet been made as to whether the chief of the plenipotentiaries will be sent from Japan. The Opposition party is urging the nomination of Viscount Takaaki Kato, ex-Foreign Minister, as head of the delegation.

If the chief plenipotentiary is not chosen from among the statesmen now in Japan, it is most likely that Suteki Chinda, the Japanese Ambassador to Great Britain, or Keshiro Matsui, the Ambassador to France, will represent Japan at the council.

Japanese subordinates to attend the peace conference about to leave Japan include Vice-Admiral Isamu Takahira, who was a naval delegate to the Russo-Japanese peace conference at Portsmouth in 1905, and General Takeji Nara, chief of staff of the Japanese garrison in Tsingtau, on the Shantung peninsula in China.

STEAMER CAMPANIA SINKS

Former Queen of Seas in Collision With Battleship.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—The steamer Campania, once queen of the seas, has sunk in the Firth of Forth, Scotland, during a gale. All on board the vessel were saved.

The Campania broke from her moorings during the gale and collided with a battleship, sinking before she could be heaved.

The date of her sinking has not been made public.

D. R. FRANCIS IN SCOTLAND

American Ambassador to Russia Arrives in British Territory.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—David R. Francis, the American Ambassador to Russia, has arrived at Strathepeffer, Scotland. He stood the trip from Archangel well and was met by his son.

Immediate Action Planned.
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"The machinery of demobilization will be set in motion without delay and will be under way within the next two weeks. The men will be discharged as rapidly as our programme permits, and demobilization will be completed within six weeks or two months. Within the next six months we shall have completed our work in disposing of the spruce production property."

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POSEN SEIZED BY POLES

Police and Soldiers and Workmen Hold Munitions and Food.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 21.—The town of Posen and a great part of the province of Posen in Prussia are in Polish hands, according to the Berlin Vorwaerts.

The police and soldiers' and workmen's organization have taken the reins of power and are forming a legion. They are in possession of munitions and provisions.

CREDIT TO HUNS OPPOSED

Banks Warned Not to Aid Foe Without Depositors' Consent.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Resolutions opposing "any extension of credit by American banks to Germany without the depositors' consent" were adopted here today by the boycott committee of the National Defense Society.

The society announced it would make public the name of any bank extending such loans.

SOLDIERS TO GET MEDALS

Senate Adopts Resolution to Make Bronze Awards.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Bronze medals for all soldiers and sailors who have served in the war are authorized by a resolution adopted by the Senate today and sent to the House.

Senator Pittman, of Nevada, author of the resolution, read a letter from President Wilson indorsing it.

SPRUCE EQUIPMENT SALE IS ORDERED

Demobilization of Men to Start in Two Weeks.

BIDS ON HOLDINGS ARE ASKED

Allies and U. S. Will End Operations in Northwest.

QUICK ACTION IS PLANNED

Brigadier-General Disque Says He Expects No Difficulty in Disposing of Properties.

Within the next 60 days the entire equipment of the Spruce Production Division—timber, mills, logging railroads and a wealth of other material—will be advertised for bids and sold to the highest bidder. Estimates on the value of the property place it at approximately \$10,000,000. Demobilization of the Spruce Division will begin within a fortnight.

Such was the word that Brigadier-General Eric P. Disque, commander of the Spruce Production Division, brought last night, when he returned from several weeks' conference at Washington, D. C. Official information of the disposal of the mammoth Federal property has been eagerly awaited since the order stopping all spruce production and halting the aircraft programme was received.

Property to Be Listed.
"We shall begin at once a general concentration of men, supplies and equipment, and proceed to catalogue the property," said Brigadier-General Disque. "Within 30 to 60 days it will be advertised the length and breadth of America, and will be sold to the highest bidder. Of course, if satisfactory bids are not received we shall continue to hold the properties, until such time as they may be sold to advantage."

"At least four of the logging roads are admirably situated for development, purposes and will be available for service as public utilities. They were built with that end in view, and the cost of construction of these standard lines is at least 33 1-3 per cent less than prevailing railroad construction."

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HOUSE ILL WITH INFLUENZA

Special Representative in Paris Cancels Engagements.

PARIS, Nov. 21.—Colonel E. M. House, special representative of the United States Government, is confined to his home here with influenza. He has canceled his engagements.

BAN LIFTED ON NEW CONSTRUCTION IN U. S.

GOVERNMENT REMOVES ALL WARTIME RESTRICTIONS.

Officials Expect Resumption of Work Will Afford Employment for Thousands of Laborers.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Removal of all remaining restrictions on non-war construction by the War Industries Board was announced tonight by Chairman Baruch.

All building operations of whatever character may now be proceeded with without permits either from the board or the state councils of defense.

This action was taken, Chairman Baruch said, on recommendation of the building industry and the state councils of defense. The councils had been cooperating with the War Industries Board in passing upon applications for building permits.

Officials expect that resumption of work will afford employment for thousands of workmen now being released from war industries.

EX-PRISONERS GET MAIL

War Department Tells How Letters Should Be Addressed.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Letters to American soldiers who were prisoners in Germany when the armistice was signed should be addressed to the company and regiment with which they served before their capture, the War Department announced today. The words "Formerly Prisoner of War in Germany" should be written in the left-hand corner of the envelope.

Christmas packages may be sent to men who were prisoners after capture to be attached to the parcels are obtained by the nearest relatives of the men from any local chapter of the Red Cross.

DUTCH HONOR WILHELMINA

Crowds Pay Homage to Queen When She Appears at Hague.

THE HAGUE, Nov. 18.—Tens of thousands of persons assembled on the Parade today to pay homage to Queen Wilhelmina. The crowds included various Catholic and Protestant societies and large numbers of soldiers. Many persons wore orange-colored badges in honor of the house of Orange.

On the arrival of the royal carriage containing the Queen, her husband, Prince Henry, and the little Princess Juliana, there was a great demonstration, the people unharassing the horses and pulling the carriage out upon the parade ground.

BAVARIAN COUNT HONORED

General Who Refused to Use Poisonous Gas Recognized.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Sunday, Nov. 17.—Count Montgelas, a general in the Bavarian army, who was dismissed at Tynes in 1916 because he refused to use poisonous gas, has been recalled from Switzerland to Munich.

He will enter the Bavarian Cabinet.

HUN FLEET OF 71 SHIPS SURRENDERS

Capitulation Takes Place Off Firth of Forth.

CRAFT WILL BE INTERNED

Mighty Allied Fleet of 400 Warships Meets Enemy.

ONE HUN DESTROYER SINKS

German Warship Hits Mine While Crossing North Sea—Admiral Beatty Commands Allies.

HARWICH, England, Nov. 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Another flotilla of German U-boats surrendered today to a British squadron. There were 19 submarines in all. The 20th, which should have come today, broke down on the way.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—The German high seas fleet surrendered today to the allies in accordance with the terms of the armistice. Official announcement of the surrender was made by the British Admiralty this afternoon.

Following the surrender, which took place east of May Island off the Firth of Forth, the German warships were escorted into the Firth of Forth by the British grand fleet and American and French squadrons. Tomorrow the surrendered fleet will be taken to Scapa Flow, in the Orkney Islands off the northeast coast of Scotland.

Hun Fleet Arrives Early

The Admiralty announcement of the German fleet's capitulation follows: "The commander-in-chief of the grand fleet has reported that at 8:30 o'clock this morning he met the first and main installment of the German high seas fleet which is surrendering for internment."

The British grand fleet, accompanied by an American battle squadron and French cruisers, steamed out at 3 o'clock this morning from its Scottish base to accept the surrender of the German battleships, battle cruisers and destroyers.

One German destroyer while on its way across the North Sea with the other ships of the German high seas fleet to surrender to the allies struck a mine. The destroyer was badly damaged and sank.

Nine Battleships Surrendered

The German fleet which surrendered to the British today consisted of nine battleships, five battle cruisers, seven light cruisers and 50 destroyers.

The surrendered German fleet will be taken to the Scapa Flow tomorrow.

The Scapa Flow is in the middle of the Orkney Islands, off the northeast coast of Scotland. It is a small inland sea, with an area of 50 square miles.

The point of the rendezvous for the allied and German sea forces was between 30 and 40 miles east of May Island, opposite the Firth of Forth.

The fog which had enveloped the grand fleet for three days cleared last night.

U. S. RED CROSS FIRST YANKS ON Foe SOIL

DELEGATION CROSSES RHINE INTO BADEN PROVINCE.

Famished Italian Prisoners Welcome Americans With Cheers as Canteen Opens for Business.

PARIS, Nov. 21.—A delegation of the American Red Cross has crossed the Rhine into Baden at Huningen (Huningen), placing the first Americans on German soil. The place where the river was crossed is a short distance north of the Swiss frontier. The German soldiers accepted American flags and officers cleared the roads for the Red Cross trucks and insisted that the Red Cross workers drink with them.

German soldiers' canteen in Baden are selling German arms and supplies. The population, which is revolutionary, is in complete control. Ragged and famished Italians almost raised the roof of the Red Cross canteen with cheers when the Americans opened the place.

The Red Cross delegation left Switzerland for Alsace Friday, taking with it a truckload of supplies. Two hundred Italian were fed. A canteen was established at St. Louis. Ten thousand Germans passed the canteen, all wearing the revolutionary red ribbon or rosettes. The officers and men carried red flags.

FIRE DESTROYS ARMY CAMP
Clothing and Liberty Bonds.

YUMA, Ariz., Nov. 21.—Fire, fanned by a high wind, swept the camp occupied by two companies of the 25th United States Infantry in the west end of Yuma late today, destroying every building with its contents, save staff headquarters. In addition to being left shelterless the 320 negro troops lost all their arms, equipment, bedding, extra clothing and personal effects, including a large number of liberty bonds. One of the first buildings to catch fire was that in which the ammunition was stored. Explosion of the ammunition hindered the firefighters and permitted the flames to get beyond control.

SLACKERS GET LIQUID FIRE

Burning Oil Will Be Poured Into Underground Hiding Place.

PRINCE ALBERT, Sas., Nov. 21.—Gasoline and kerosene were taken today to Steep Creek, where they will be poured into the tunnels and burned in an attempt to force out two entrenched alleged draft evaders who, according to reports reaching here, killed a deputy sheriff Friday and a soldier member of a posse yesterday. Officers said dynamite would be used if gasoline and oil do not get the men out of their underground hiding place.

JEWS APPEAL TO NATION

Secretary Lansing Urged to Assist in Restoring Rights.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—A delegation of Roumanian Jews of America asked Secretary Lansing today for intervention by the United States in behalf of Jews in Roumania.

They said Roumanian Jews have been restricted in civic rights for many years and they now hope in the social reconstruction of Europe that their lot may be improved.

EX-KAISER FOOD HOARDER

Huge Stocks of Edibles Found Hidden in Former Ruler's Castle.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 21.—According to Berlin advices, enormous stores of foodstuffs were found in the castle of the ex-German Emperor in Berlin.

A member of the Soldiers' and Workmen's Council is authority for the statement that the value of the food normally would be several hundred thousand marks.

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Oregon Launches Plan for Greater Development.

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State Heads Meet and Discuss Back-to-Soil Movement.

WASTE ACREAGE IS EYED

Legislature Will Be Urged to Approve Part of Funds Needed to Finance Undertaking.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—Plans of the Land Settlement Commission to interest the Government in a gigantic Nation-wide move for the returning soldiers in the sub-division and development of large tracts of land, particularly as it applies to the immense acreage in the Willamette Valley in Oregon, were divulged today at a conference between Governor Withycombe, Whitney L. Boise, William H. Crawford, secretary of the Land Settlement Commission; George Quayle, of the Oregon development bureau of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and Professor H. D. Scudder, of the Oregon Agricultural College.

Peace Development Proposed.
It also was brought out at the conference that Mr. Boise and Professor Scudder will leave within a short time for Washington, D. C., to interest Secretaries Lane and Houston in the contemplated move preparatory to taking up with Congress the proposed development work.

The keynote of the situation was expressed by Governor Withycombe when he said that the Government financed the war in terms of billions and there is no reason why peace development should not be financed in the same terms.

While the returning soldiers figure largely in the proposed development plan, it will be open to all citizens, the primary object being to put to use the great waste lands, portions of which are farm properties, but which are lying idle and undeveloped in many sections of the Willamette Valley.

Government Aid Sought.
The proposal is for the Government to finance half of the work and the state to finance the other half. One of the big developments at the meeting today was the statement that the next Legislature will be asked to submit to the people some sort of a proposition to take care of the financing of the state's share of the undertaking. How much this will be dependent upon what the National Government agrees to do.

Much of the proposed development work will be along the line of the sample unit now financed by the Land Settlement Commission south of Independence, where 60 acres are completely modernized and stocked in a way for a family to take up. It is proposed to put all units into this shape, the first payment by the settler in taking it over to be small, and the remainder on a long-time amortization plan.

In Western Oregon alone it is expected thousands of acres can be utilized in this way and populated by prosperous and happy farmers and their families, and that thousands of returned soldiers be made independent.

Governor Outlines Plans.
The Governor made three proposals to the commission as to his idea for the land settlement problem, as follows:

First—Subdivision and improvement of farms, particularly in the Willamette Valley along the line proposed by the Land Settlement Commission.

Second—For the state or Federal Government to take over logged-off lands, either by buying outright, or by the Government exchanging them for lands in forest reserves on a basis of proportionate value and the Government to undertake through modern and least expensive methods, cleaning up of the lands for returning soldiers and young men. He suggests that these lands could be cleared by putting in 10,000 or 15,000 men, as done in the spruce division, a portion of their pay to go toward establishing certain units of land to be homes later for the workmen themselves.

Third—For the Government, at a large expense, to undertake the reclamation of arid wastes which are so large as to be impossible or impracticable for private enterprise to develop.

All of these proposals will be given consideration, and a decision will be made to interest Congress to such an extent that it will be the opening move for development of enormous tracts of land, immensely valuable in themselves, but now practically valueless to the state because of their lying idle and unutilized.

Governor Withycombe will take up the questions involved with Senator McNary following his return to Salem tomorrow, while Mr. Boise and Professor Scudder are interesting the Administration officials in the East.

ILLINOIS PASTOR JAILED

Sentence of Ten Years Imposed for Opposing Loan.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Nov. 21.—Rev. David Gerdes, pastor of a Brethren church in Whiteside County, was sentenced to ten years in the Federal prison by Judge K. M. Landis yesterday. Gerdes pleaded guilty to charges of preaching opposition to the liberty loan and the Red Cross.

John D. Manus, charged with having sent pro-German communications to a Freeport newspaper, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

