

HUN TROOPS SIDE WITH GOVERNMENT

No Mood Shown for Trifling With Bolsheviki.

LIEBKNECHT LOSES POWER

Radical Socialist Leader Rapidly Ceases to Be Factor.

ASSEMBLY SEEMS LIKELY

Ebert Regime Moves in Such Manner as to Give Look of Desiring to Establish Democracy.

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BERLIN, via Copenhagen, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—For five days the city has been filling with troops fully armed. They returned from the front in no mood to trifle with the Bolsheviki.

With this support Herr Ebert has been able to take a clear position in favor of the earliest possible meeting of a constituent assembly, which shall establish a democracy, based on the rule of the majority.

This general statement will clarify the events of Tuesday, when Dr. Karl Liebknecht tried a typical Bolsheviki move at the opening of the National Arbeiter Soldatenrat, with deplorable results to himself and the Spartacus group with which he is identified.

Bolshevik Programme Urged.

When the assembly opened he led a mass of perhaps about 3000 workmen through the streets to Abgeordneten Hall and sent in a delegation to insist upon an immediate hearing. The president of the volkstag, which is the Berlin committee nominally in control of the government, was at the moment in the middle of an address. He yielded the floor to the Spartacus delegates, who declared a complete Bolsheviki programme, which had already been published in the Rote Fahne (Red Flag), organ of the extremists.

Only bad judgment can explain this move, for the body before which the Spartacus delegation appeared had been elected by workers and soldiers, who were alerted to the dangers of Bolshevism and were determined to avoid them.

A majority of those at the meeting showed themselves unfriendly to the Spartacus intruders and were barely willing to hear them. When the visitors demanded that five workmen be armed and that a red guard be formed of the soldiers, the delegates cried: "Out with them!" and the hearers became furious when the Spartacus speakers denounced the national assembly.

The situation was aggravated by the further demand that all the power of government be vested in the Arbeiter Soldatenrat.

"Russian Tactics" Disliked.

It must seem strange to the outside observer that resentment was expressed over the proposition of the Spartacus speakers to vest full powers in the body they were addressing, which would be the five workmen. The political situation in Germany lay right there. The Arbeiter Soldatenrat, which is just meeting, was elected on the issue of a constituent assembly. Majority Socialists, who wish the country as a whole to decide upon the exact form of government, won on the issue by a large majority. Socialists have thus declared themselves for a constituent assembly and against the dictation of the proletariat.

It was against this very body, so elected, that Liebknecht tried his Bolsheviki move. I have heard many members of the body refer scornfully to his course as "Russian tactics." The situation which has been developing constantly for several days has shown political wisdom on the part of the government, for it is making a showing of tending toward real democracy.

Liebknecht's Russian tactics have been continuously carried by Socialists, who by reason of lack of clearness in their programme, had been able to hold the balance of power. The presence of soldiers from the front, on one side, and the leadership of Dr. Liebknecht on the other, in forcing an issue, has led the independents to declare their position. Then it became obvious that half the independents would support the government and that the other half would support the Bolsheviki. Further camouflage must be ineffective. Dr. Liebknecht had been gaining strength rapidly among the industrial elements, but this last rash move has ruined his chances politically.

FROSTS DAMAGE ORANGES

Citrus Crops in Sacramento Valley Virtually Uninjured.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Oranges in the Sacramento Valley were damaged to some extent by the heavy frost which covered the interior of Northern California this morning, according to the United States Weather Bureau here.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 18.—Reports received here today indicated there was virtually no damage to citrus crops in the Sacramento Valley from the frost last night.

Orchardists declared the fruit is so fully matured that only a very severe frost could damage it.

BAD WEATHER DELAYS GREAT FLEET REVIEW

WELCOME TO MEN ON RETURNING SHIPS DECEMBER 26.

Late Arrival at New York to Prevent Crews From Spending Christmas Eve Ashore.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Postponement from December 24 to December 26 of the review of the Atlantic fleet by Secretary Daniels at New York was announced tonight at the Navy Department following receipt of a message from Admiral Mayo, commander of the units of the fleet now returning from European waters.

Admiral Mayo informed the department that bad weather is delaying the returning vessels, and it will be impossible to reach New York until the day after Christmas.

The message from Admiral Mayo was received by Secretary Daniels aboard the Presidential yacht Mayflower at Annapolis and was transmitted to the Navy Department, which issued the following statement: "The Secretary of Navy has received a message from Admiral Mayo, saying that weather in the Atlantic is delaying the progress home of the Atlantic fleet. For that reason it will be necessary to postpone the naval review at New York from December 24 to December 26, as planned for December 25, it was said. The delay in the fleet's arrival at New York will prevent the men spending Christmas eve ashore, as had been planned. However, it was said that generous shore leaves will be granted to the men, as it is expected that the fleet will remain at New York until January 8 or 10."

SHIP APPEAL IS FUTILE

Emergency Fleet Corporation Will Not Change Decision.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—After listening to a plea by Senator McNary in behalf of a more liberal policy in wooden shipbuilding on the Pacific Coast, Manager Charles Pies, of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, declared that the decision of the board will not be changed. He explained that the ships are too small for trans-oceanic traffic because the supply of coal takes so much space needed for cargo, and the ships' cargo capacity is so small that the profit margin is so small that the ships are not profitable.

The proposal to modify the ships for lumber trade had been fully considered and abandoned.

Cancellation of the contracts, payment of penalties and salvage of the materials for which the Government must pay will be the programme.

BAKER FARMER SHOT DOWN

Ira Langley Killed by Unidentified Man Hidden in Brush.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Ira Langley, well-known cattleman of Dixie Creek, near Rye Valley, was shot and killed this morning by an unidentified person who was hidden in the brush near the road.

Mr. Langley was talking with two other ranchers when a shot rang out from the bushes. Langley called out to his companions and fell dead.

The bullet apparently came from a high-power rifle and the slayer made a quick getaway in the brush nearby, leaving no clue. A Sheriff's posse is searching for the slayer.

Mr. Langley leaves his widow and six children.

"DIPPY DANCE" DENOUNCED

Hotel Man Thinks Prohibitionists May Be Placated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A new means of defeating prohibition by abolishing the "dippy cabaret" and the "dippy dance" was advocated here today by Harry Barker, president of the Northern California Hotel Men's Association, in an address before the American Hotel Association convention delegates at Madison Square Garden.

The "dippy dance," Mr. Barker explained, is the kind where the participants touch cheeks and rest heads on shoulders. He said he believed the prohibitionists would consent to the sale of beer and light wines in well-conducted cabarets if "the attendant vice were eliminated."

TRANSPORT CATCHES FIRE

Logan, With Troops Aboard, Fights and Conquers Flames.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The Army transport Logan, which left December 1 with a contingent of troops for Gibraltar, caught fire at sea at midnight last Monday, but the flames were subdued and she is proceeding on her way, the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce announced here today.

The Logan left Honolulu December 14.

BOCHES ASK ANNEXATION

German and Austrian Communists Desire Swiss to Take Them Over.

GENEVA, Dec. 18.—The German communists of Bussinger and Jestetten near Schaffhausen have asked to be attached to Switzerland. Voralberg, part of the Austrian Tyrol, formally has demanded that the Swiss government permit it to enter the Swiss confederation as a new canton.

The Swiss, however, are disinclined to accept the offer.

PEACE AND LEAGUE HELD INSEPARABLE

President's Views Have Undergone No Change.

SERIOUS FRICTION UNLIKELY

Britain Reassured as Regards Freedom of Seas.

ITALIAN KING DUE SHORTLY

Belief Is That Exchanges of Views Now in Progress Will Clear Away Misunderstandings.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—

After four days of gathering views of leaders in France, President Wilson's closest advisers say he has seen no reason to change his belief that the foundation of a league of nations is inseparable from the actual peace treaty itself.

The advisers say that the President, in explaining his definition of "freedom of the seas," will reassure Premier Lloyd George that he has no intention of demanding a reduction of the British navy to a point involving the unsafety of the empire, but will emphasize his feeling that the plan of a league will strengthen the empire.

Italian King Due Soon.

King Victor Emmanuel, who is expected to arrive on Thursday, already has been fully advised of the President's plans through conferences with Count Di Cella, Italian ambassador to the United States, but the President will take the opportunity to make personal explanations to the King and also to make clear his friendliness toward Italy.

The hope is expressed by those surrounding the President that the exchanges of views will clear away any partial misunderstandings which may exist in regard to Mr. Wilson's attitude and prepare the way for the assemblage of the conference with complexities removed, so that it will be ready to deal with principles and any outstanding differences of opinion that remain. In all his conferences the President has taken opportunity to express his views, it is said, by those who are authorized to speak for him that no one nation is entitled to assume the role of master or dictate in manner or the conditions of the representations of others.

Accommodating Spirit Assured.

There is some indication that considerable headway is being made in this direction and that the members of the American mission are now seeing their way clearly. All express the conviction that delegates will enter the conference in a spirit of accommodation.

Some undercurrents are interpreted as showing indications of regret because the acceptance of President Wilson's (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

Official Casualty List.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Casualty reports today contain 1127 names, of which 288 were killed, 119 died of wounds, 21 of accident (two aviators), 270 of disease, 2466 wounded severely, 1399 degree undetermined, 2052 slightly and 537 are missing. Following is the tabulated summary, including the above:

Deaths	Reported	Today	Total
Killed in action	288	263	551
Lochner	1	1	2
Died of wounds	119	119	238
Died of disease	270	270	540
Died of accident	21	21	42
Total deaths	699	674	1373
Wounded	2466	2466	4932
Missing	537	537	1074
Total casualties	3402	3277	6679

Killed in action—

Stephens, J. V. (Cpl.), Pilot Rock, Or.
Beck, James H. (Cpl.), Baker, Or.
Berggren, Harold V. (Cpl.), Starbuck, Ore.
Corbett street, Portland.
Patterson, Lester M., Lebanon, Or.

Died of wounds—
Schultz, Anders C. (Cpl.), Moro, Or.
Tucker, Frank W. (Cpl.), Starbuck, Or.
Lorenz, Paul A., Grants Pass, Or.
Berglund, Fred J. A. Breen, 512 North Forty-fourth street, Portland, Or.

Died of disease—
Gardner, J. E. (Cpl.), Salem, Or.
Tomson, Nick, Hubbard, Or.

Wounded severely—
Phillips, D. T. (Lt.), Portland, Or.
Nichols, Lewis H. (Cpl.), Baker, Or.
Konice, Fred L., Ontario, Or.
Chase, Fenton W., Suplee, Ore.

Wounded slightly—
Vandenburg, Chester A., Cottage Grove, Or.
Miller, John C., Brownsville, Or.
Wallis, Paul N., Seaside, Or.
Worthington, J. C., Portland, Or.
Moore, Marshall D., Newberg, Or.
Hopper, Roy K., Beaverton, Or.

Wounded, degree undetermined—
Reed, Roy H., Medford, Or.
Schwob, Henry C., Oregon City, Or.
Ventura, Sam, Portland, Or.
Robertson, Harvey V., Sheridan, Or.

Missing in action—
Reed, Roy H., Medford, Or.
Schwob, Henry C., Oregon City, Or.
Ventura, Sam, Portland, Or.
Robertson, Harvey V., Sheridan, Or.

Killed in action—
Bjork, George (Cpl.), Nissa, Or.
Hutchinson, Charles E., Roseburg, Or.
Kieling, Louis E., East Side, Or.
Nelson, Arthur W., Portland, Or.
Hawkins, Sidney, Jefferson, Or.
Paddock, Vincent E., Sweet Home, Or.

Wounded severely—
Kroth, George (Cpl.), Nissa, Or.
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Nelson, Arthur W., Portland, Or.
Hawkins, Sidney, Jefferson, Or.
Paddock, Vincent E., Sweet Home, Or.

Died of disease—
Moe, Christian, Holcomb, Wash.
Clinger, Julius, Duff, Wash.

Wounded severely—
Akers, E. W. (Lt.), Seattle, Wash.
Coyte, Wm. J. (Lt.), Seattle, Wash.
Kester, E. C. (Lt.), Everett, Wash.
Hilly, Hageman, E., Oriskany, Wash.
Johnson, R. M. (Cpl.), Tacoma, Wash.
Austin, Samuel P., Spokane, Wash.
McVain, J. T., Seattle, Wash.

Wounded slightly—
McVain, J. T., Seattle, Wash.
McDonald, H. R., G. Rockford, Wash.
Reisler, John L., Lake Swallow, Wash.
Bennett, Eugene J., Kelso, Wash.
Clegg, Earl E., Spokane, Wash.
Brown, Carl O., Steyer, Wash.
Johnson, C. H., Alima, Wash.

Wounded, degree undetermined—
Faulstich, Karl C., Hilary, Wash.
Masters, Lewis L., Wenatchee, Wash.
Dronson, Deming (Lt.), Seattle, Wash.
Marker, Lloyd D., Cleaton, Wash.
Cheney, Jos. C., Ellensburg, Wash.

Wounded slightly—
Winehart, Carl T., Tacoma, Wash.
Norton, F. C., Grandview, Wash.
Beener, Robert L., Seattle, Wash.
Speirs, William B., Tacoma, Wash.
Iverson, John K., Seattle, Wash.
Collins, R. E., Seattle, Wash.

Wounded severely—
Kolovin, William, Seattle, Wash.
Molloy, Ray, Spokane, Wash.
Mohr, Richard, Spokane, Wash.
Dunn, John H., Pasco, Wash.

Wounded, degree undetermined—
Beach, Julius, Newport, Wash.
Mede, Andrew P., Hoquiam, Wash.
Goddin, Earl R., Brix, Wash.

Wounded slightly—
Cuthin, Edward, Everett, Wash.
Forsyth, E. Q. (Cpl.), Wenatchee, Wash.
Garaghan, Orville E. (Sgt.), Tacoma, Wash.
Waymire, Harry C. (Cpl.), Seattle, Wash.
Waser, Wm. B. (Cpl.), Tacoma, Wash.
Kelloge, Harris E., Lebam, Wash.
Brigham, Byron, Katie Falls, Wash.

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SINK SURRENDERED SHIPS, SAY ENVOYS

Americans Would Destroy Hun Battlecraft.

BRITAIN APPROVES PROPOSAL

Plans for Distribution Will Be Strongly Resisted.

PURPOSE CLEARLY STATED

Action, It Is Argued, Would Show Absence of Desire for Material Gain Through the War.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—

The American delegates to the peace congress have resolved to advocate the sinking of the surrendered enemy warships and resist any proposition to distribute them on the basis of naval losses.

This announcement is made by those in close touch with the American representatives, who, it is added, feel that such a position would result in avoiding contention and materially support President Wilson's declaration that the war was not based on aggression or the acquisition of property.

England Approves Proposal.

England, through Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, had previously acquiesced in the American plan to destroy the captured or surrendered warships and, it is declared, will continue to support the United States, although it is expected that some of the lesser naval powers will demand that the prizes be distributed.

American naval stations will be maintained for at least a year at Brest, Gibraltar and in the Azores to render aid to American merchant ships. The consent of France, England and Portugal has been secured. The aero and radio stations at these points will soon be in readiness to respond to calls for aid by American shipping in distress and facilities will be afforded for needed repairs and supplies.

Navy Men Still Needed.

Although the plans have not been developed, it is believed in naval circles that the Shipping Board desires to continue manning its ships with naval officers and crews until private capital is organized to undertake the great task of operating thousands of merchant vessels.

The other naval establishments in Europe will be abandoned as rapidly as possible and progress in this direction already has been made.

The United States Navy had 27 aero stations along the European coast, the material of which, except at Brest, Gibraltar and the Azores, is being shipped home. Naval transports relieved of carrying munitions hereafter will convey food supplies.

It is expected that the Army also (Continued on Page 2, Column 4.)

WILSON "DELIGHTED" AT PARIS RECEPTION

President at Loss to Describe Effect of Welcome.

United States Executive Says He Experienced Emotions Felt but Once in a Lifetime.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—

President Wilson gave his personal impressions today at meeting with the representatives of the American press of his experiences thus far in France. At the same time announcement was made that the members of the American commission to negotiate peace would meet daily with the press. The President, in response to a suggestion, said:

"I have been asked to say a few words in regard to my reception here. The reception was so tremendous that I do not know what to say. I was delighted with it, but I was delighted for a special reason, which is not personal."

"I was saying to several of our French friends that I understood it, because I saw in the eyes of the crowd just the feeling that I had for them and was aware that it was but a sort of reciprocal feeling. But that moved me very much, because that, of course, meant more than mere generous cordiality on the part of these delightful people. It meant a thoughtful background to the thing which was very welcome, and to come into that sort of feeling in this wonderfully beautiful city made a combination of emotions that one would not have more than once in a life time. This is as well as I can put it off-hand."

UNIFORMS SELL AT COST

Senate Approves Bill Providing for Promotion of Officers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The Senate today passed the House bill authorizing the Government to furnish uniforms and equipment to naval officers at cost.

Another House bill providing for the temporary promotion of officers of the Marine Corps now serving with the Army also was approved, and both measures now go to the White House for the President's approval.

TEACHERS' EXAMS ARE OFF

Cancellation of Dates Announced Because of Influenza.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—State teachers' examinations in Washington, Grant, Harney, Jefferson, Jackson, Clatsop, Douglas, Yamhill and Polk counties were canceled today because of prevalence of Spanish influenza, Superintendent Churchill announced.

WARSHIP BALTIC BOUND

International Demonstration Is Aim in Reopening Sea.

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RED CROSS DRIVE PAGE IS TOO SLOW

Barrage of Indifference Is Encountered.

ENROLLMENT ONLY 100,000

Mistaken Popular Impression to Be Corrected.

HOME RELIEF BIG FACTOR

War Far From Over, So Far as the Work Remaining to Be Done by Great Organization of Mercy.

TO CAPTAINS OF THE CHRISTMAS ROLLCALL.

Thousands of people have not yet enrolled as members of the Red Cross, despite the efforts of your workers. These people can only be enrolled through personal solicitation. It is therefore necessary to keep your teams intact and constantly in the field until the last minute of the campaign.

Report early this morning by telephone to your colonel at Liberty Temple, Main 313, if you are in need of workers or other assistance. Workers should call and again until every person is given opportunity to join.

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One error that rises up to hamper the progress of the drive is the mistaken popular impression that the recent united war work drive included the Red Cross. Workers have been instructed to make thorough explanations on this score, inasmuch as all loyalists must be given the opportunity to enroll.

"Please wear your button in full view," is the request of Mrs. A. R. Innes, acting city manager, who points out that both public and soldiers will be spared delay if those who are enrolled will hold the tiny symbol where it can be seen by the campaigners.

Where's Your Button? To Be Asked.

In general orders to the city staff, Mrs. Innes directs that the query of street solicitors henceforth shall be "Where's your button?" Originally adopted as the shibboleth of the drive, solicitors are asked to vary their present demands with this direct and pertinent query.

Firms and business places that have attained 100 per cent organization should call at Liberty Temple, or by telephone, for the 100 per cent window cards that are theirs of right, suggested Miss Getta Wasserman, executive secretary. By claiming the right to announce their completed enrollment the 100 per cent firms will aid the drive through stimulating others to vie with them.

Industrial Plants Will Come Through.

Though industrial plants are well organized, returns from the shipyards have been slow thus far, according to Mrs. Katherine MacMaster Mason, in charge of that division. Payday in nearly all the yards is today, and assurances have been received that the tide of industrial enrollments will rise with a rush when the host of shipworkers draw their checks.

At Liberty Temple they have grown