

DOMINATION BY FORCE RESENTED BY EBERT

New German President Says
State Is Founded on Right.

BELLS ANNOUNCE ELECTION

Reports From Vienna Point Out
That Currency Situation in Central
Powers Is Demoralized.

WEIMAR, Feb. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Feeling church bells announced to the people of Weimar at 12 o'clock this afternoon that the German folk for the first time in history had chosen the head of their own state.

Friedrich Ebert, former socialist and socialist leader, appeared before the assembly 20 minutes later and received as president of Germany those plaudits formerly marking the appearance of the monarch who once stigmatized the party to which President Ebert belongs as being made up of men "unworthy to bear the name of German."

Forced Domination Opposed.

President Ebert in his speech accepting the presidency said: "I will administer my office, not as the leader of a single party, but I belong to the socialist party and cannot forsake its origin, its training. The privilege of birth already have been eliminated from politics and are being eliminated from social life."

"We shall combat domination by force to the utmost, from whatever direction it may come. We will found our state only on the basis of right and on our freedom to shape our destinies at home and abroad. However harsh may be the lot threatening German people we do not despair of Germany's vital forces."

VIENNA, Feb. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—The financial situation is being given profound attention by the bankers, while the newspapers are printing long articles concerning it in which they contend that the only way to solve the present depreciation in currency is to open industry and put the people to work through the importation of raw materials.

Labor is scarce though idleness abounds. Recently an advertisement for 500 men to dig ditches resulted in only 500 men applying for jobs. The governments of the small republics lately have adopted the policy of granting indemnities to the idle.

Wish to Travel Prevalent.

There is great speculation in foreign bonds, while the sale of Polish passports is finding a large market, due to the desire of people to travel abroad. Richard Strauss, the German composer, recently asked the correspondent if he thought the composer would be able to travel shortly and produce his music. Members of the court of the former emperor also have asked if it were feasible to travel. For the time being passports are out of the question since they are so well known.

There is much uneasiness over the raising of the tariff walls within the former empire. The Czechs are unwilling to sell goods and accept payment in the old Austrian money. Walter Fodor, editor of the labor journal, told the correspondent that the question of credits in the new republic was more important.

"As for the debts of the former em-

GERMAN ARMISTICE DELEGATES AND NEW PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT OF EMBRYO REPUBLIC.



German delegates, accompanied by their military interpreter and headed by Herr Matthias Erbeberger (shown in photo in center, hands in pockets), are shown upon their arrival at the railroad station at Treves, on way to meet Poch. Below—Frederick Ebert.

pire, amounting to 120,000,000,000 crowns," said Ebert, "we Austrians must take our share and if the Poles, Czechs and others try to disown the debts, so much worse for them and their citizens, who are large stockholders of the war loans."

United Action Favored.

"It seems to me in the currency question, with the Czechs and Jugoslavs stamping money and refusing our crowns, it is a case for all of us to stick or swim together. If all adopt new money and refuse to accept the money of other republics, it will result in a mercantile balance. If bankruptcies strikes one country it will strike all of them, because all will have the same class of currency."

DOUBLE DANGER FORESEEN

SENATOR POINDEXTER WARNS AMERICAN PEOPLE.

World Power Rule and International Class Rule by Bolsheviki Declared to Tend to Same End.

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 12.—Senator Poindexter of Washington, speaking tonight at a dinner given by the Lincoln club of Portland to the members of the Maine legislature, warned the American people against surrendering their liberties to international rule by a common world power set up by all the nations, or to international class rule by the bolsheviks. The result in either case, he said, would be imperial despotism and the end of national independence and liberty.

The passing of what he characterized as the old world in which the American people enjoyed "liberty combined with security" and the setting up of a "new principle of internationalism" was deplored by Mr. Poindexter, who said:

"We find, strange to say, the government of the United States itself taking the lead in setting up in the world this new principle of control of internationalism as opposed to the old nationalism."

At the same time, Senator Poindexter asserted there is "spreading throughout the land another manifestation of the same principle of internationalism." This, he said, has been the striking similarity in the strikes on the Pacific coast, brought on "by advocates of what is called world-wide solidarity of labor, for the purpose of confederating and the over by the laborers of all the industries and property of the land."

FOUR WORDS BLOCK BILL

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casualty being when he debated whether a horse doctor should have a license, as Senator Banks recalled in his own remarks.

In reply to a question by Senator Shanks, President Vinton said he could not vote for the \$10,000,000 bond bill if the minority report was adopted. Later he explained that this was not what he meant, but that his intention was to oppose the bond bill unless it is properly safeguarded. But how safeguarded he did not indicate.

Dimick Recites Objections.

Mr. Shanks asked Senator Dimick what his objections were to the four words and the Clackamas senator complained that they would "throw it wide open." And he did not believe in leaving such matters to the officials.

Section 7 of senate bill 67, reads as follows:

Section 7. All contracts which may be awarded for laying any pavement or for the purchase of any material, mixture or process entering therein, shall be awarded to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest aggregate bid. Such aggregate bid shall be considered as the sum of the amount designated for royalty and for materials, labor, mixture, profit and other items relevant to the actual performance of the work; provided, however, that the right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

Old Scandals Brought Out.

The minority report says that there be added, "Considering quality and durability."

Misty newspaper files, copies of telegrams several years old, charges of bribery and the like were the ammunition used by the senators opposing the measure. They did not discuss the effect of the four words, but they dug in the graveyard and dragged up all the scandals they could find with which the Warren Construction company was connected.

Senator Lachmund said that when he was mayor of Salem a confidential agent of the company tried to bribe him with \$15,000. Senator Dimick, who held the spotlight for an hour and ten minutes, referred to the paving people as "that bunch of pirates."



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train. The committee appointed by the Fathers of Soldiers and Sailors association was in charge of Will Moore, W. H. Sifton, Allan R. Joy and G. E. Hamaker, ex-president of this association.

Moff from Portland and Oregon and nearby Washington cities listed with the 20th Newport News casual company and who were not wounded, included: Albert E. Pricton, private, first class, Ellensburg, Wash., 161st infantry, 41st division; Leonard H. Wenger, private, first class, Salem, Or., 603d engineers; Antonio Benes, saddler, Comopolis, Wash., 162d infantry and artillery school, Samur, France; Charles C. Stewart, private, McMinville, Or., ordnance armament school, Malcom Mac Ewan, sergeant, first class, Portland; Chester G. Zumwalt, sergeant, Newburg, Or.; Leonard Krause, corporal, Portland.

All Oregon Is Honored.

George Buesing, sergeant, La Grande, Or., 116th engineers; Melvin F. Neimeyer, sergeant, Portland, 162d infantry and 116th engineers; Frank Noeris, sergeant, Coquille, 162d infantry and 116th engineers; Elmer J. Shipton, sergeant, Portland, 116th engineers; Kenneth S. Jordan, sergeant, Portland; August C. Jensen, corporal, Portland, 116th

engineers; Max L. McConnell, cook, Portland, 116th engineers, and Oregon, L. Rutter, private first class, 1204 Union avenue North, Portland, 116th engineers.

Oregon men aboard the train as members of the 11th battalion, 20th engineers, follow: Byron De Young, H. T. Lewis, Ralph Elder, C. C. Bentley, Edward J. Richter, Peter Melander, J. Devine, J. Hendrick, L. H. Galbraith, H. W. White, E. C. Pasch, B. C. Rue, W. W. Davis, A. A. Emberg, H. W. Davison, A. J. Fleury, A. L. Shumway, L. N. R. Towner, C. E. May, J. C. Clemens and D. W. Hubbard.

Arizona Revokes Spokane License.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 12.—The state corporation commission made an order today revoking the license of the Western Union Life Insurance company of Spokane, Wash., and its agent, Charles T. Brice, who were found guilty before the commission of violating the insurance code. The complaint charged the company promised to loan money on property after a policy for \$10,000 had been taken out and failed to do so.

Transport Crew Commended.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The entire

crew of the transport Mount Vernon have been commended by Secretary Daniels for gallantry displayed when the ship was torpedoed by an enemy submarine September 5, last.

Marital Law Extended.

BASEL, Feb. 12.—(Havas.)—The state of martial law proclaimed recently by the German authorities in the region of Kilmose, Posen, has been extended to other localities in the vicinity, according to a dispatch from Danzig.

287,332 TROOPS EMBARK

SECRETARY BAKER GIVES FIGURES ON DEMOBILIZATION.

Released From Army Camps in This Country.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—From the signing of the armistice to February 8, 287,332 American troops in France and Great Britain had embarked for the United States, while up to February 10, 67,454 officers and 1,069,116 men had been demobilized in this country. Total arrivals of overseas troops up to February 7 were 215,749.

These figures were made public today by Secretary Baker together with others relating to the number of sick and wounded now in France and those returned home. The men in France being treated for disease on February 1 totaled 53,661 and those suffering from wounds were 24,484. The aggregate of 87,045 was 4688 less than in the preceding week and 106,403 less than the number in hospitals overseas on November 14.

Since ending of hostilities, 53,042 sick and wounded have arrived in this country, bringing the total since the beginning of the war to 62,160. On February 1 the occupied beds in hospitals in the United States numbered 60,777, while there were 47,048 vacant beds available for returning cases.

CITY WELCOMES HEROES

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fought in the Toul sector, Chateau Thierry and wounded at Argonne.

Salem Youth Among Wounded.

Haywood Fowle, private, Salem, Or., 101st infantry, 26th division, wounded at Chateau Thierry; William J. Howard, private, Portland, 1st engineers, fought with the first full company of Americans in the Toul sector, fought at Cantigny and wounded at Soissons; Henry V. Belmer, private, La Grande, Or., 364th infantry, wounded at Verdun; Floyd Collier, private, first-class, Yakima, Wash., 109th infantry, 26th division, fought at Chateau Thierry and wounded at Argonne; James R. Greenlee, private, first class, Portland, 1st engineers, wounded in the Toul sector; Charles L. Fane, private, Bellinham, Wash., 361st infantry, 31st division, wounded at Argonne.

Washington Is Represented.

George Regus, private, Aberdeen, Wash., 115th infantry, 26th division, fought in the Argonne and was gassed near Metz; James G. De Armond, private, Ellensburg, Wash., 23d infantry, 2d division, wounded at Chateau Thierry; Wilbur S. Barcus, private first-class, Vancouver, Wash., 162d infantry, 41st division, gassed in ammonia explosion aboard "S. S. Susquehanna."

Women Join in Welcome.

The red cross-workers, canteen service at the depot and the enlarged committee from the general reception and welfare committee looked after the immediate wants of the men. Mrs. O. C. Beck of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and Mrs. J. D. McKinnon of the Over-the-Top auxiliary headed a delegation from the United Women's auxiliary in welcoming the



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my experience

during the rage of the "flu" may or may not be helpful to the public. three times this fall

I have been attacked by "catching a cold" each time, instantly the sneezing started. I began taking Mentho-Laxene, and have not lost an hour in work or business, whereas in the past a neglected cold usually "layed me up" or finished with grip or bronchitis. Three times I checked a sick spell with your wonderful Mentho-Laxene."

Note: The above extract is quoted from a letter written by Mrs. Robert Burns, Suite 5, 1248-R, 124th St., Cleveland, Ohio. Probably thousands who already knew the great value of essence Mentho-Laxene have likewise checked and aborted colds that might, if neglected, have resulted in the prevalent influenza. A stick in the nose saves life. Mentho-Laxene is a concentrated essence of eucalyptus, menthol, wild cherry and other virtuous expectorants and is laxative, tonic, antiseptic and expectorant to a high degree. What it has done for others, it should surely do for you. A small bottle makes a full pint of finished, unexcelled cold and cough syrup for the whole family. Full directions with each bottle.

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