

IRON METAL OCTOPUS IS DRIVEN TO HIDING

Control of World's Zinc and Lead Markets Broken.

AMERICA SEIZES PROPERTY

United States, Mexican and South American Mines Now Relieved of German Domination.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Germany's control of the zinc and lead markets of the world and her tremendous interests in other metals was shown by a report today of the alien property custodian to have been broken in large part by the release of American, Mexican and South American mines and mines from the dominance of German-owned corporations.

All the metal concerns in the United States which were controlled in Germany have been either disbanded or Americanized and the report declares that it is believed that the German influences in our metal markets have been completely eliminated.

Never a great producer of metals, Germany, nevertheless, wielded tremendous power over markets by the fact that her three great metal combinations acted in concert in the purchase of the ore and the establishment of smelters, aided by unlimited credit from German banks, which financed the sales of huge quantities of metals, thereby inflating prices.

Custodian Takes Over Business. When the alien property custodian investigated German business in this country he found frequent attempts to transfer stock to supposed Americans in an effort to circumvent seizure by the government. The transfers were declared void and the entire business was turned over to the custodian.

Disposition now has been decided upon in all three cases to let the metal companies controlled by German capital, Beier, Sondheimer & Co. in process of liquidation, including its subsidiaries, National Zinc company, Norfolk Smelting company and Cuba Copper Leasing company, and it was said the stock would go only into American hands.

Control of L. Vogelstein & Co., has been assumed by means of a trust. This arrangement was devised because Vogelstein is an American citizen and it has not been possible to transfer exact interest of Aaron Hirsch & Son in the Vogelstein assets.

Enemy-Owned Shares to Be Sold. By agreement between the custodian and American stockholders of the American Metal company, all of the stock has been put in a voting trust for five years, with the custodian holding certificates of 34,844 shares owned by enemy aliens and a total of 76,998. The enemy-owned shares will be sold to Americans.

The German Metal octopus, the report concludes, "has spread his tentacles across the ocean and over the United States into Mexico and South America, but for the present purely and for all times it is hoped, he has been driven back and a wall of American erected which, it is hoped, he will never be able again to scale."

STREETCAR FARE AT ISSUE

Spokane Mayor Urges Fair Treatment in Settlement.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—Looking to the future, the atmosphere here is much clearer if the controversy over street-car fares is settled by fair voluntary agreement than for all times it is hoped, he has been driven back and a wall of American erected which, it is hoped, he will never be able again to scale."

HOOD SEES WAR RELICS

Sergeant Joe M. Johnson Exhibits Articles Captured From Germans.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—No local war exhibit has created so great an interest as that made yesterday by Sergeant Joe M. Johnson, former prominent Whitman college student, who was first sergeant of a company in the 1st gas regiment. Sergeant Johnson, who has been in Hood River since yesterday, placed the interesting war trophies he brought home in a show window of the shoe store of his father, J. C. Johnson.

LEWISTON FETES SOLDIERS

Contingents of Engineers Arrive From Overseas Service.

LEWISTON, Idaho, March 16.—(Special.)—The last three days have witnessed a continuous arrival of contingents of local soldiers from overseas. The welcome began Friday when a contingent of Grangeville and Cottonwood boys of company 116th engineers arrived. The Lewiston band met them at the station and citizens put the boys on a big truck and went to a local hotel where the local Great War Veterans association held a banquet. Later the soldiers were guests at a dance at the Elks temple.

Air Raid Damage in Germany Rigs

BASEL, March 16.—According to official Berlin statistics the damage done in Germany by air raids during the war period amounted to 22,599,000 marks.



Some of the 47 war brides who arrived at New York several days ago on the steamer Plattburg. They are the wives of enlisted men and officers of the army and navy. Two husbands have already been made doubly happy by a little girl 6 months and a boy 3, respectively.

HOLY FATHER IS ALARMED

DISPOSITION OF PALESTINE IS WORRY TO POPE BENEDICT.

Fear Felt That Cradle of Christianity Will Be Consigned to "Non-Christian Jews."

BY BEATRICE BASKERVILLE. ROME, March 11.—The Pope's allusion at today's secret Consistory caused a certain surprise. Vatican circles, generally informed, foretold a final statement regarding the American scheme of union of the Christian churches, whereas the allusion was devoted to the position of the oriental church, and the keynotes being bitter grief for us and all Christians if unbelievers in Palestine were placed in a better and more privileged position than we, and far more than the sacred mount of Christian religion were consigned to non-Christians," he said.

AMERICAN ACE IS KILLED

Airplane Falls While Flying at Height of 75 Feet.

SEABREEZE, Fla., March 16.—Major David McK. Petersen of Honolulu, one of America's officially recognized aces, was killed today in the fall of his airplane at Daytona beach. The airplane piloted by Major Petersen, in which Lieutenant P. P. Payerick was a passenger, dropped nose forward after reaching a height of about 75 feet, and Petersen was killed instantly and Lieutenant Payerick was injured seriously.

COOS LEGION ENTERTAINED

200 Members and Families Attend First Social Gathering.

NORTH BEND, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—The first of a series of social gatherings of members of the newly organized local legion was held here last evening. More than 200 members and their families attended the entertainment and program.

WATER SUPPLY INCREASED

Hood River to Furnish Victory Gardeners With Irrigation.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—Before April 1 the Hood River water supply, already a million gallons daily, will be increased 25 per cent. Water Superintendent W. T. Price, with a crew of men, is completing the work of turning a new spring into the headworks of the system.

45 Arrested in Gambling Raid.

Forty-three men were arrested yesterday in a raid on a card room at 32 1/2 Fifth street by Patrolmen Martin, Spaugh, Travers, Nelson, Darrow and Morgan. John Grant, manager of the place, was charged with conducting a gambling game. Police filed charges of gambling against five of the prisoners, with a crew of men, is completing the work of turning a new spring into the headworks of the system.

Frenchman Visits Shipyards.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 16.—Captain Andre Millot, a member of the French high commission to the United States, returned here yesterday from Vancouver, B. C., where he inspected the shipyards of the Foundation company. Captain Millot will go to Tacoma to inspect the company's plant there. He denied that his visit was connected with reports that the French government and the Foundation company were looking toward a conversion of the wooden yards to steel shipbuilding yards.

MINE WAGES CUT \$1 A DAY

Idaho Companies Hold Reduction Is Necessary for Operation.

WALLACE, Idaho, March 16.—(Special.)—A general cut of \$1 a day in wages in all mines of this district will become operative on Sunday, March 16. In February, 1918, a sliding wage scale was adopted in all of the Coeur d'Alene mines, wages depending upon the price obtainable for the mineral products. Under the stimulus of war prices the bonus reached a maximum of \$1.75 per day, and it is only now that the wages have started on their downward slide in consequence of the violent fall in the price of lead.

BEAVERTON STAFF CHOSEN

Board of Education Re-elects Teachers for Next Year.

BEAVERTON, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—At a special meeting called for the purpose last night the board of education of this school district re-elected the entire teaching force for the ensuing year.

POEM WINS APPRECIATION

Albany Pastor Receives Card From Marshal Foch, Overseas.

ALBANY, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—Rev. George H. Young, pastor of the First Baptist church of Albany and chairman of the Lincolnton chapter of the Red Cross, has received a personal card from Marshal Foch expressing the appreciation of the famous allied commander of a poem written by Dr. Young entitled "Christ's Men," in which Marshal Foch was mentioned.

SCOUTS' HOME IS PLANNED

Business Men Propose Fund for Hood River Youth.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—Friends of the two Hood River troops of Boy Scouts have begun a campaign to raise funds to provide the 40 young men with a permanent home. The hall formerly occupied by the scouts has been leased for storage purposes. An annex of the United Brethren church, formerly used as a gymnasium, has been offered the boys, provided they make repairs that are badly needed.

Expectant Mothers

View Event Calmly

Thousands of women have found by the application of Mother's Friend, the penetrating external remedy, prepared especially for expectant mothers, that pain and suffering at the crisis is avoided and that in addition the months preceding the crisis are free from nervousness, nausea, stretching and bearing-down pains and general discomfort. Mother's Friend makes it possible for the expectant mother to herself actually aid nature in the glorious work to be performed, and no woman should neglect to give nature a helping hand. It will mean infinitely less pain and the hours at the crisis will be less. The period is one of calm repose and restful nights.

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CAPITAL AND LABOR PROBLEMS OF TODAY FORETOLD BY BIBLE

Evangelist Dickson Explains Prophecies of the Scriptures Which Tell of Present-Day Economic Difficulties and Their Final Outcome

America's greatest unsolved problem today is that of satisfactorily dealing with the struggle between capital and labor, and this is a question which not only the state has to do, but is a question in which the church is very definitely involved. For 19-20ths of the fabulous wealth of this nation is in the hands of a few millionaires. So said Evangelist L. K. Dickson last night in his lecture "Capital and Labor, or Industrialism's Drive for Doors and Windows," before an audience in Christensen's hall, Eleventh street, between Morrison and Yamhill.

The question, by what means a change may be effected in our present social conditions that will alleviate the vast amount of suffering and subdue the spirit of ferment that is rising and working everywhere, is one of general interest. Since the vast amount of poverty, and the discontented, oppressed and unhappy state of society are largely due to the extremely uneven distribution of the wealth and resources of the world, any legitimate or humane plan that would prove successful in altering such a state of things would be a blessing to mankind.

In his labor day speech at Fargo, N. D., September 5, 1910, Colonel Roosevelt said: "The most pressing problems that confront the present are not concerned with the material production of wealth, but with its distribution." "Violent and unjust measures, such as strikes, military communism, socialism, strikes, boycotts, or the use of force of any kind, are ill-advised, and cannot bring a satisfactory adjustment of the present situation. The mastery over labor, and have everything its way, will not solve the vexed problem. Nor will peace and prosperity come by labor restricting its production, and violently wresting from capital its wealth. Neither will the changing of political parties nor the overturning of governments by revolution solve the problem and bring about the desired results. The solution can only come, as James tells us in the text, we have just read, in the restriction which will attend the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ in the clouds of heaven. (Ya. 7.) The Bible tells us that the love of money is the root of all evil; that the evil will come from the heart, and nought can change the heart but the converting power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

This prophecy of James gives us a picture of the situation as it confronts us today, and tells us that this vast hoarding of wealth by a few would take place in the last days. (Ya. 5:1-3.) Isaiah also tells the same story (Isa. 2:1, 6-9, 17-22), and directs our minds to the close of this world's history, at the second coming of Christ for this solution. It is clear that fraud on the part of the rich as well as the poor will receive its just deserts and that right early, the Lord Jesus Christ will appear on the scene, and the covetousness of mankind brings in the last days is carefully described by Paul in 2 Tim. 3:1-5. Thus we see another of the last day prophecies fulfilled before our eyes, and we should remember that the time is short, the end is near, and therefore we should prepare our hearts and lives to meet in the power of God the gigantic and rapid changes soon to take place.

The subject for next Sunday night's lecture will be "The Seven Last Plagues." The pamphlet containing the lecture on "The Peace Table in the Light of Prophecy" and four other lectures may still be had by enclosing 10c and postage in a communication to Evangelist L. K. Dickson, 508 E. Everett street, Portland, Or.—Adv.

The West Coast Lumbermen's association, succeeding Chester J. Hoque, who has gone to New York to open the technical office of the association in that city. Mr. Nelson now is in Seattle familiarizing himself with the work of the association headquarters in that city. He will take active charge of the Portland offices in the Yeon building some time this week. It is understood that Mr. Nelson will spend a large part of his time during the next few months among the mills of this state with a view of bringing the operators into closer relationship with the activities of the association.

Commerce Shows Increase. SEATTLE, March 16.—Seattle's water-borne commerce, embraced in the valuation of imports and exports, totaled \$79,120,736, according to the annual report of Port Warden A. A. Payne, announced yesterday. There was a gain of nearly \$200,000,000 over the business of 1917.

Albert to Be Pershing's Guest. BRUSSELS, March 16.—King Albert will visit American headquarters at had lived to the present time, and had announced by the Brussels newspapers. He will be the guest of General Pershing.

Lumbermen's Secretary Chosen. L. A. Nelson, who has been on the staff of the district forester of the United States forest service in Portland for the last few years, has been appointed district secretary for Oregon of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, succeeding Chester J. Hoque, who has gone to New York to open the technical office of the association in that city. Mr. Nelson now is in Seattle familiarizing himself with the work of the association headquarters in that city. He will take active charge of the Portland offices in the Yeon building some time this week. It is understood that Mr. Nelson will spend a large part of his time during the next few months among the mills of this state with a view of bringing the operators into closer relationship with the activities of the association.

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