

**BERGER INDICTED, SEDITION CHARGED**  
Political Move, Says Ex-Congressman.

**4 OTHER SOCIALISTS NAMED**  
Tucker, Head of Hobo College in Chicago, Accused.

**U. S. ALLEGES CONSPIRACY**  
Speeches, Articles in Newspapers and Pamphlets Cited as Evidence That Espionage Act Is Violated.

CHICAGO, March 9.—Victor L. Berger, former Congressman from Wisconsin; Adolf Greener, National secretary of the Socialist party; Irwin St. John Tucker, a Chicago Socialist; J. Louis Engdahl and William F. Kruse were indicted by the Federal grand jury today, charged with obstructing recruiting, encouraging disloyalty and interfering with the prosecution of the war.

Advisers from Milwaukee today quote Mr. Berger as saying of the indictments: "It is a political move, pure and simple."  
The indictments, returned February 2, but withheld by District Attorney Clynne, charged 56 overt acts. It is charged that these indicted conspired to violate the espionage act by speeches and articles printed in certain publications. Kruse is editor of the Young People's Socialist Magazine, also published here.

Mails Closed to Engdahl's Paper.  
Engdahl was former editor of the American Socialist, official organ of the National Socialist party, which was discontinued last September after it had been deprived of its second-class mailing privilege. At present he is editor and owner of the Eye-Opener, a Socialist publication issued in Chicago.

Berger Wants Troops Withdrawn.  
His platform also calls for withdrawal of American troops from Europe to procure absolute "neutrality for this country." The Wisconsin Senatorial election will be held April 2.  
Rev. St. John Tucker is head of a so-called hobo college in Chicago. He has been prominently identified with Socialists here.  
District Attorney Clynne stated that those indicted conspired to violate the espionage act, "through public speeches, articles written in certain newspapers, among others the Milwaukee Leader and the American Socialist and through certain pamphlets."  
Use of Cartoons Charged.  
Among the pamphlets named are those entitled "Proclamation and War Programs," a pamphlet, "Down With War," a pamphlet "The Price We Pay," a pamphlet "Why You Should Fight," and by means of cartoons, illustrations, pictures, etc., to do the following:  
1. When the United States is at war willfully to cause insubordination, disloyalty and the refusal of duty in military and naval forces to the injury of the service.  
2. Willfully to obstruct the recruiting and enlistment service to the injury of the service and of the United States.  
The indictment sets forth that the

**BOY KILLED WHILE PLAYING BURGLAR**  
SALEM LAD OF 13 IS SLAIN BY HIS PLAYMATE.

Virgil Burch Found Dead at Home of Frank Dutton—Son of Latter Admits Shooting.

SALEM, Or., March 9.—(Special.)—While "playing burglar" today, Virgil Burch, 12 years old, was shot and killed by his 12-year-old chum, Tillman Dutton, at the home of the Dutton boy's parents, 549 Turner street.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dutton, parents of the Dutton boy, had gone to the country for the day and left their son with the Burch boy's parents. Mr. and Mrs. George Burch. During a part of the day they played at the Burch home, but later went to the home of the Dutton boy at 524 Turner street.  
Missing his son after a long absence, Mr. Burch went to the Dutton home and found him lying dead on the floor in a pool of blood. He had been shot through the chest by a bullet from a .32-caliber revolver, which passed completely through his body. The Dutton boy was missing, but was found later in a neighbor's back yard by Deputy Sheriff Bowers and Patrolman Wright, and he admitted shooting his companion while they were "playing burglar."  
The body was taken in charge by Coroner Clogh. It is likely no inquest will be held.

**SIX SONS ARE PALLBEARERS**  
Late Hiram Wood, Aged 90, Who Died Recently, Laid to Rest.

ALBANY, Or., March 9.—(Special.)—Six of the eight sons of the late Hiram Wood, who died at his home here on Wednesday night at the age of 90 years, acted as pallbearers at his funeral in this city yesterday afternoon. The same men acted in a similar capacity at the funeral of their mother, who died in 1910.  
The pallbearers were A. D. Wood, of Turner; J. A. Wood and Eugene T. Wood, of Albany; S. M. Wood and H. P. Wood, of Corvallis, and George E. Wood, of Eugene. The funeral was conducted by Rev. C. I. Schuster, pastor of the Evangelical Church, of which the deceased was a member.  
The late Hiram Wood was an Oregon pioneer of 1852. He spent most of his life in Benton county, where he settled more than three score years ago, and had resided in Albany the past 17 years.

**CHURCH OF GOD SEES LIGHT**  
Members Abandon Opposition to War and Will Back Government.

OMAHA, March 9.—The Church of God in Nebraska has decided to abandon its life-long policy of non-resistance to war and will teach its members that organized government is right and that when war attacks the country the church should assist in its defense.  
Leaders of the church in Nebraska were before the Federal Department of Justice yesterday explaining its belief.  
On Monday Rev. Almus Aldama, head of the 10 churches of the organization in this state, will start on a pilgrimage to those churches to take the new message to them.

**RIGHT-OF-WAY TO PRODUCE**  
Railroad Company to Promote Thrift Among Gardeners.

Four hundred miles of O.-W. R. & N. right-of-way will be available for gardening this year, officials of the company announce. Though such land has been for several years available to employees, special effort will be made this season to encourage its cultivation.  
Last season a great deal of the right-of-way was placed under cultivation in a drive fostered by the company. Officials declared that, while employees will be given the preference, the right-of-way will also be available for all who will undertake to cultivate it properly.

**U. S. IS DOING BIG THINGS IN FRANCE**  
Colossal War Machine Now Being Built.

Work Well Administered  
Officials but Little Hampered With Red Tape.

American Pride Justified  
"If German General Staff Could See What They Are Up Against There Would Be Louder Howls for Peace," Says MacRae.

BY WILL G. MACRAE.  
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Feb. 12.—The "Quest of the Golden Girl" has nothing on this attempt of mine to meet up with the soldiers (to pass the censors) of whom I have followed their doings since they were mustered in in 1917. That I found them at last is due more to luck than management, for my map of France shows me I have traveled over 1500 miles on that quest.

But what boots it? I found them at last, and for five days I was their guest, sinking my teeth in good American white bread and drinking again good Army coffee and, best of all, once more enjoying a real man-sized American breakfast, hot cakes, syrup and all. It was, worth the many all-night trips and riding in the French soldier Pullmans, marked on the outside in carefully printed white lettering, Hommes 26; Cheveaux 3 (meaning 35 men or slight herd of horses). There is plenty of ventilation and plenty of light (in the daytime) and no heat in these cars. I have searched in vain and I haven't found a single soldier who complained about riding in these cars, although I remember distinctly of hearing hundreds howling at the Government because they were shipped to the Mexican border in day coaches. Even the psychology of this is easy of answer. In 1916 the soldier was told to go, and in the same breath told not to go. No objective point. Nothing to be accomplished.

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**MANY OHIO TOWNS SWEEP BY CYCLONE**  
CONTINENTAL WIPE OUT AND OTHER CITIES DAMAGED.

Two Persons Known Dead and Property Loss Is Great—Storm Quarter of the Wide, 20 Miles Long.

LIMA, O., March 9.—First reports over crippled wires late tonight indicated that at least ten persons lost their lives tonight in a tornado which swept over Northwestern Ohio, centering in Van Wert county on the Ohio-Indiana state line.  
COLUMBUS, O., March 9.—Two persons are known to be dead, many are reported injured and thousands of dollars of property damage was done tonight by a cyclone which cut a swath through Northwestern Ohio.  
The center of the cyclone seemed to have been in Van Wert county, although serious damage has been reported between Lima and Findlay.  
Continental Ohio is reported to have been almost wiped out by the high wind, and the towns of Van Wert, Defiance, Middleport, Convoy and Lima are reported to have suffered heavily. Janitoria, Bluffton, Ottawa and other towns between Lima and Findlay are reported to have been hit hard.  
Telephone and telegraph lines are down and railroad and interurban traffic has been so interfered with that indications are that the loss of life probably will not become known before tomorrow.  
The cyclone, a quarter of a mile wide, and more than 20 miles long, struck Harrison, Union, Hoaglin and Washington townships in Van Wert county. Several houses were demolished.  
The known dead are: Mrs. James Geyer, Harrison township, Van Wert county, and Rex Ley, aged 12, Middleport, Van Wert county.  
Severely injured persons have been taken to hospitals in Van Wert county. Conditions west of Van Wert are said to be critical. Farmers are reported to have started out to hunt victims in the ruins of houses which were blown down.  
It is reported that the towns of Holgate and Halmer, O., west of Leipsic, have been practically destroyed by a tornado. Appeals for immediate help have gone out to adjacent cities.

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Admiral Kolchak, who is a veteran of the Russo-Japanese War and was the head of the Russian naval mission that visited the United States last year, is now at Shanghai.

**SPORT TAKES UP WAR**  
Hand-Grenade Throwing to Become Intercollegiate Contest.

DENVER, March 9.—Hand grenade throwing will be taken up as an intercollegiate sport this Spring by the schools of the Rocky Mountain Conference.  
This was the decision of a conference meeting held today in Denver.

**SIBERIANS RALLY, LED BY KOLCHAK**  
Regime of People to Be Established.

Military Blow Is Planned  
Army to Support Semenov Being Recruited.

JAPAN MAY LEND ITS AID  
Fighting Reported in Progress Along Railway West of Town of Manchuria—Trains Held Up There.

PEKING, March 9.—The Pravda, organ of the Bolsheviks, prints a dispatch from Irkutsk which says:  
"The ex-president of the Council of Ministers of revolutionary Russia, Prince Lvoff, has constituted in the Far East a new Russian government, which at present has its seat at Peking and which is awaiting the landing of Japanese troops at Vladivostok in order to enter Siberian territory with them."  
"Telegraphic communication between Vladivostok and Irkutsk is interrupted."  
Red Army Rallies.  
"The soviet of Vladivostok is mobilizing its forces for resistance and is forming a red army."  
PEKIN, March 9.—Plans for the restoration of popular government in Siberia under Admiral Kolchak, former commander of the Russian Black Sea fleet, through the organization of an army to co-operate with General Semenov, the leader of the anti-Bolshevik government in Siberia are now in preparation, it is learned here.  
Already a newly formed organization of Russians has begun enlisting men for the support of General Semenov and yesterday four field guns and 15 machine guns were forwarded to him on the Manchurian Railway.

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**DANCEHALL DOORS CLOSED TO PUBLIC**  
TACOMA RESORT NO LONGER OPEN TO SOLDIERS.

Owners of Black Cat Comply With Wishes of Camp Commander. Others Expected to Follow.

TACOMA, Wash., March 9.—(Special.)—Voluntarily complying with a personal request from Major-General H. A. Greene, Camp Lewis commander, made through Colonel M. E. Saville, head of the military police, the Black Cat dancehall in Tacoma closed its doors to the public at midnight tonight, and it is expected that the Liberty and the National Pavilion at American Lake will take similar action.  
Following a consultation with Colonel Saville, the proprietors of the Black Cat said they had declared two months ago that when the military authorities made the request they would close up.  
All of the dancehall owners were called into consultation by Colonel Saville, who explained to them that Major-General Greene had urged that they close the halls. It was further explained that the Foodstaple commission and special Federal investigators had inspected the halls and concluded that if they were closed it would aid the Government in its programme of building up an Army of high moral standard. The dancehall proprietors informed Colonel Saville that the wishes of General Greene would be carried out.  
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Abduction Charge Made for Arrest of Parole Violator.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 9.—A warrant charging abduction was issued today for the arrest of Joseph Keller, state parole officer of Oregon, who is alleged "forcefully and illegally" took possession of C. E. Smith, just discharged from San Quentin prison, with the intention of returning Smith to Oregon, where it was said he was wanted for breaking parole.  
Through habeas corpus proceedings Smith was taken from Keller's custody at Oakland, Cal., but was immediately arrested on a warrant from Oregon and now is fighting extradition. Smith had just completed a three-year sentence for forgery.  
The Oregon authorities asserted Smith's parole ended automatically when he was convicted in California.  
SALEM, Or., March 9.—State Parole Officer Keller left for San Quentin prison several days ago to take into custody C. E. Smith, whom California authorities informed Oregon authorities that Smith was to be released. Smith was to be returned to the Oregon prison for breaking his parole. He was committed to the Oregon Penitentiary for forgery. Acting upon the custody usually followed between states in the return of parole breakers, Governor Withycombe did not furnish Keller with requisition papers, but these were sent when he was held up by habeas corpus proceedings in California.

**BEERMAKERS MAY BE USED**  
Yakima Meeting Asks That Breweries Be Closed to Aid Farmer.

YAKIMA, Wash., March 9.—That President Wilson close the breweries of the United States in order that the men now employed in making beer may work on the farms was asked in a resolution adopted at a meeting of farmers, business men and others this afternoon for discussion of food production.  
There was no opposition to the resolution.

**PIGS CAUSE DOWNFALL**  
Diarmid Lynch, Sinn Fein "Food Controller," Is Arrested.

LONDON, March 8.—Diarmid Lynch, Sinn Fein "food controller," was arrested Thursday in connection with the recent commandeering of pigs in Ireland, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch.

**MAIN NOT GUILTY, IS JURY'S VERDICT**  
State Fails to Prove Murder Charge.

ONE BALLOT DECIDES CASE  
Acquittal Throughout Trial Confidently Expected.

ALIBI FULLY ESTABLISHED  
Case Never Should Have Been Brought to Trial, Declares Counsel for Defense—District Attorney Rebuked for Action.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 9.—(Special.)—Not guilty was the verdict of the jury at 8 o'clock tonight in the case of Oscar Main, Napavine business man, University of Washington graduate and brother of Supreme Court Justice Main, charged with the murder of his closest friend and neighbor, Fred Swayne, at Napavine, January 6.  
The jury took one ballot and there was not a dissenting voice against the verdict of not guilty. While the jury was out three hours, jurymen said an hour of this time was consumed at supper and two hours of discussion of the case. When the ballot was taken the verdict was unanimous.  
Main Receives Verdict Calmly.  
Oscar Main retained the cool composure which has been his throughout the trial. He received the verdict calmly and then shook hands with the jurymen and women.  
"May God bless you," said one of the men on the jury. "You should never have been accused."  
The verdict marked the close of a murder case which has been full of sensations.

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PICTORIAL SIDELIGHTS ON SOME RECENT NEWS EVENTS AS CARTOONIST REYNOLDS SEES THEM.

