

HUNS WILL SIGN IF LEAGUE DOORS OPEN

Acceptance Depends on Concessions, Note Hints.

INDEMNITY LIMIT IS ASKED

Erzberger Would Pay Allies Only 100 Billion Marks.

PLEA MADE FOR EX-KAISER

Inference Is That With Concessions Granted Treaty Would Be Acceptable to Germans.

WEIMAR, June 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Caucuses of the three principal parties voting on the question of the signing of the peace treaty, resulted as follows:

Majority socialist, 75 in favor of signing the treaty and 39 against; democrats, one (Baron von Hiehofen) in favor of signing and 68 against; centerists, four in favor of unconditional acceptance and 69 for unconditional acceptance.

BERLIN, June 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Following its decision to send the entente another note containing conditions regarding the immediate entrance of Germany into the league of nations, the limitation of indemnity and renunciation of the allied efforts to have the former emperor surrendered, the German government lost its nerve, for the note ended with the declaration that it was impossible otherwise to get a cabinet that would sign the treaty.

Although the note was written and ready to be dispatched, it was withheld until the eleventh hour, as it was feared that the entente would reject the German proposals.

BERLIN, June 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—Mathias Erzberger (mentioned as probable head of the new German peace delegation), is reported to have sent a note to Premier Clemenceau as president of the peace conference, asking whether the allies will agree to the immediate admission of Germany to the league of nations.

Herr Erzberger also desires to know if the powers will consent to the limitation of Germany's indemnity to 100,000,000,000 gold marks and renounce their effort to have former Emperor William surrendered.

The note does not say whether Germany will sign the peace treaty, but the inference seems clear that she would accept the treaty if these concessions were made.

Germany Faces Difficulties.

It is known that difficulty is being experienced in securing a majority without the German democrats for the formation of a government and the conditions named by Herr Erzberger are those upon which the democrats would re-enter the majority bloc.

The center party also has declared that it desired similar concessions, but its position has not been regarded as an unshakable one.

PARIS, June 21.—The council of four of the peace conference received today from the German peace delegation asking if Premier Clemenceau's note explaining the reparations clauses of the peace treaty was a binding part of the treaty and having the same force as the treaty itself.

Council Considers Note.

The council at its morning session considered this note. Baron Sonnino, the Italian foreign minister, was present.

Before the receipt of the German note the council had resumed consideration (Continued on Page 22, Column 1.)

CAPTURED CANNON IS PORTLAND LOAN PRIZE

CITY WINS TROPHY FOR WORK IN VICTORY DRIVE.

Mayor Baker Favors Sounding Public Sentiment Regarding Disposal of Gun.

Portland won highest rank among class B cities of the 12th federal reserve district in the victory loan campaign and has been awarded the captured German cannon announced as the prize for this achievement.

The prize cannon is already enroute from San Francisco and victory loan and city officials last night were considering suggestions as to what should be done with it. The Hun field piece undoubtedly will be formally presented to the city, said Edward Cookingham, state chairman of the loan.

Final decision between rival cities was made yesterday at San Francisco, when it was officially determined that Portland led in extent of over-subscription to the loan, with a rating of 195.11 per cent.

Announcement of Portland's victory in the race came to Mr. Cookingham in this message:

"Portland, with subscription of 195.11 per cent, won captured German cannon in class B cities. Please accept my congratulations. Cannon shipped at once. (Signed) 'FARNSWORTH'."

ORPHANS POSSESS PARENT

Though Mother Is Alive They Have No Guardian.

SALEM, Or., June 21.—(Special.)—A peremptory writ of mandamus has been issued by Judge G. G. Bingham of the Marion county circuit court against the state industrial accident commission requiring payment of \$15 a month each to the three children of Mrs. Dora Whitman of Oregon City.

The court takes the position that the children hold the status of orphans though their mother is alive. The parents of the children were divorced and their custody awarded to the father. Later he was killed in an industrial accident. Because the mother of the minors is living the commission first awarded them only \$5 monthly each and Mrs. Whitman began mandamus action.

The court's ruling is on the basis that the children were in the custody of their father and that his death deprives them of a legal parent.

WAR PROHIBITION TARGET

Suit Filed to Restrain Prosecution of Infractions.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 21.—A suit to restrain the United States attorney here from prosecuting infractions of the war time prohibition act was filed here today by representatives of the local liquor interests. It was announced by the California wet federation. The action covers all points not covered by the suit brought by a Napa vineyardist to restrain the government from enforcing the same law in regard to wines. It was announced.

Decision to cable President Wilson for a proclamation to rescind the war time prohibition measure was reached at a meeting of the California Viticultural commission here today.

WOOL BIDS ARE TOO LOW

Linn County Growers Will Hold for Higher Prices.

ALBANY, Or., June 21.—(Special.)—The Linn county pool of more than 12,000 fleeces, which was offered for sale at the office of County Agricultural Agent Smith here today, was not sold, as no bids satisfactory to the managers of the pool were received.

The highest bids were 56 cents for medium wool and 42½ cents for coarse. The growers voted to hold for higher prices.

WINNIPEG TURNED OVER TO MILITARY

Martial Law Windup of Day of Fighting.

ONE KILLED, SCORE INJURED

Strikers and City and Provincial Police Clash.

QUIET FINALLY RESTORED

Scores of Alleged Rioters in Custody.

Armored Cars Ready for Action in Streets.

WINNIPEG, June 21.—Winnipeg, strike-torn since May 15, is under martial law tonight. After fighting this afternoon between thousands of strikers and the city and provincial police, in which one man was killed, another injured, probably fatally, and more than a score hurt, Mayor Charles F. Gray formally turned over the city to the possession of the military forces.

General H. D. H. Ketchen announced early tonight that he has taken full charge of the situation. At 7 o'clock rioting had ceased and the victims of the fighting were in hospitals. Scores of alleged rioters are in custody. Ambulances from Manitoba military hospital have taken away 18 persons who were knocked down and bruised in the charge of red coats. Of these only one was a stretcher case.

Armored Cars in Position

Armored cars are now in position in front of the city hall. The situation is believed to be under control. This incident in quick succession in mid-afternoon precipitated the most turbulent scenes in the history of Winnipeg. Several thousand strikers and strike sympathizers, including some returned soldiers, were participating in a "silent" parade. A street car attempted to get through the crowd on Main street. Some of the paraders became openly hostile and when mounted police came down the street to clear the thoroughfare the parade quickly was turned into a rioting mob.

Police Fire at Assaults

For nearly two hours the scarlet riders, reinforced by returned soldier constables and policemen fought the rioters. The mounted police fired at the men who attacked them and sought to pull them from their horses. Mike Sokolowski, a registered alien, fell dead with a bullet in his heart. Men in the crowd attacking the police also brought weapons into play. Robert C. Johnson, a returned soldier, was shot in the knee. Jack Barrett, an onlooker, was shot in the thigh. Fifteen other casualties were reported. Scores of police and pedestrians were struck by bricks, clubs and other missiles; trampled by horses or knocked down by the mob.

As soon as the military took charge, order began to come out of chaos. Armored cars and troops with fixed bayonets appeared. The crowd began to disperse.

300 Arrests Reported

It was announced that 300 alleged rioters are in the police cells.

The troop of the Royal Northwest Mounted police engaged numbered only 25 men and few of these escaped without wounds or contusions. The horses suffered in like degree, one being blinded by a lump of concrete.

The street car service, in part, resumed during the past three days, automatically stopped.

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The street car attacked was demolished, but the occupants escaped without serious injuries. Flames from the burning car attracted the red-coated riders and they tore into the crowd. Bricks whistled (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

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PERSHING TO BE HONORED

Wilson and French Leaders Will Take Part in Stadium Opening.

PARIS, June 21.—President Wilson, accompanied by President Poincaré and Premier Clemenceau, probably will take part tomorrow in the ceremony attending the opening of Pershing stadium. Only urgent business in connection with the peace treaty would prevent their attendance.

KING SEEKS NEW CABINET

Former Premier Tittoni Slated for Foreign Minister.

ROME, June 21.—King Victor Emanuel has requested Francesco Nitti, former minister of the treasury, to form a cabinet, the Giornal d'Italia announces semi-officially.
Former Premier Tittoni will be foreign minister, it is added.

HUNS SINK TEUTON FLEET IN HARBOR

Red Flag Hoisted as Order for Scuttling Ships.

CREWS, IN BOATS, FIRED UPON

All Capital Vessels but One Are Sent to Bottom.

ACT BREACH OF ARMISTICE

London Newspapers View Incident With Equanimity, but Deplore Lack of Guard.

LONDON, June 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German officers and sailors forming the complements of the German ships interned at Scapa Flow sank most of their fleet today. All the big ships, the battleships and battle cruisers, except the Baden, and numerous smaller craft were sunk, while others went ashore in a half-sunken condition.

Eighteen destroyers were beached by tugs, four still are afloat, while the remainder went under. The wholesale sinking of the German ships which were surrendered under the terms of the armistice, was carefully arranged by officers and crews. All explosives had been removed and therefore the only means of destroying the fleet was by opening the sea cocks. The ships went down slowly, with the German flag, which the crews had hoisted, showing at the mast heads.

Crews Flee in Boats.

The crews, composed entirely of Germans, under the terms of the armistice which did not permit of British guards aboard, took to the boats when the vessels began to settle. While making for the shore the boats were challenged and called upon to surrender. Some of them ignored the summons and were fired upon, a few casualties resulting.

This stroke apparently was an entire surprise and the first news reached London through a correspondent, who was informed by farmers in the neighborhood that they had seen the German ships sinking with their flags aloft.

Admiralty Admits Report.

The admiralty at first denied the report, but later confirmed it and issued an official statement. The German officers and crews have been made prisoners. None of the officials tonight would offer an opinion as to how they are to be dealt with.

THURSO, Scotland, June 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—The hoisting of a red flag at noon was the signal for the crews to scuttle the German warships in Scapa Flow. The crews took to the boats and rowed toward shore. The guardships fired at the Germans, who jumped overboard and swam ashore, where they were rounded up.

LONDON, June 21.—With regard to the sinking of the German warships in the Scapa Flow, the Sunday Observer says that while naval opinion at Portsmouth holds it would have been better to have had British guards on the German ships, their sinking may be considered as removing a difficulty which might have led to heartburning among the allies concerning their disposition.

The German skeleton crews were relieved monthly and returned to Germany. They were fed only such provisions as they would have obtained in their own country.

Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge, retired, former director of the intelligence department, interviewed by the Weekly Dispatch with regard to the sinking said:

Breach of Armistice.
"It is a breach of the armistice and therefore almost tantamount to a new (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

AUTOMOBILE FUEL TAX NETS STATE \$84,602

PAYMENTS OF CENT AND HALF-CENT MOUNT RAPIDLY.

Gasoline and Distillate Used to May 31 Equal Total of 9,207,412 Gallons.

SALEM, Or., June 21.—(Special.)—The statement of the Union Oil company of California of motor vehicle fuel sales in Oregon during the month of May, filed in the secretary of state's office today, shows the sale of 423,777 gallons of gasoline and 72,475 gallons of distillate, on which the tax of 1 cent and ½ cent per gallon, respectively, amounts to \$4790.16.

The combined sales of motor vehicle fuel in Oregon during the month of May, as shown by the statements of dealers in motor vehicle fuel, show a total of 3,019,094 gallons of gasoline and 454,524 gallons of distillate. The tax paid on these quantities amounts to \$32,374.06.

From February 26, the date the law providing for a tax on gasoline and distillate went into effect, to May 31, the motor vehicle fuel dealers' statements filed with the secretary of state show total sales of 1,713,929 gallons of gasoline and 1,494,392 gallons of distillate. The tax on the aggregate sales during the period the law has been in operation totals \$34,602.16.

Under the law this money is immediately paid over to the state treasurer by the secretary of state, and by the state treasurer is credited to the state highway fund for general road construction work throughout the state under the direction of the state highway commission.

HAYS FOR KNOX MEASURE

Republican Chairman Favors Separate Consideration League Plan.

NEW YORK, June 21.—(Special.)—Will H. Hays, chairman of the republican national committee, was in the city tonight from Washington. Asked about the Knox resolution for a separate peace treaty, he said:

"Of course, I am for the Knox resolution. The American people will not stand for this 'sign-here' attitude. That is the way they make mortgages. Our senators are simply insisting that the client is entitled to consider the contents of his own contract and just what it will entail. The citizenship of America is the client. That is all that is involved in the Knox resolution."

ALIENS TO BE DEPORTED

260 Men, Held in Utah, to Be Taken to Atlantic Seaport.

SALT LAKE CITY, June 21.—Dave Gershon, department of justice agent here, received specific instructions from Washington today to be prepared to accompany about 260 enemy aliens from the war barracks at Fort Douglas, which place they will be deported. The order did not mention a specific date for the departure of the men from here.

WARSHIP TO QUELL NATIVES

Alaska Governor Also Sends Boat to Quiet Strike.

JUNEAU, Alaska, June 21.—Submarine chaser No. 310 was ordered by Governor Thomas Riggs to the vicinity of Yukatat village to quell a reported native uprising there today.

The governor also ordered the gunboat Vicksburg to Kodiak and Port Althorp, where cannerymen are striking and where reports of alleged bolshevik activities had been made.

FAIR WEATHER PREDICTED

Normal Temperature on Pacific Coast for Week Forecast.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are:

Northern Rocky mountain and plateau regions—Generally fair with temperatures averaging above normal. Pacific states—Fair with nearly normal temperatures.

NEWILL DIRECTOR; BONDS ARE BEATEN

Taxpayers Record Opposition to Further Debt.

ADVERSE MAJORITY HEAVY

Total Vote Is 3276 Against Bonds; 1870 for Them.

DRAKE 606 BEHIND WINNER

Tomosint Runs Third in Contest for Director—Over 5000 Votes Are Placed on Record.

By a vote of 3276 to 1870 the proposed school bond issue of \$2,500,000 was defeated in yesterday's election, which was marked by a light vote and comparatively little interest.

A C. Newill was chosen a member of the board of directors, leading his nearest opponent, Dr. J. Francis Drake, present member of the board, by 606 votes. There were 5376 votes cast for directors and 5148 voters expressed their opinion on the bonding question, this difference in totals being due to the fact that only taxpayers were held permitted to vote on bonds. Mr. Newill received 2807 votes; Mr. Drake's total is 2001, and Mr. Tomosint received 1268. The majority against the bond issue is 1406.

Result Is Disappointing

Rejection of the bonding proposal by a majority so overwhelming was a keen disappointment to those who had labored hard in its favor. Lack of interest was a second disappointment. Results show conclusively, however, that it was not lack of interest that defeated the bond measure. In districts where voting was heavy the percentage of votes against the bonds held up very much in common with the vote of other districts.

There was conclusive evidence that the taxpayers were not in sympathy with a programme involving the expenditure of so large a sum of money at this time.

Voting was unusually light during the afternoon. As time for closing the polls drew near, there was here and there the semblance of a rush of voters who found time, after the close of business establishments, to visit the various precincts. From 6 to 8 o'clock election officials were kept busy in some of the precincts.

Bond Defeat Seen Early

Greatest interest centered in the election in those localities where it was proposed to erect new buildings with the bond issue funds, or where enlargements of existing buildings had been planned. While organized opposition was not apparent, there was an undercurrent throughout the day that indicated the defeat of the bonds. Women were active in the voting, and friends of candidates for director envisioned the contest to some extent. But there was not the pep that bespoke a representative vote of the people of the district, and because of the lack of that requisite, little surprise was expressed when final returns showed just how light the balloting had been.

Very few persons visited the offices of the school board as the returns came in, and but few calls of interested parties came in by telephone. A preponderance of the calls made were to inquire as to the successful candidate for director.

In at least two of the districts where interest was keener and voting was heavy, goodly majorities against the bonds were piled up. In Sunnyside, where 187 votes were cast on the bond ballots, 105 were negative and but 82 favorable. In Irvington 113 of 133 ballots were against the bonds.

Returns seemed to make it apparent (Continued on Page 22, Column 2.)

IT HAPPENS IN THE BEST REGULATED COUNTRIES.

