

News of World's Greatest War Day by Day

WIRELESS HAS OPENED A NEW POLAR ROUTE

Word Can be Sent From Central Russia to Great Britain Over New Stations

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Nov. 26.—Wireless telegraphy has opened a polar sea route from central Russia to Great Britain. Wireless stations established by the Russian government in the arctic keep the vessels advised as to the channels free from ice. Acting on their information, two large vessels chartered by a Siberian trading company have just arrived at Grimsby with cargoes from the Yenesei and Obi districts of Central Siberia, valued at \$1,750,000.

The Obi and Yenesei are huge rivers with a great depth of water, taking steamers of any size. But it was not until lately that their navigation was put in practice. Owing to the use of the trans-Siberian railway by the Russian government for war supplies, there are 2,000,000 tons of wheat held up in Siberia, besides enormous quantities of other produce. If this can be got out, it will improve Russian exchange, which is now a serious problem among the Allies.

Next year the company proposes to take about thirty steamers over the new White Sea route, laden with Siberian products. Even if the war ends before this time, it is pointed out that the Siberian railway will be more or less tied up with back business and the returning of troops.

BRITISH NEGRO IS INTERNED IN HUNGARY

Only Subject of England Who is Held by Officials of That Country

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Nov. 26.—The only British civilian interned in the whole length and breadth of Hungary is a negro by the name of Sam Thomson, who would have escaped this distinction if he had not run out of money and the chance of a job.

Thomson was visited some days ago by T. D. M. Cardeza, of the American Embassy in Vienna, who thereupon sent the information on through diplomatic channels to London that Thomson lives in a large, clean, well-ventilated building and seemed well satisfied with his lot in Vacz.

CREAMERY AT REEDSPORT MAKES A GOOD SHOWING

Smith River Plant Manufactures Large Amount of Butter During the Past Year

GARDINER, Ore., Nov. 26.—For the year ending October 1, 1915, the Smith River Creamery at Reedport, Ore., manufactured 167,528 pounds of butter.

The Smith River Valley is fast coming to the front as a dairy producing section. The Smith River flows into the Umpqua from the north about one mile above Gardiner and 10 miles from the mouth of the Umpqua. In the valley through which the river flows is situated a large amount of fine dairy land. The output of butter from this section this year exceeds the output of last year by about 10,000 pounds.

TURKS ARE PRAISED AS HONORABLE FIGHTERS

Australian Officer Writes His Opinions of the Enemy He Is Fighting

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Nov. 26.—An enthusiastic tribute to the Turk as an honorable fighter comes in a letter from an Australian officer to a relative in London.

"The Australians will hear nothing said against the Turk," he writes. "I want to warn you against the tales of Turkish atrocities in Gallipoli or elsewhere. We know all about the Turk. Haven't we fought against him for months? He may be a colored infidel, but he fights like a Christian gentleman. One of our fellows went out to get a Turk sniper. Something went wrong and the Turk got him. But he put up a good fight against numbers, and the Turks were so pleased with him that they dressed his wounds and gave him a bottle of wine and water and sent him back to us."

The same officer remarks that at first the English Indian troops regarded the Australian troops with contempt and considered it almost undignified to be asked to fight alongside them. "The Gurkhas bucked when they were first put beside us," he says. "They said that we were not trained soldiers and that it was not fair to have to fight with us. Then we got into a charge together, and now they admirably call us the White Gurkhas."

TREATING NOT ALLOWED BY LONDON LAWS

Officials Say that As Consequence There is Less Drinking in City Than Previously

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Nov. 26.—Official police approval is given to the No-Treating ordinance in a report from the headquarters of the Metropolitan police on its workings from October 11 (when it went into effect) to November 1. The police report generally that less drink is being sold, fewer people visit the saloons, and those who do stay for a shorter time than before, and there is less drunkenness, especially among women. The ordinance is being punctually observed, the police say, in all the 12,000 licensed places in the London area.

The report says, in part: "There is a consensus of opinion among the superintendents of all divisions that drunkenness generally, and among women in particular, has decreased. A marked diminution in the number of women and children standing outside public houses has been noticed, and in many districts the practice has ceased altogether."

"Police have invariably found fewer people on licensed premises and a tendency to make shorter stays has been observed. "Practically no breaches of order have occurred, and licenses and their servants have shown at all times their willingness to assist the police."

HOOD RIVER—Snow and hail fell in the locality and the surrounding mountain peaks are covered with snow.

PROHIBITIONIST SAYS THAT NEW LAW IS NOT GOOD ONE

A leading prohibitionist of the state thinks there are many defects in the new law.

George C. Brownell of Oregon City, for 16 years a member of the State Senate and once candidate for Governor on the prohibition ticket, tore the present prohibition law into shreds in a recent speech. He showed to the audience the evils that he declared will result when the new law goes into effect in January.

He started his address by explaining the influences that are brought to bear both for and against every bill of importance that comes before the Legislature, and for and against every candidate who has strength enough to make him a factor before the primaries.

Works All the Time.

"If I wanted an important state office and had no other object than the nomination and election, I would have the Southern Pacific railroad with me if I could get them. I would straddle and get the support of the North end of Portland on one side and the churches on the other and I would not run on a prohibition platform—for the liquor interests fight 24 hours of the day and the temperance people four hours a month."

Sympathy for Drinker.

Leading up to the prohibition bill he explained that his fight was against the booze, not the man; that he had nothing but sympathy for the drinker and that as long as law permitted, the man who operated a saloon was no less a man in a legal sense than a banker or jeweler.

"The drinking of liquor is either right or wrong. If right, let us have it; if wrong, then let us abolish it. We can no more temporize with it than with slavery. It can't be half right and half wrong."

Calls It Half Law.

Then he opened up on the prohibition law. He said he criticized the temperance people who supported the weak-kneed legislators who enacted the half temperance law under which the public saloon is closed and private drinking places made of the homes, and he declared the law will cause more crimes, more evil and more perjury than any statute ever enacted in Oregon.

Drinking in Homes.

Under the law he stated that the drinker can no longer go to the saloon and do his drinking, but that this class of men—thousands of whom will have liquor as long as there is any possible means of getting it—would now take their liquor to their homes, their two quarts of whiskey or 24 quarts of beer, and force the saloon associations on the family.

Says Not as Voted.

"The people of Oregon voted to abolish liquor in Oregon, yet the Legislature decided they only voted to abolish the saloons, and then it provided the opportunity for every home in Oregon to procure liquor and have barroom associations. It was damnable and wicked."

About Affidavit

Then he took up the session laws and read Section 12 to the audience, under which a common carrier might deliver liquor made outside of Oregon to any person who would subscribe to the affidavit. He read the affidavit form in which the consignee swears he is 21 years old, not an habitual drunkard, and that the liquor is to be used for SACRAMENTAL PURPOSES ONLY.

Law is Bungled.

He explained that the newspapers and lawyers hold that this bungle of the Legislature will not stand because it is a plain bungle.

"I have been a lawyer for 35 years and I think I know something about law. As plain as English words can make the affidavit, every person who gets liquor must declare under oath the liquor is for sacramental purposes. Who has the right to scratch out these words, the statute requires? Who has a right to change the form of the affidavit in the code?"

Cannot Change Form

"You can't change the form of a pension affidavit, can you? If we are permitted to scratch out or change any part of the liquor affidavit, we have an equal right to change the rest of it, and increase or lower the monthly limit of liquor. I defy any reputable lawyer to show a different construction. The affidavit must be secured from the county clerk; the applicant must swear the liquor is to be used for sacramental purposes, and any persons who uses it for other purposes will be a perjurer. No person has any more right to alter the form of this affidavit than he has to change a deed, and Section 12 reads 'that any person who shall

swear falsely shall be deemed guilty of perjury.'"

Should Wake Up.

Mr. Brownell stated that he was not throwing cold water, but that he wanted the people to wake up and send men to the Legislature who will keep booze out of the home. He stated emphatically that he was absolutely opposed to the manufacture of liquor anywhere, but that if, as some contended, that a certain class must have it, then it would be far better to permit the drug-stores or the groceries to sell it in limited quantities and that it be consumed away from the home than to force the drinker to buy it in large quantities (which he would do) and take the damnable stuff home to his family. He said the confirmed drinker would not drink at home if he could drink anywhere else.

Will be Low Dives.

"There are in Portland 123 red light houses in the North End. The girls in these places came from somebody's homes and they are going to hell as fast as they can. When the law goes into effect January 1 these places will be the lowest dives in Oregon, for every woman in them can each get her 24 quarts of beer a month and the law will be powerless to stop it being drunk."

Rooming Houses Bad.

"The apartment and rooming houses will not be much better and the river-front houses of Portland will be low dives. These are not drinking places now, but they will be. The police cannot control private houses."

Good for Bootleggers

"And the law will provide a paradise for the bootlegger. He can get him 24 quarts in January, February, and March, and store it in his place—an accumulation of 72 quarts. He can get others of his kind to do likewise; your Sheriff won't be able to stop him, he can show the liquor to the Sheriff."

He stated Hutton of the Anti-Saloon League declares it would be unconstitutional to prohibit the shipment of liquor into the state, but he stated it was fully constitutional to prohibit the shipping in of opium. He declared that the constitutional amendment the people voted on last November was a self-exercising law, and he read Section 36 to the people.

"The people voted it; it is a fundamental law forbidding the manufacture or sale of liquor in Oregon, and the minute the votes were counted it executed itself and needed nothing else to make it workable."

He urged every temperance voter to force candidates for the Legislature next year to pledge themselves for the kind of a law the people voted for, and he declared in proportion as the women of this country were given the ballot, the country would be wiped off the U. S. map.

BAKERY IS ROBBED

BURGLARS ENTER PLACE SOME TIME TUESDAY MORNING

Take Small Change Found in the Till—Probably Same Men Who Robbed Saloons

Sometime early Thursday morning robbers entered the Coos Bay Bakers and were in all probabilities the same men who robbed the National and Brewery saloons.

Carl Evertsen, one of the owners of the bakery, examined the premises carefully yesterday and says that he is certain that the robbers got into the place by using a key and opening the front door. All they got was \$4.45 in nickels and dimes which had been left in the till as change for the early morning business when the place opened. The robbers had not scorned this small change but they did overlook a nickel which was all that was left in the money drawer.

Must Have Been Busy

It was evident that the robbers kept pretty busy entering the three places and making an attempt to get in the Pullman saloon also. They must have operated some time between 1 and 5 o'clock in the morning. The saloons did not close until 12 o'clock and it is generally nearly an hour before the places are cleaned up and locked for the night.

Arrest Suspects

Chief Carter rounded up two or three suspects yesterday and searched them, but failed to find any evidence of guilt. This morning the room of a man who had been living directly above the Brewery Saloon was searched, but Chief Carter said the man had already fled to "parts unknown," and he did not leave any clew.

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DAYTON, Ohio, Nov. 26.—John H. Patterson, president and general manager of the National Cash Register company, predicted that the approaching era of prosperity would probably exceed anything this country has ever known.

"The boom is on," he said. "Agricultural interests are the first to feel it. The farmers have record-breaking crops, with a big demand. Confidence has been re-established. Various industries have picked up. Then the stores needed goods, and factory wheels began to move. Then commerce and transportation reflected the change."

"We have three federal organizations taking care of these various interests: The interstate commerce commission, federal trade commission and the federal reserve board, with its chain of reserve banks. The value of these three boards of commissions to the country cannot be estimated."

"Conditions everywhere are improving. The farmers are prosperous. The mills of Pittsburgh are busier than ever before. Railroad stocks are going up."

"Now is the time for storekeepers to advertise," added Mr. Patterson. He is backing up his opinion with his money. His company is spending more than \$200,000 this month for advertising.

NO PLACE FOR THE HYPHENATED AMERICAN

Rabbi of New York Gives His Opinion on the Subject in A Lecture

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 26.—That there is no place in this country for hyphenated Americans, that the doctrine of preparedness is false and that the remedy for political ills rests in the religionizing of the state were declarations made here by Dr. Stephen F. Wise, rabbi of the Free Synagogue of New York in an address before the Commonwealth Club.

"I do not believe in hyphenated Americanism," said Dr. Wise. "There is room in this country for only one kind of vote—the American. The man might have been a German once and now an American, but never German-American. There will never be a Jewish-American vote, save to keep an unworthy Jewish candidate out of public office."

After disapproving of the preparedness doctrine, Dr. Wise declared that the remedy was in the spiritual patriotism of a civic religion.

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