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FORMER GUARDSMEN FIGHTING HUJ; STRIKERS ARE DEMANDING PEACE

SOLDIERS REFUSE TO FIRE ON STRIKERS

Vienna Dispatch Says Officers Tear Off Their Insignia and Join With Populace; Revolution Said to Be Making Headway.

Berlin, Strikers Issue Ultimatum to Authorities Demanding an Early End to War With No Annexations; Ballot Is Wanted.

GENEVA, Jan. 31.—(U. P.)—According to a Basle dispatch printed by La Suisse today, there have been serious conflicts between troops and strikers, with casualties.

At some places, the story asserted, troops refused to fire on the strikers.

Dispatches from Vienna received here asserted that soldiers started the recent strike movement, many Austrian officers leading. These officers, it was declared, tore off their insignia and joined with their men.

A dispatch to the Democrat declared: "A revolution, not a strike, is reigning in Austria."

Prague messages related that the local authorities were unable to suppress the strikers and that troops were arriving to aid.

Zurich, Jan. 31.—(U. P.)—Berlin's strikers "are becoming increasingly threatening," according to a copy of the German Socialist paper Vorwaerts, received here today.

The paper prints the text of an ultimatum which it declares was served on the government by the strikers. This document demands acceleration of peace negotiations on the basis of no annexations and no indemnities; participation of all countries in peace deliberations; restoration of the right

January Snowfall Is Chicago Record

Chicago, Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—January snowfall in Chicago, not counting snow which is falling today, has reached a total of 49.3 inches, according to official figures of the weather bureau here today. This is approximately four inches more than the average snowfall of an entire winter here.

The mean temperature for the month also has been more than 10 degrees lower than the average January records. The mean temperature for January has been 13.3, against an average of 23.7.

Lowly Doughnut Has Met His Doom; Pies Of Wheatless Crust

Shortage of fats is about to drive the doughnut from the gastronomic field. Bakers admit it are now casting about for some cooking agent other than lard and the usual vegetable fats in the hope of saving off the final curtain.

In the meantime, cafeteria proprietors have discovered a formula for wheatless pie that they hope will save that toothsome dessert.

SHIPS FROM SPAIN HELD IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—(U. P.)—On orders from the government, all Spanish steamships now in American ports are to be held for an indefinite period.

This was learned today when the Alphonso XII, a large Spanish vessel, was ordered held in port just as she was ready to sail. There are six ships of the same line now in this port. The Alphonso XII had on board 228 passengers bound for Spain when her sailing was cancelled.

The order was delivered to Jose Zaragoza, agent for the Compania Transatlantica, by officers from the United States army just five minutes before the big passenger vessel was ready to depart. Huge notices were posted on the door of the ship's offices and no queries were answered.

None of the six ships now in this port is smaller than 8500 tons.

TAX PUBLICATION COST CUT \$3600

Oregonian and Telegram Prices Far Above Bids of The Journal and News.

It will cost the taxpayers of Multnomah county approximately \$2500 to publish the delinquent tax list this year with the work being done by The Journal and the Daily News. This is approximately \$3600 less than it would have cost had the Oregonian and Telegram been awarded the contract of publication by the board of county commissioners.

Of the probable \$2500 to be paid for the publication of the lists, approximately \$1000, or the estimated amount that will be received by The Journal, will be turned over by The Oregonian to one or more of the war work activities.

The law as it now stands requires the publication of the delinquent tax list of Multnomah county in two newspapers published within the county. There is no discretion vested in the county commissioners, but they are required by the statute to select two newspapers in which to publish the list.

When the bids were received by the county commissioners yesterday they agreed that the contracts would be granted to the two newspapers submitting the two lowest bids. The Oregonian submitted a bid offering to publish the list at the rate of 98 cents per column inch, the Telegram for 75 cents, the News for 40 cents and The Journal for 30 cents. The contracts awarded to The Journal and the News.

The price submitted by The Journal is below the cost of publication. It will mean a substantial saving not only to those delinquent taxpayers who finally meet their payments, but also to the general taxpayer who will be called upon to carry the load imposed by the delinquents who do not pay.

The Journal, believing that the publication of delinquent tax lists is an unnecessary burden upon the taxpayer and a waste of public money, submitted its low bid in order that the taxpayers might be saved as much as possible, and in view of the fact that the law required the publication of the lists in two newspapers. It accompanied its bid with the stipulation that the compensation received by it from the publication would be passed on as a contribution to help meet war work needs.

A. A. Hoover, doughnut manufacturer, has reconciled himself to the food conservation program. He believes the "sinker" will soon be sunk. The nation needs all its fat products and it needs nearly all its wheat flour. Therefore the doughnut is safe.

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To discuss the food problem in all its angles hotel men, restaurant keepers, cafeteria proprietors, caterers and chefs will meet at the Hotel Woodlawn near Tenth street, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

In advance of the meeting a rain-

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WILCOX BUYS 8-HOUR DAY LADD SHARES ORDER IS NOT IN BIG MILL ANTICIPATED

Puget Sound Capitalists Associated With Portland Man in Purchase of Portland Flouring Mills Co.; \$1,750,000 Deal.

Company, With Headquarters at Portland, Operates 14 Mills and 200 Elevators in Coast States; Mills Largest in West.

Purchase of the Ladd interest in the Portland Flouring Mills company by Theodore B. Wilcox and a number of Puget Sound capitalists has been consummated, the price paid being in the neighborhood of \$1,750,000. Those interested with Mr. Wilcox in the purchase were associated with him in the Alaska Steamship company and among them are Chester Thorne, Henry Alexander and William Jones of Tacoma and H. F. Ostrander of Seattle. D. C. Jackling of Salt Lake is also said to be one of the group.

The Portland Flouring Mills company, with headquarters at Portland, is the largest flour milling company in the Pacific Coast states. The company is the owner of 14 mills and about 200 elevators. The Puget Sound Flouring Mills company is a subsidiary corporation of the Portland concern.

Mr. Wilcox became interested in the flour and milling business a number of years ago. The Ladd bank had loaned considerable money to certain mills, which resulted later in the bank taking over the property. The milling property was said to be operating at a loss. Then Mr. Wilcox appeared on the scene. The Ladd interests are said to have tendered him a bid for the property.

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BISHOP SUMNER IS HOME WITH BRIDE

Changed Schedule Brings Couple Into Town Hour Before Friends Expect Them.

Bishop W. T. Sumner and bride arrived in Portland this morning, owing to a change in the Southern Pacific railroad schedule, the couple were domiciled in their home at Bishopcroft on Portland Heights an hour before their friends expected them to reach the city. Dean McCollister and wife and the Rev. Oswald Taylor of this city were on hand at the Union depot to meet the bishop and his wife, but they were disappointed to learn that the couple had arrived an hour earlier.

Bishop Sumner was married at the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul at Chicago on January 1. The wedding was an occasion of the bestowal of many personal gifts to the bride and groom, and during their stay in Chicago they were entertained freely.

Among the handsome wedding presents was one from the vice commission of Chicago. Bishop Sumner, who formerly resided in the "Windy City," had always taken a deep interest in the fight for the moral uplift of the community.

Other donors included the "Forty club" of Chicago, an organization of which the Episcopal leader was an important factor. One of the most notable wedding gifts, however, was the one from the laymen of the Oregon diocese. The home followers made up a contribution of \$2000 in cash and wired it to Chicago on the day of the wedding. The money was designed to be used in the advancement of mission work in Oregon.

Part of the honeymoon was spent at the French Lick Springs and a week was spent at Pasadena, Cal.

Bishop Sumner realizes that the fuel situation of the east is serious because of a little experience of his own when he was snowbound for four days.

That the stand which United States Senator Chamberlain has taken on the war preparedness issue is endorsed by thousands of people in the east, is the declaration of Bishop Sumner. He said: "I found everywhere expressions of confidence in Senator Chamberlain. Leading men have come to believe that the Oregon senator is really a big man, whose every aim is to work for the efficiency of America's war machine, regardless of where the blame for any shortcomings may fall."

WOODEN SHIP DATA TO BE GOT IN WEST

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—Still another survey of Northwest shipbuilding possibilities will be made, according to information given Secretary McNary today by Vice President Fiez of the Federal Fleet corporation. J. H. Bloedel of Seattle and R. S. Shaw of Astoria have been selected to make the survey and they are to submit an independent estimate of ship schedules which the fir industry can provide.

On this report, says Fiez, and further consideration of the advisability of creating a large fleet of small size tonnage, with its operating costs and difficulties, will depend the future of the wooden shipbuilding policy.

TROTSKY DELAYS PEACE PARLEYS

Russian Foreign Minister Would Draw Out New German Propositions.

Petrograd, Jan. 31.—(U. P.)—Foreign Minister Trotsky's speech before the pan-soviet congress was generally regarded today as foreshadowing a separate peace between Russia and Germany, unless a revolutionary upheaval occurs in the central empire.

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EPISCOPAL PAIR WELCOMED

R. REV. WALTER TAYLOR SUMNER and his bride, who reached Portland this morning after a honeymoon in California, following their marriage in Chicago on New Year's day. An honorary breakfast at Bishopcroft was the first welcoming function.



WAR TO BE DECIDED IN 1918, VIEW OF WILSON

President in Letter to Farmers' Congress Says Culminating Crisis Has Come and Year's Achievements Will Determine.

Trip to Urbana, Ill., to Attend Meeting Had Been Planned by Chief Executive, but Physician Advised Against It.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—The result of the European war will be determined during the coming year in the opinion of President Wilson. He made this plain in a letter sent today to the Farmers' Conference now in progress at Urbana, Ill., when he told them:

"You will realize, as I think statesmen on both sides of the water realize, that the culminating crisis of the struggle has come and that the achievements of the year on one side or the other must determine the issue."

The president has been so deeply interested in the viewpoint of the American farmer on the war that he had planned personally to visit the conference to deliver his message in person.

For two days a special train has been held in the local railway yards to make the trip. At the last moment, however, it was decided that the inclement weather made it unwise for him to attempt the trip in view of the fact that he was suffering with a severe cold.

By advice of his private physician, Dr. Carey T. Grayson, the trip was called off and he instead sent a letter. The letter, as made public today, was as follows:

"I am very sorry, indeed, that I cannot be present in person at the Urbana conference. I have been suffering with a severe cold."

"That," said Judge McGinn, "is my answer to Mayor Baker's invitation to go to the council meeting tomorrow morning and tell him what he should do about reopening the 6-cent fare case. I do not intend to play Mr. Baker's game of cat and mouse. He and the council are elected and hired to protect the public's interest in this and all matters. They are in position to get the facts. If they don't, the fault is their own. Their invitation is bunk. It is camouflage. I know their game, and I won't play it for them."

Judge McGinn, however, will address the Portland Realty board Friday noon at luncheon at the Benson hotel. His subject will be "The Streetcar Situation."

ROLL OF HONOR

Washington, Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—General Pershing Wednesday reported the war department the following casualties among the American expeditionary forces in France. PRIVATE (FIRST CLASS) PAUL RICH, infantry, January 28, pneumonia, John Etter, father, 212 Twenty-second avenue, Council Bluffs, Iowa. PRIVATE JESSE E. ABBEY, steward, January 28, pneumonia; Sylvester Abbey, wife, Sylvester Abbey, father, 1121 Belmont, Wash. D. C. PRIVATE WALTER B. ALLEN, engineer, January 27, pneumonia; Walter B. Allen, father, East Cleveland, Ohio. SERGEANT O'BRIEN H. WILLIAMS, engineer, January 19, pneumonia; Z. V. Williams, father, 1121 Belmont, Wash. D. C. PRIVATE FRANK W. COCHRANE, engineer, January 28, meningitis; W. F. Cochran, uncle, 374 Livingston avenue, St. Paul, Minn. PRIVATE ALBERT ALTHOFF, engineer, January 27, pneumonia; Henry Althoff, uncle, Clarence Center, N. Y. PRIVATE BRAYTON E. CARRIE, field artillery, January 28, meningitis; Seymour Carrie, father, May St. Louis, Miss. CORPORAL MORRIS W. WILLIAMS, steward, January 29, gunshot wounds; John Brown, grandfather, 1121 Belmont, Wash. D. C. WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(U. P.)—Twelve deaths from illness were called the war department today by General Pershing, including: CORPORAL HARRY G. FAULKNER, Brandenburg, Pa. PRIVATE HUDDLESON, Waco, Cal. GEORGE W. HANNING, McMillanville, Or. THURMAN GATES, Salina, Okla. NEMER GIMMEL, Vandenberg, Ky. JAMES GLENN, Platt, Idaho. PRIVATE JAMES B. HARRIS, Miss. OTTO F. SCHOENEMAN, Beatrice, Cal.

Uncle Sam Has New Weapon in Dealing Death To Submarines

Henry Ford Given Contracts to Manufacture Parts for Vessels at Detroit.

Washington, Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—A new "submarine killer" has been developed by the navy department. Secretary of the Navy Daniels told the house naval affairs committee this afternoon. Contracts for a great number of the new style of ship have been given to Henry Ford. The vessel is a fabricated ship 200 feet long, equipped with all the latest appliances for submarine warfare. Work has already begun at the Ford plant on the parts of the new vessel. Naval constructors have just returned to Washington from Detroit, Secretary Daniels told the committee, and are "greatly pleased" with the progress that has already been made.

The parts for the new vessel will be made in Detroit, but the vessels themselves will be put together at the sea-shore. "The new boat will be not unlike our old destroyers," Secretary Daniels said, "but it will have many features that will make it by far the most efficient vessel of any navy now engaged in the war on submarines. The admiralties of other nations have looked over plans and approved them. Some of them 'protests' will let contracts for similar vessels."

The new vessel can be turned out very rapidly, Secretary Daniels said, and in great numbers. Some vessels of this type flying the American flag will be in the European war zone "within a few months."

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M'GINN ANSWERS MAYOR BY FABLE

Story of Lion and Fox Quoted in Six-Cent Carfare Controversy; Facts to Be Told.

"Once upon a time," says Judge Henry E. McGinn, "the lion was sick and he retired to his cave and sent out an invitation to all the animals to come and visit him in the open air. I see the fox came, and stopped outside the mouth of the cave. And by and by a goat came along, and went in, and the monarch of the forest recovered and came to the mouth of the cave and demanded of the fox:

"Why have you not come into the cave to pay your respects to me?" "And the fox answered and said: 'Fox Too Wise to Be Caught'—I have seen the tracks of the sheep and the goat going into the cave, but I have not seen their tracks coming out. I will wait in the open air until I see their tracks coming out of the cave before I go in."

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Fifteen British Ships Week's Toll

London, Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—Nine British merchant ships of more than 1600 tons, were sunk during the past week by German submarines or mines, the admiralty announced today. This was a slight increase over the previous week's losses.

OUTSPYING GERMAN SPIES

How the network of German espionage in this country was uncovered will be told in THE SUNDAY JOURNAL, beginning next Sunday, by John R. Rathom, editor of The Providence Journal, who undertook this work of his own initiative. An appreciation of Mr. Rathom's remarkable work has been written for THE SUNDAY JOURNAL by French Strother, managing editor of World's Work.

RAID IN FOG IS MADE ON AMERICANS TWO KILLED

Germans Make Dash Into Trench After Heavy Barrage Fire; Four Americans Wounded, One Captured; Hot Resistance.

Attack Made on Listening Post Trench at 7 o'Clock in Morning; Wounded Men Tell of Clash; Californians Use Bombs

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(U. P.)—American forces in France have taken over permanently a sector of the fighting front and will hereafter fight alongside the allied soldiers, it was learned officially today.

Heretofore the Americans have been in the trenches only temporarily for training purposes. The "veterans" have now reached the stage where they are counted on to hold a trench sector.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—Taking advantage of a thick mist, a strong force of German troops raided an American listening post trench Wednesday morning, killing two American soldiers, wounding four and capturing another.

The raid followed a heavy barrage fire, which lasted 15 minutes, completely isolating the listening post from the first line trenches. The fighting lasted 20 minutes and two German soldiers are believed to have been wounded.

The Americans fought gallantly, all branches of the service participating. When the raiders retired they were followed by drafted men from California, who bombed them copiously.

The attack took place at the point where the American and German trenches were in closest proximity. No Man's Land at that point is only 35 yards wide.

A long period of infantry inactivity was broken by the raid, although there has been a few scattered snipers. Dakota Guardsman Wounded "I was standing in our listening post" (Concluded on Page Twelve, Column Three)

Clearings Gain More Than \$18,000,000

Bank Balances for January More Than Double Those of Same Month in 1917; Business Shows Marked Improvement.

Portland bank clearings for January gained more than \$18,000,000 over the clearings for January, 1917. For the month just closed the clearings amounted to \$80,417,178.17, compared with \$61,975,186.94 for the same month last year.

Balances for January, 1918, were \$14,640,192.06, more than double the total for January of last year, which was \$7,000,000.

This splendid showing is attributed to the many elements in the commercial life of the city being in a most healthy condition. The shipping industry, bankers say, is by far the principal asset of the city at this time. In every line of business there is a marked improvement over last month and business men generally predict that the increase in trade during this year will surpass that of 1917.

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