

LONDON REPORTS ARCHANGEL FIGHT

British, American and Russian Forces Desperately Attacked by Bolshevik Troops.

London, Jan. 31.—The following statement on the heavy fighting between allied (including American) forces and the Bolsheviks in the Russian Archangel region, was issued by the war office on Thursday.

"Further details of the Archangel fighting between Anglo-American and Russian forces and Bolsheviks about Shenkurst have been received.

"The Bolshevik bombardment opened January 19 on our position 190 miles south of Archangel, and this was followed an hour later by an infantry attack of 1200 men against our outpost lines, which withdrew to the main positions, which repulsed the attack. One hundred and fifty losses were inflicted on the Bolsheviks.

"The same day 1000 attacked our lines at Terrier, 15 miles west of Shenkurst, and forced the Cossacks to withdraw 4 miles down the river. Both attacks were by superior numbers.

"Fighting and heavy shelling continued day and night, and on the 22d the allies withdrew to a covering position.

"In the face of threatened surrounding and continuous pressure, the city was evacuated on the 25th, with 500 refugees and sick and wounded, with the loss of one gun and some stores.

"On the morning of the 25th an attack against the position at Tarasovo, on the Archangel-Vologda railroad, was repulsed.

"During the ensuing week there was constant artillery activity against the allied positions in the Archangel region.

"The Bolshevik operations were well organized and showed a marked improvement in leadership. The Bolsheviks fought well and their losses undoubtedly were heavy.

"The allies engaged were mostly American and Russian troops. They were skillfully handled and as the result there were slight casualties."

Men to Be Molded Into Their Clothes

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 31.—The American male who wishes to be modish has a choice between going into training to reduce his adipose tissue and wearing corsets. This was determined upon when the National Association of Merchant Tailors, in solemn convention assembled, decided today that men's clothes are to be skin tight and "high waisted"—whatever that means. From evening clothes to sack business suits the ordained style is to prevail. Even overcoats are to frown upon their owners possessing such a thing as "tummy," for they, too, are to be snug, especially at the waist.

Lewis River Fishers Report Big Catches

Woodland, Wash., Jan. 31.—Steelhead and salmon trout are more plentiful in Lewis river since the recent high water than at any time this season, and while they do not take hold of the bait as well as they were very hungry, expert anglers are making good catches, and all fishermen are getting some fish. The water is still a little low and muddy, but is rapidly clearing and ought to be at its best by next Sunday.

Public Ownership Of Railroads Urged Before Committee

Washington, Jan. 31.—Government ownership of the railroads was urged before the senate interstate commerce committee by Laurence B. Finn, chairman of the Kentucky railroad commission.

He gave eight reasons, which, he said, forced him to conclude, in spite of inherent sentiments to the contrary, that privately-owned railroads could not meet the demands of the public in matters of transportation and elaborated in support of each contention.

"I assert," Mr. Finn said, "that the present method of operating the railroads has created evils not essential to government ownership, and without any corresponding benefits that should naturally be expected under real public ownership and operation."

HOT FIGHT ON GERMAN BAN WAGED

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for them to go to Germany to finish their education.

Not Taught in La Grande

"I don't think it necessary for any American to go to Germany for anything," he insisted, "and we should teach our teachers out of our schools."

Senator Eberhart said he wanted to correct the impression made by the speech of Senator Pierce Thursday that the German language is being taught in the La Grande schools. It has not been taught there for two years, he said.

"Just as one flag is the only flag of this country," he said, "just so should one language be the only language to be taught to the youth of the state of Oregon at the expense of the taxpayers."

Senator Gill and Senator Jones opposed the bill on the ground that it was a business mistake.

Senator Lachmund said that both of his parents were born in Germany and came to this country when very young.

Norblad Finds Two Opinions

"My father fought in the civil war," he said, "and if he were alive today he would be ashamed of the country that gave him birth. I cannot condone that country and if this bill would do the least to penalize that country, then it should be passed."

Senator Norblad said that he had found that some of the senators had a private opinion and an opinion for publication on the question, as he had learned from talking with some of them since the debate Thursday.

"You are not punishing the German people by prohibiting the teaching of their language," he said. "That is hush." He declared that the propaganda that has raised all hell is the military propaganda, which lauds man's military qualities and not his other qualities.

Banks Cites Influence

He said Orton "spilled the beans" when he said "if we do not like this law we can later repeal it."

He insisted that while it is the popular thing now to support a bill of this kind, it will be seen soon that it is a foolish thing and the law will be repealed.

"We will be asleep if we pass this bill as it is," he said, "and our economic interests."

Senator Banks cited the influence on his mind of the German he learned in the public schools, causing him to be among those who were very slow to make up their minds that this nation should take sides against Germany in the war.

"I say that this bill is just," he said. "They talk about trade. Why it is not a question of trade with me. This bill will not prevent anyone learning the German language for the sake of trade."

GROSS NEGLIGENCE CHARGED BY ALLEN

Kansas Governor Lays Blame for Casualties of the 35th Division; Went Into Battle Unprepared.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 31.—Additional charges of alleged inefficiency of the care of the wounded, air protection and artillery transportation for the Thirty-fifth division were made in an address here before the City club by Governor Henry J. Allen of Kansas.

Producing for the first time a letter from a medical officer of the Thirty-fifth division, Governor Allen declared that his charge of lack of care was well founded. The letter from Dr. Harry R. Hoffman of Chicago, former psychiatric surgeon of the 35th division, declared that 4291 casualties in the Argonne action, and 4823 of them were from the Thirty-fifth division.

During the first day of the action the letter said, no first aid clearing station was established, and Dr. Hoffman said that in charge of the station the next day.

Wounded men lay in the mud without blankets or covers, he said, and Governor Allen said, while there may have been 120 airplanes, as Secretary Baker claimed, they were not enough for the 22-mile battle line.

It also told of a conversation with the chief of the remount station of the Thirty-fifth division. The officer said he had 3200 horses, mostly worn out, while 6000 were necessary to handle the work of the division.

Governor Allen declared he had seen wounded men lying on the ground fighting German airplanes with pistols and rifles, and he had seen German airplanes attacking the infantry and artillery formations.

Hornibrook Called
To Political Parley

Albany, Jan. 31.—Will H. Hornibrook, Democratic national committeeman for Oregon, former owner and publisher of the Albany Democrat, has announced that he would leave Albany on February 20 for Washington, where he will attend a called meeting of the Democratic national committee for the purpose of electing a successor to Chairman Vance McCormick, who recently tendered his resignation. Hornibrook, who has a residence property here and upon his return from Washington, will seek another newspaper location. Climatic conditions, which made him a sufferer from asthma, forced Mr. Hornibrook to dispose of his interests here and move to a location that would prove more healthful for him.

Workers Killed: One Crushed

San Francisco, Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—John Russell was killed and Robert S. Yeoman was blinded in one eye and badly crushed Thursday when a crate of car plates, weighing 3500 pounds, fell upon them as it was being loaded upon a gondola car.

Leaders of Labor in Conference at Paris

Paris, Jan. 31.—Labor and Socialist leaders of the allied countries held a meeting in Paris Thursday and the delegation will start on Saturday for Bern for the labor conference there. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Arthur Henderson, the British labor leader, participated in the discussion. Premier Lloyd George considers the labor legislation program now before the peace conference as of the most extreme importance.

South Carolina May Award State Medals

Greenville, S. C., Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—A bill is being prepared for introduction into the South Carolina legislature providing for a state medal to be given every South Carolina man who has seen military service either in the United States or overseas during the war with Germany. The bill also provides medals for wives, mothers, etc., of soldiers or sailors who have made the supreme sacrifice. T. P. Cothran, member of the lower house, will sponsor the bill.

Eastern Town Has Novel Memorial Plan

Catasqua, Pa., Jan. 31.—Catasqua has a novel plan for a \$125,000 monument that it plans to erect for the heroes of the European war. The memorial is to be financed and built by the Catasqua Memorial Community association. It is proposed to incorporate with a capital of \$200,000 with 2000 subscribers at one cent a day, 1500 at two cents a day, 500 at three cents, 500 at five cents, all for five years, this plan netting \$198,000.

300,000 Men Slated For Quick Discharge

Washington, Jan. 31.—There are 300,000 men in army service within the United States who have not been slated for discharge, and 200,000 in camps here who are slated for demobilization, the war department announced this afternoon. The 300,000, it is expected, will all have received their discharge within two weeks.

Canadian General Dead

London, Jan. 31.—(I. N. S.)—Major General Samuel Benfield Steele died at Putney Thursday. He commanded the Canadian troops, and was a veteran of the Boer war. He was born in Furbrook, Canada, on January 4, 1849.

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January Fire Loss Of \$4000 Is Nearly Minimum on Record

If no serious fire occurs before midnight, the month of January will have been a record month for the Portland fire bureau. Up until noon Friday, the fire loss for the month of January amounted to only \$3900.

This is the lowest for the month of January since 1908. In that year a record was set, but \$2119 damage being recorded. Only once since then has this month's record been exceeded and that was in December, 1917, when fire losses amounted to \$4044. In January, 1918, the loss from fire amounted to \$25,000.

Officials of the fire bureau and fire marshal's office believe the low loss is due to the fire prevention campaign.

Roberts Loses Place As Pendleton Chief

Pendleton, Jan. 31.—The Pendleton city council Wednesday by a vote of 3 to 4 decided against reappointing Al Roberts as chief of police. Falling to agree upon a successor the matter was laid over until the next meeting, and Roberts continues in the office until his successor is elected and qualified. Lieutenant Alger Fee was renounced city attorney, Judge Thomas Fitzgerald as recorder, Dr. H. J. Kavanagh as city physician, and John Heartman, street commissioner.

Ban on Pendleton Will Be Modified

Pendleton, Jan. 31.—A proclamation of Mayor Vaughan issued Thursday sets Saturday at 5 p. m., as the time for the lifting of the "flu" ban in Pendleton. The raising of the ban applies to schools, churches, Christian Science organizations, lodges, business houses and picture shows, and all restrictions are removed therefrom. But the ban still continues on public and private dances, and social gatherings are still required to observe the rules and regulations of the ban.

RESERVOIR TANKS PLANNED

Standard Oil Co. to Make Improvements at Linnton Plants.

Work will start at once by the Standard Oil company on the construction of several new reservoir tanks at its plant on the Linnton road. Work has been held back a few days awaiting action of the city council in planning a system of fire prevention for the oil plants along the Linnton road.

An ordinance is being framed by the city attorney, upon request of the council and fire marshal's office, providing for a system of drainage ditches around the tanks which will, in case of fire, lead the oil to one large reservoir, confining its flow to certain areas.

The new ordinance, if passed, will affect the plants of the Union, Standard, Shell and Associated Oil companies.

CITY MAY BID UPON SPRUCE CAMP STOCK NOW ORDERED SOLD

Municipality Is in Need of Several Motor Trucks; Inspection of Equipment Going On.

Commissioners Bigelow and Perkins, together with representatives of the purchasing bureau and a mechanic, are inspecting the material of the United States spruce division at Vancouver, which will be sold to the highest bidder.

Several departments of the city government are in need of motor trucks for facilitating the city's work. A thorough investigation of the government trucks, especially of the two-ton type, will be made. Commissioner Bigelow, in charge of the fire bureau, has use for several trucks in the fire bureau. No bids will be placed, however, by Commissioner Bigelow until a thorough test can be made.

If the material to be sold meets with the requirements needed by the various departments, and in every way is in good condition, the city will submit bids for their purchase.

Commissioner Bigelow hopes to outfit the fire bureau completely with automobile apparatus before the year is over. And as a few trucks need not be absolutely new, Commissioner Bigelow hopes to be able to save the city considerable money in purchasing them.

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Bryan Says Nation Will Stay Dry if Vote Is Permitted

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 31.—William Jennings Bryan is perfectly willing to trust the American people to use the initiative and referendum on the liquor question just as soon as it becomes a part of the constitution of every city and state in the country and the nation, he said.

Mr. Bryan is firm in his opinion that the American people will never vote liquor back. While discussing many phases of the prohibition amendment and the initiative and referendum, he paid his respects to the "wet" lawyers and charged that they are now for the initiative and referendum after having fought it for 15 or 20 years because they see in it a hope to revive the liquor question.

1,000,000 Men to Be Freed by Feb. 1 From British Army

London, Jan. 31.—Demobilization of the British army is proceeding so rapidly that if it continues at the present rate 1,000,000 men, excluding officers, will have been discharged by the end of this month.

The record day for discharges was last Tuesday. During 24 hours ending at noon that date, 38,000 were demobilized. After this month there will be roughly 1,600,000 men left to be dealt with, so, if demobilization continues at the present rate all men, excluding those of the army of occupation, which has been fixed at 900,000 men, will have been demobilized before the end of March.

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DRAINAGE PLAN FOR PENINSULA DISTRICT FORMALLY SETTLED

Details of Sewer Scheme to Go to City Council for Ratification, Then Legislature.

A bill giving the definite plans of the city for the construction of the sewer drainage system for the Peninsula district of the city, and containing the agreement reached by representatives of the Columbia river drainage district No. 1 and Peninsula drainage district No. 2 and the city council, has been prepared by Deputy City Attorney Latourette, and will be presented to the city council for ratification.

If the bill is ratified it will be sent to Salem for introduction in the legislature as a substitute for house bill No. 8.

The bill is the result of a series of conferences between representatives of the drainage districts and the city council. Members of the drainage districts want to be assured that none of the property within the proposed drainage districts will be taxed for preliminary work on the construction of the channel running between the Columbia river and Columbia slough.

According to the terms provided in the bill the property of the district will be assessed as the various sections permit for connections with the sewer, or where the property is directly benefited by the drainage.

A compromise was effected with the drainage district, whereby the concrete dam to be constructed across the slough near the Union avenue approach to the bridge will be moved about three quarters of a mile east.

According to the terms provided in the bill the property of the district for over 20 years, and will be much cheaper than constructing a trunk sewer. City Engineer Laugaard estimates the cost per lot for constructing the channel to be \$30 or more under the trunk sewer scheme, the cost would be about \$90 per lot.

Naval Base in Germany

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Women's \$6.50 to \$9.00 Shoes. Regular lines; all sizes, \$5.40	Misses' \$4.50 to \$5 Shoes. Button or lace. Sizes 11½ to 2, \$3.80	Women's \$11 to \$13.50 Shoes. Regular lines. Black, gray, mahogany and combinations, \$9.80
Women's \$8.50 to \$9 Shoes. Kid, calf or tan calf. English or medium shapes, \$7.40	Women's \$9.50 to \$14.00 Shoes. Black, brown, gray and two-tones, \$7.80	Children's \$4.50 Shoes. Sizes 8½ to 11, \$3.40

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