

# STATES WARNED TO LET M'ADOO HANDLE ROADS

## Obstacles Found Under Private Control Should Not Return Is Plea

# COAST MEN IN SESSION

## Director-General Sends Message Urging Full Duty in War Time

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 14.—It is not alone the soldiers of the nation that fight, but the whole nation fights and a very essential part of America's fighting forces are the railroad officials and employees, according to a personal message from William C. McAdoo director general of the railroads of the United States, to approximately 300 officials and employees of fourteen Pacific coast railroads meeting here tonight.

Mr. McAdoo's message was addressed to the Pacific railroad club which was addressed by several speakers of note on the railroads' participation in war activities, and how they can assist in the more efficient prosecution of the war.

"If our gallant sons who are fighting for America's sacred rights and universal freedom are to be victorious they must be backed with all the man power and resources of the nation. This cannot be done unless the railroads of the country function in the most efficient manner."

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# BILLION DOLLARS SENT TO HOUSE

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signal corps wants storage at Dayton, Cincinnati, Buffalo and Mineola.

The report of the appropriations committee discloses an agreement between the United States and French governments for France to take over after the war the railroad system which the United States army is constructing in France.

The war department has expended \$150,000,000 for materials for this system.

In discussing before the committee the work of the engineer corps, Major General Black, chief of engineers, said construction of the ports of debarkation in France is going forward as rapidly as the trans-shipment will

permit, but "not as rapidly as he would like."

Hoover Asks \$3,000,000. In asking \$3,515,000 for the food administration, Food Administrator Hoover told the committee that his administration is directing the purchase of \$160,000,000 worth of food-stuffs a month for the allies alone, besides the work for home conservation and holding down domestic purchases.

Although the navy department asked for \$3,140,000 for improvement and equipment of navy yards for ship construction, the bill allows only \$1,570,000 in addition to \$18,000,000 heretofore appropriated for that purchase. A total of half a billion was eliminated from the recommendation of the various departments so as to confine the appropriations to immediate needs.

# BASEBALL PRICE SCHEDULE SET

## Uniform Admission Rates Agreed Upon at Meeting of League Heads

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—A uniform schedule of admission prices for the major league baseball parks during the period of the war was agreed upon today by a joint committee appointed for that purpose by the presidents of the National and American leagues. The results of their deliberations was announced at the close of the annual schedule meeting of the American league tonight. Including the 10 per cent war tax the list as announced follows: 25 cent seats, 30 cents each; 50 cent seats, 55 cents; 75 cent seats, \$1.10 and \$1.40 respectively.

These prices were adopted to avoid the trouble and delay which would be caused by making change in pennies. The excess charges over the amount of the regular war tax of 10 per cent on the 25 and 75 cent admissions and the \$1.25 box seats, may be retained or given to charity at the discretion of the individual clubs.

The playing schedule of 154 games for the 1918 season was adopted at the American league session and it was announced that owing to the difficulty in obtaining drill sergeants, there would be no military drilling exercises for the players the coming season.

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# Guarantee to Railroad Security Holders Attacked

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Senate consideration of the administration railroad bill continued today with Senator Cummins, Republican, attacking the standard compensation which he declared excessive. While the public is being asked to lend money to the government at four per cent, it is proposed in the bill, he said, to guarantee to railroad security holders returns ranging from ten to twenty per cent—a "monstrous proposal."

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# HUN COMMENT ON WILSON'S SPEECH SAVAGE

## Attempt to Cause Disruption Between Austria and Germany Charged

# CONTEMPT IS HAUGHTY

## President Makes Three Moves All of Which Have Failed Is Word

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 14.—The industrial organs of western Germany savagely comment on President Wilson's address. Rhenische Westfaelische Gazette under the caption "Wilson, the prisoner," says: "They are talking to save their necks—Wilson, Lloyd George and the toothless tiger in Paris. With lawyers' tricks they are trying to humbug their deluded peoples. "It is impossible to take President Wilson seriously."

Assuming haughty contempt, this newspaper proceeds to prove to its own satisfaction that President Wilson failed in what it terms his three objects, namely, to hearten the British with tales of inexhaustible American resources, to try and split Germany and Austria-Hungary, and to play off the reichstag majority against the military party.

"President Wilson has had no luck," the newspaper continues. "We can tell him a complete accord has just been arrived at between Germany and Austria-Hungary, the effects of which will become patent ere long."

The Dusseldorf Nachrichten says: "After reading the address we have given up hope that our readers will be able to make head or tail of what President Wilson really wants."

"The only thing clear is that by flattering Count Czernin (the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister) he wants to isolate Germany and then isolate all the strong forces within Germany." "President Wilson's address does not mitigate the Versailles declaration one whit. He blasphemously invokes Divine judgment. That judgment already has been spoken. Our soil is enemy free. While the czar and other kings eat bread in exile, we, free in the east, shall settle the free in the west."

# STATE HIGHWAY MEN IN SESSION

## Road Building Program to Aid War Work Is Topic of National Meeting

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The executive committee of the American Association of State Highway Officials met here today to discuss a program of road building and maintenance as a means of assisting in the successful prosecution of the war.

At a previous meeting the highway officials adopted resolutions asking Director General of Highways McAdoo to outline a definite policy for road and street construction and maintenance and to furnish freight cars for transportation of necessary materials.

Today the director general's reply was submitted promising that the railroad administration would cooperate by transporting as promptly as possible materials for construction of national highways designated by the agriculture department as of military or economic necessity.

A joint resolution pending in the house authorizing the secretary of war to employ interned prisoners as agricultural laborers or on highways was approved by the highway officials, who said the problem of labor for road work would virtually be solved if the government authorizes the employment of convict labor.

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ing. He has always taken a keen interest in public affairs but has never before aspired to office. He claims to know the needs of farmers and laboring men.

# Action May Be Taken to Bring Aliens to Justice

Chief of Police Al Foland reported yesterday that he is working on the case of a German alien enemy who not only failed to register, as required by law, but has been uttering seditious language among his fellow employees in one of the largest manufacturing plants in the city.

Two days' investigations have not yet produced the evidence desired, but when it gets the complete evidence, Mr. Allen, will be placed where he will do no harm during the period of the war.

# Miners Voice Opposition to Government Control

SPOKANE, Feb. 14.—Opposition to government control of mines unless an actual shortage of minerals develops under private management was voiced in a resolution adopted at this afternoon's session of the northwest mining convention in session here.

Government subsidies to encourage the production of rare metals, the federal control of customs smelters and metallurgical processes and patents with prices fixed by the government agencies, were asked in other resolutions, and free admission of lead and zinc ores between Canada and the United States was petitioned for.

# TROTSKY AGAINST UKRAINE TREATY

## No Reconciliation of Views Promised at Brest-Litovsk Meeting

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 14.—The stormy closing scenes at Brest-Litovsk, February 8, are described in Berlin telegrams received here. Dr. Von Kuehlmann, the German foreign secretary, in summing up the results of the long discussions, said that a continuation of the debates appeared to promise no reconciliation of the opposing views.

The Austro-Hungarian foreign minister agreed that a prolongation of the discussions offered little prospect of agreement but suggested that an absolute agreement was not essential from the standpoint of a conclusion of peace, and that some territorial and other matters might be left open.

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Minister Trotsky protested at length against the central powers concluding peace with the Kiev rada (the anti-Bolshevik Ukraine government), declaring that this manner of procedure suggested doubt whether the central powers desired to reach an understanding with the government of federal Russia. He declared that the treaty already signed with the Kiev rada could have no value whatever for the Ukrainian people and the Russian government. Dr. Von Kuehlmann then proposed to entrust the question of delimitation to a sub-commission which would report the following day.

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# ALIENS NOT REPORTING PROPERTY ARE SOUGHT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—A nation-wide dragnet is being spread by A. Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian to locate enemy aliens who, through ignorance of the law or malicious intent, fail to make report of their property holdings to his office.

In a statement today calling on loyal Americans to assist the government in apprehending violators of the law, Mr. Palmer gave warning that federal agents are searching the country from coast to coast for outstanding alien property and that holders of unreported property are liable to a fine of \$10,000 or ten years imprisonment, or both. Full notice has been given and the time for filing reports has been liberally extended. Mr. Palmer said, and the law will be impartially enforced against all its violators.

# GIVE FARMERS CHANCE, IS PROFESSOR'S APPEAL

ITHACA, N. Y., Feb. 14.—Warning that the nation "is confronted with the danger of starvation in the next twelve months" and that "the energies of our farmers are paralyzed by price-fixing and the fear of price-fixing," President Jacob Gould Schurman of Cornell university spoke today at the Farmers' Week program at Cornell university on "the food crisis and the farmer."

President Schurman deplored attempts to regulate the prices of farm products but urged legislation to end profiteering in the sale of foodstuffs. He warned that the nation is using up its grain reserves and said he believed the stage had been reached where compulsion should supersede appeals to save food. He appealed to President Wilson and congress to give farmers a fair chance to stimulate agricultural production.

# MANUFACTURERS OPPOSE GERMAN TRADE BOYCOTT

## Decision Should Be Left With President and Congress Is Belief

# GERMANY MUST DECIDE

## Dealings to Be Resumed If Country Accepts Principles of Justice

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The National Association of Manufacturers has dissented to the proposal of a trade boycott on Germany after the war, it was announced tonight. The question was voted upon in a referendum submitted to its members by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. The ballot of the association has been forwarded to Washington.

Disapproval of the boycott plan was voiced by the association's board of directors February 8 before the referendum was submitted to the membership. A statement issued tonight by the association explains the vote.

"The economic boycott proposed by the referendum," it said, "is an unwarranted interference in a matter of international relations, the handling of which rests with the president and congress. The creation of a boycott, as outlined by the Paris conference of 1916, we believe to be at variance with the sentiments of President Wilson, as stated in his address to congress on April 6, 1917.

"We are but the champions of mankind. We shall be satisfied when these responsibilities have been made as secure as the faith and freedom of the nations can make them. We have no jealousy of Germany greatness. We do not wish to fight her with arms of hostile arrangements of trade if she is willing to associate herself with us and the other peace-loving nations of the world in covenants of justice and law in their dealings.

"In view of these facts, the action proposed by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, in our opinion, not only futile, but vicious and meets with our unqualified disapproval."

# MINISTERS AND LAYMEN TO MEET

## Proposed Missionary Convention Will Be Discussed Today

A meeting of the members of the Salem Ministerial association, prominent laymen representing the several churches of the city and a number of the business and professional men of the city will gather at the Y. M. C. A. today during the luncheon hour for the purpose of discussing the laymen's missionary convention which it is proposed to have in this city sometime in March.

Some time ago the matter of bringing the convention to this city was discussed before the ministerial association. The association endorsed the convention but referred the matter to the Y. M. C. A. and the Commercial club for further action. It has received the attention of the directors of the commercial club who voted an appropriation of \$300 toward the expenses of the convention \$150 to be in cash if necessary and \$150 in office help and equipment. The Y. M. C. A. board of directors has turned the matter of the associations' participation in charge of Secretary Gingrich who will make a report at today's meeting.

Simultaneous with the big convention a convention for women will be held with practically the same program. Mrs. F. A. Elliott has consented to act as chairman of the woman's convention.

# Brest-Litovsk Meeting Said to Be Stormy One

ZURICH, Feb. 14.—The Munich Avaria correspondent of the Neue Augsburg Zeitung says he learns that the discussions at Brest-Litovsk last Sunday between Dr. von Kuehlmann, the German foreign secretary; Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, and Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, were particularly stormy and ended in a violent rupture which bore all the seeds of a future conflict.

"That is why the conference at German main headquarters is discussing the eventuality of very energetic military measures against the Russians," the correspondent says.

# Dempsey Knocks Out Flynn in Two Minutes

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Jack Dempsey knocked out Jim Flynn in less than the first two minutes of a bout which was scheduled as a ten-round bout at Fort Sheridan tonight. Both fighters are heavyweights.

Dempsey forced the fighting from the start, a series of left and right blows to the head driving his opponent into the ropes. The knockout came exactly one minute and ten seconds after the match began when Dempsey landed a terrific left hook

to the jaw which knocked the veteran clear through the rope and into the crowd.

Dempsey, the victor in tonight's battle, was knocked out by Flynn in the first round of a bout at Salt Lake a year ago.

# Decree Ends General Strike in Argentine

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 14.—Dr. Hipolito Irigoyen, president of the republic, today, by decree, ended the general strike which had been in progress for some time. The decree compels arbitration between the strikers and employers and requires the men in the meantime to resume work.

# Passenger Train on Fire; Many Are Burned to Death

ZURICH, Feb. 14.—A crowded passenger train from Stansislaw to Lemberg, Galicia, caught fire last Saturday at midnight, while between Jezupol and Wodniki. The train stopped on a bridge over the Dniester and many panic-stricken passengers jumped into the river and were drowned. Many others were burned to death and a large number were injured.

A fire Monday destroyed two large warehouses at the eastern railroad station at Vienna. The buildings were filled with paper, clothing, dried vegetables and potatoes, which is a very severe loss at this time.

# Men Held for Shooting Officers Make Escape

DOUGLAS, Arizona, Feb. 14.—Twelve hours ahead of their pursuers, Thomas Powers, John Powers and Thomas Sisson, sought as the alleged slayers of three Graham county officers killed last Sunday while attempting to arrest the Powers brothers as alleged draft evaders, escaped last night from the Cochise stronghold in the Dragoon mountains and tonight were believed to be hiding in comparative safety in the Chiricahua mountains of eastern Arizona. Authorities in southwestern New Mexico have been asked to watch for the men and both American and Mexican soldiers on border patrol have been instructed to apprehend them if they attempt to enter Mexico.

# More Diphtheria Cases Break Out at Yakima

YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 14.—With no prospect that the city health department order closing schools; theaters, Red Cross work headquarters and other places of assembly would be rescinded until Monday, the city commission today authorized the city health department to rent some suitable lodging house as a detention place for transients who might be quarantined for diphtheria and to employ such additional help as might be needed to cope with the situation. Twelve new cases were reported today.

# \$2.75 for Wheat Is Asked of Government

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Members of the Wheat Growers' association here to demand that the government raise the price of wheat from \$2 2/5 per bushel, held a meeting tonight with senators and congressmen from ten western states and told them at the present time wheat is being fed to hogs because it is cheaper than corn and that unless the price of wheat is raised the farmers will find it financially impossible to raise it this spring. They said under present conditions "wheatless weeks" will take the place of "wheatless days" during coming months of the war.

# Montana to Impose Fines for Sedition

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 14.—An extra session of the Montana legislature, called by Governor S. V. Stewart to consider war measures, met here today. The senate placed on second reading a measure providing for a site council of defense. The house placed on second reading a bill defining sedition and imposing a fine of \$500 to \$1000 and imprisonment of ten years; a bill defining criminal syndicalism, and providing a maximum of ten years or a maximum fine of \$5000 or both; and another bill providing for the council of defense, similar to that in the senate.

# Southern Pacific Earns 17 Per Cent on Stock

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The annual report of the Southern Pacific railroad company for the year ended December 31, made public tonight, showed that the company earned 17 per cent on its outstanding stock. High records on both gross and net earnings were made during 1917, the former being more than \$30,000,000 in excess of the year previous and the latter almost \$11,000,000 greater.

Canada has only two inhabitants for each square mile of her vast territory.

# U. S. MONEY IS ALLEGED SPENT FOR PRIVATE USE

## President Wilson Orders Investigation of Hog Island Construction

# SLOW WORK SUSPICIOUS

## Corporation's Contracts for Building Ships May Be Cancelled

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Investigation by department of justice of the American International Corporation's construction of the government's big fabricating steel yard at Hog Island, Pa., was ordered today by President Wilson with a view to criminal prosecutions if the facts develop more than reckless expenditure of government money.

At the same time Chairman Hurley of the shipping board indicated that the corporation's contracts for building the yard and ships might be cancelled which was taken to mean that the government might take over the yard. This step has been urged by members of the senate committee investigating shipbuilding.

The president asked for the investigation in a letter to Attorney General Gregory.

Charges of mismanagement and a reckless spending of government funds at Hog Island have been made freely before the senate committee. Witnesses have testified that the yard, for which the shipping board is putting up all the money, may cost twice the sum of \$21,000,000 carried in original estimates. The slow progress made in construction of the yard and reports of loose management prompted Chairman Hurley three weeks ago to put in full charge of the work former Rear Admiral F. A. Bowles, assistant general manager of the emergency fleet corporation.

Mr. Hurley's threat to cancel the corporation's contract was contained in a letter to Admiral Bowles directing him to uncover any irregularities and notifying him that Attorney General Gregory had been requested to designate a special assistant to assist him. Admiral Bowles was directed to effect a more economical management, but was asked to await the senate committee's report before announcing any program of action.

# ASSAILANT OF GIRL AT LARGE

## Officers Find No Trace of Man Who Cut Off Miss Rosheim's Hair

Officers report that on trace has yet been found of the man who attacked Lillian Rosheim Wednesday at the Hugh Shull place near Silverton, cut off her hair, and struck her on the back, threatening at the same time to do her other injuries. The young woman has been in bed since the attack. Besides the injury to her back she has an injured wrist and a scratch on the face.

It has developed that the age of the young woman is 19. When first attacked by a masked man, according to her story, he threatened to shoot her if she called for help, then lifted his mask and attempted to kiss her. She says further that when he was unable to kiss her, he took a three-cornered file from his pocket and used it on her hair, holding both of her hands and "her hair in one of his hands. He is said to have cut into strips an apron that was worn by the girl, then becoming frightened when a dog barked to have struck her in the back and thrown her into a ditch.

Miss Rosheim describes her assailant as wearing an old dark blue suit, loggers' shoes and a black cap. She thinks she had heard his voice before.

The young woman has lived in Silverton since she was 9 months old, has many friends and says she has no enemies that she knows of.

# Great Whisky Still Found Near Seattle

Seattle, Feb. 14.—With the discovery late today near Riverton of two big whisky stills, together with hundreds of gallons of fresh liquor and mash, deputy sheriffs believed they had located the source of supply for Seattle's illicit liquor dealers. Two Japanese who lived in the house where the whisky plants were located were arrested. Each still had a capacity of one gallon an hour. Account books containing the names of customers were seized. A large quantity of liquor was destroyed.

# A Double Show

That's Good—TODAY—Til Sunday Night

## LIBERTY THEATRE

MAE MURRAY and HOBART BOSWORTH in "A MORMON MAID"

SIX GRIPPING PARTS, EACH VIBRANT WITH ACTION. A THRILLING STORY OF EARLY MORMON DAYS

# ALICE HOWELL

The Female Chaplin in another of her absolute nutty 2-reel comedies—Good for Kids from 5 to 90 and

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Matinees 10c Evenings 15c KIDDIES 5c

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