

# RITTER THROWN OUT OF ARMY AS ENEMY ALIEN

## Man Arrested for Stealing of Papers Now Rests in County Jail

### INTERMENT SOON DUE

#### Friendly Relation With German Consul in Philippines Revealed

CAMP LEWIS, TACOMA, WASH., Feb. 20.—Thomas Helmuth Ritter, former sergeant major in the office of the division adjutant at Camp Lewis, arrested last December following the disappearance of valuable papers from the office of the division adjutant, today was discharged from the United States army and immediately arrested by Deputy United States Marshal John T. Seigrist on a presidential warrant as an enemy alien and taken to the Pierce county jail at Tacoma. He will be taken to an internment camp, it was said.

Ritter has been confined in the 361st infantry guardhouse since his arrest and, according to his own statement, made in January when the fact of his arrest was revealed, served three years in a German artillery organization in German East Africa. He was known to have been on friendly terms with the German consul while serving with the United States army in the Philippines and had a personal acquaintance with the members of the staff of Franz Bopp, former German vice-consul in San Francisco.

Military authorities tried to connect Ritter with the dynamiting of a troop train near Minneapolis and his case was referred to Washington for final disposition, the order for his internment being the result.

Ritter flatly denied every accusation concerning his army career and talked freely about himself. He for desertion while on the Mexican border and of his final conviction on a charge of being absent without leave. He admitted having purchased his discharge from the army at Manila and of re-enlisting a few weeks after his arrival at San Francisco. He served with the Fourteenth infantry and after leaving the border was stationed at Vancouver Barracks and at Fort Lawton, Seattle, before coming to Camp Lewis.

Ritter spent most of his time while imprisoned here in reading and studying. At the time of his arrest Ritter was regimental sergeant major, the highest non-commissioned rank in the army. When he left the guardhouse he still wore his uniform, except for the army overcoat and the blue hat cord of the infantry.

The Camp Lewis all-star basketball team this afternoon defeated the fast St. Martin's college team at camp, 61 to 25. The St. Martin's team was unable to cope with the

soldier athletes and the result of the game never was in doubt. It was St. Martin's first defeat of the season.

## CHOLM GIVEN UP IN PACT BY UKRAINE

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and the voices raised in defense of such a policy would have been drowned under a raging hurricane of indignation from all the Austrian ranks.

"In view of these various considerations, I must also emphatically reject certain insinuations which have been made concerning the relations between Austria-Hungary and Germany."

The premier's speech was received throughout with unusual demonstrations of approval, except from the Poles who remained calm, though showing occasional signs of dissent.

## Mrs. Mahala Carey Dies After Lingered Illness

Following a lingering illness, Mrs. Mahala Carey died last night at 7:30 o'clock at her home on Union street.

The pioneer woman was born at Lone Jack, Mo., December 11, 1845. She married at an early age and had seven children, five of whom are living. She was a church member since the age of 14. The funeral will probably be held from First Methodist church, although the arrangements have not yet been made.

The surviving children are Monroe and Frank Switzer of Cloverdale, Or.; Mrs. Alice Moon, Ceres, Calif.; Mrs. Mae Wooden, Salem, and Mrs. Winnie Morrison of Mabel, Or. She was married to Barney I. Carey in 1905. The body is at the Rigdon chapel.

## WOMAN WANT THE BEST

Woman is more finely constructed than man and she requires the best to be had in medicines when her system becomes disordered. Foley's Kidney Pills help the kidneys cleanse the blood of impurities that cause aches and pains in muscles and joints, backache, rheumatic pains and puffiness under eyes. J. C. Perry.

## Tom Walker Says Crops Are in Fine Condition

Whenever "Tom" Walker comes to town you are sure to get the latest in regard to crops, weather and road conditions, and all else that makes life in the country worth living, and his visit yesterday was no exception to the rule.

About the first thing he had to say, was: "I was out over the farm yesterday, and you should have seen the crops. Never in my life have I seen the wheat in as fine condition as it is today, so healthy looking, with that fine black color, which you know means big heads at harvest time."

"Our Middlegrove school district now has thirty-seven Red Cross members, and they are doing a lot of work for the boys over there."

## COAL WILL GO FOR ESSENTIAL INDUSTRIES ONLY

### Administrator Garfield Divides Consumers Into Four Classes

### WAR HAS RIGHT OF WAY

#### Purpose Is to Disturb Industrial Fabric as Little as Possible

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—A direct method of preferential coal distribution to supply first the requirements of consumers whose needs are considered necessary in winning the war and to curtail consumption by the less essential industries, will be instituted soon by the fuel administration.

The program outlined tonight by Fuel Administrator Garfield calls for division of all consumers into four classes and for the creation of a preferential board representing the fuel administration, the army and navy and the shipping board to pass on the importance of consumer's needs.

Class 1, which would get coal first would include consumers put in a preferential list in the fuel administration's closing order of January 17. This list still is receiving preferential treatment, but there has been no classification of other consumers. It includes households, ships, railroads, public utilities and public institutions.

Class 2 would include necessary war industries; class 3 necessary peace industries and class 4 the so-called makers of luxuries.

There would be no attempt at establishing preferences within any of the classifications and the duty of the preferential board would be to decide between consumers of a given class.

Preferential distribution would be enforced by orders to operators to supply consumers according to classification and by cooperative measures on the part of the railroad administration which would assist by embargoes.

Preferential Board to Decide. Many industries in class 2 would fall also in class 3 since a great many factories are working both on war orders and on contracts for the general public.

The plan furnishes the first definite movement to put American industry on a strictly war basis. The question of restricting the operations of the less essential industries have bothered government officials since the outbreak of the war but thus far the problem has not been dealt with directly.

The purpose of the new plan will be, it was explained tonight, to dis-

turb the industrial fabric as little as possible and "many of the industries engaged in producing materials not considered essential will be converted into munition plants."

## WORST WINTER IN YEARS

Snow wind and extreme cold caused more colds this winter than in years. Oley's Honey and Tar proved its worth in thousands of homes. Mrs. Edward Strey, R. 37, Clinton, O., says: "I think Foley's Honey and Tar is the only medicine for colds and coughs and recommend it highly." Fine for children. J. C. Perry.

## Thomas Larkin Williams Will Go to Washington

Thomas Larkin Williams, who for ten years has been connected with the Ladd & Bush bank, has resigned his position and will leave in a few days for Washington, D. C., where he will accept a position as auditor in the internal revenue department. Since the organization of the savings department at the Ladd & Bush bank Mr. Williams has had charge of that department. Mrs. Williams and the two sons, Winston and Thomas Larkin, Jr., will remain in Salem temporarily.

## HUN ADVANCE INTO RUSSIA NOT CHECKED

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signed by Nikolai Lenine and B. Trotsky from Tarskoo-Selo was today (Tuesday) received at Konig Wusterhausen at 9:12 a. m. It has been handed over to the royal government, although a wireless message cannot be regarded as an official document because the original signatures are absent. I am authorized to request from the peoples' commissaries authentication in writing of the wireless message, which must be sent to the German commander at Dvinsk.

(Signed) "General Hoffman." "We are sending today from Petrograd a messenger to Dvinsk with the wireless message containing the original signatures of Lenine and Trotsky. We beg you to give us an acknowledgment of this message and inform us if it has been received promptly. We also beg you to reply in Russian." (Signed) "Council of the Peoples' Commissaries."

## LIQUOR RULING MADE STRONGER

### Complete Abolition of Bootleggers Outside Dry Army Zones Is Aim

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Revision of the rules prohibiting the sale or serving of intoxicants to officers and enlisted men of the army, announced yesterday, is designed, Chairman Fosdick of the commission on training camp activities, explained today, to stamp out "bootlegging" outside of the dry zones around military camps. Not only is the old ruling not relaxed, he said, but the revised regulation is much more stringent.

Under the original order, Mr. Fosdick said, only the sale of liquor to officers and enlisted men in uniform was prohibited outside of the dry zones, and bootlegging and unscrupulous liquor dealers were enabled to evade the law without violating it technically.

As revised the regulations prohibit the serving, giving or delivering of intoxicants to an officer or soldier outside the zone, except that in private homes liquors may be served to officers or soldiers who are members of the family or bonafide guests. Persons convicted of violating the new regulations would be liable to a fine of \$1000 or twelve months imprisonment, or both.

The definition of the term "military camp" has been enlarged in the revised order to embrace training camps of the ordnance and quartermaster's department and medical officers throughout the United States, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

## BAN IS PUT ON SMALL VESSELS

### Ruling Is Made by Shipping Board as Move for Conservation

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The shipping board tonight directed that after February 20 no American steamer of over 2500 dead weight tons be permitted to clear for a transatlantic voyage or to engage in other long voyage trades.

This ruling has been adopted, it was announced, as a measure of conservation, since in the board's judgment steamers of small tonnage are unsafe in such trades.

To obtain a further measure of control over ships of less than 2500 tons and over sailing ships, the shipping board is contemplating requisitioning all American tonnage not already taken over. It has commandeered all steamers of more than 2500 tons.

One purpose in today's order is to effect a further control over transatlantic freight rates. Vessels that were commandeered were turned back to operators on definite charter rates and the freight rate the charge is controlled, but the smaller ships have charged all they could obtain. In many instances, it was declared today, these rates have been exorbitant.

The smaller ships limited to coastwise and nearby trades will be used to release more ships for transporting men and materials to Europe.

## CONDITION OF WORKER'S HOME IS DEPLORABLE

### Employees' Representative Blames Packers Who Say City Is at Fault

### FILTH FOUND RAMPANT

#### Living Standard Varies Between Homes Having Same Wage Income

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—First hand information of living conditions in the district known as "back of the yards," where many packing house employees live, was gained today by Federal judge Samuel Aleschler, arbitrator, between the packers and laborers in the wage controversy, when he inspected the homes there. He was accompanied by representatives of the packers and employees. Statements made after the trip by Carl Meyer, representing the packers, and Frank Walsh, representing the employees, show that for the first time since the investigation was started, attorneys for the two sides agreed on something. Both men declared that the buildings in which the laborers lived were practically uninhabitable and that fire danger was so great that remedial action should be taken at once.

Mr. Meyer was inclined to blame the conditions on the city, declaring that it should force the landlords to tear down the old buildings or not allow them to be rented. Mr. Walsh seemed to think the fault lay with the packers.

Twelve homes were visited, five of them selected by the packers, four by the employees and three at random by Judge Aleschler. "We found one home where an 8-year-old boy took care of seven brothers and sisters while his father and mother worked," said Mr. Walsh. "The place was filthy and all the children had contracted skin diseases from the filth. In the kitchen were the remains of the mid-day meal—boiled cabbage, bread and coffee. The boy said that was all they ever had at noon and there was no other food on the place, except a half head of cabbage."

"Many of the houses are fine in appearance from the outside giving the impression of great cleanliness and sanitation, but inside they are filthy."

Mr. Meyer declared that while much filth was found it was due to the family and not to working conditions.

"The families living in filth and dirt are the kind that would live the same way if wages were quadrupled," he said. "We found many places that were iced in sanitation, but others where the people were making the same wages, where the conditions were bad."

Miss Evelyn Mienburg of the bureau of applied economics at Washington will be one of the chief witnesses tomorrow.

## BANKERS AND BISHOPS WIN

### League Leaders Defeat Watt Shipp Company by Score of 24 to 4

Standing of the Teams.  
Capital National Bank ..... 1090  
Watt Shipp Co. .... 334  
Hauger Bros. .... 334  
Hauger Bros. .... 223

The Capital National bank team defeated the Watt Shipp company in the first game of basketball at the Y. M. C. A. last night by the one-sided score of 24 to 4. Needless to say the bankers played their usual brilliant game. Their passing was excellent and their goal shooting well directed throughout the entire game.

The second game was somewhat of a surprise. Hauser Brothers took the lead early in the game, ending the first half with the score, Hauser Brothers 3 and the Bishops 1. The second half was somewhat of a run-away. Eoff replaced Nist at forward for the Bishops and started early in the half to throw baskets from all angles of the floor. His teammates soon got their eyes on the basket also and nine baskets from the field were scored by the Bishops to their opponents two.

Lineup and score:  
Capital National Bank—Harrn (7), Baker (13), Socolofsky, Robinson, Steiner (4), Purvine.  
Watt Shipp Company—Shafer, Seor, Jaskoski (4), De Lapp, Radcliff, Clark

Final score: Capital National Bank, 24; Watt Shipp Company, 4.  
Hauger Brothers—Hickman, Smith, Brooks (8), Berger, Hull.  
Bishops—Nist, Utter (3), Cooper (6), Shy, Ryan (2), Eoff (8).

Final score: Bishops 19; Hauser Bros. 8.

Officials: Glen Gregg, referee; Lot Pearce, timer; Oscar B. Gingrich, scorer.

### This Diversion Made Salem Look Like Summer Season

A sand pile—just from the sea, far away.  
A small brindie puppy dog, with big, wide eyes.  
Two little girls, playing on the

## NEW SHOW TODAY

# Mary Miles Minter

Dainty damozel of girlish graces—blue eyed fairy of the screen in

## "BEAUTY and the ROGUE"

In which wide-eyed innocence disarms a callous crook.

KIDDIES	MATINEES	EVENINGS
5c	10c	15c

### BLIGH THEATRE

ground, making pies, and filling dishes and cups with sand, as if in memory of other days on the beach, so far away.

A real, honest-to-goodness hot sun, playing hide and seek with the small teary party and its guests, who were not invited but stood by to guard the little folks against injury from auto cars, which would keep backing up to the curb to discharge cream cans, or take out orders; still the play went on.

Can you beat it?  
**War Finance Corporation to Undergo Two Changes**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—An agreement for revision of the two most important provisions of the bill for a war finance corporation to aid in the financing of war and contributory industries was reached late today by Secretary McAdoo and the senate finance committee.

Under the compromise which is expected to secure unanimous committee support for the measure, the powers for licensing of security issues of \$100,000 and over would be vested, instead of in the directors of the proposed corporation, in a "capital issues committee" composed of three members of the federal reserve board and three representatives of private financial interests. This provision would in effect give the present unofficial and voluntary capital issues committee now cooperating with the treasury department, legal authority to control large financing.

## U. S. AIRPLANE PROGRAM FIVE MONTHS AHEAD

### First Shipment of Planes, With Liberty Motors, Enroute to France

## SCORES OF MEN NEEDED

### Forty-Six Persons Are Required on Ground for Every One in Air

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The first American-built battle planes are en route to France, nearly five months ahead of the original schedule.

In making this announcement tonight, Secretary Baker said the first shipment, although in itself not large, "marks the final overcoming of many difficulties met in building up this new intricate industry."

"These planes," Mr. Baker said, "are equipped with the first Liberty motors from machine production. One of them in a recent test surpassed all records for speed and climbing for planes of that type. Engine production which began a month ago, is now on a quantity basis and the peak will be reached in a few weeks. Only the twelve cylinder type is being made, as developments abroad have made it wise to concentrate on the high powered engine instead of the eight cylinder."

Optimistic as these statements appear, the secretary said they should not be exaggerated and should be considered in the light of these facts:

Many Men Needed.  
That after three years of warfare the total planes able to take the air at any one time on either side of the western front has not been more than 2500;  
That forty six men are required

GEORGE LOANE TUCKER PRESENTS

# THE MANX-MAN

by HALL CAINE

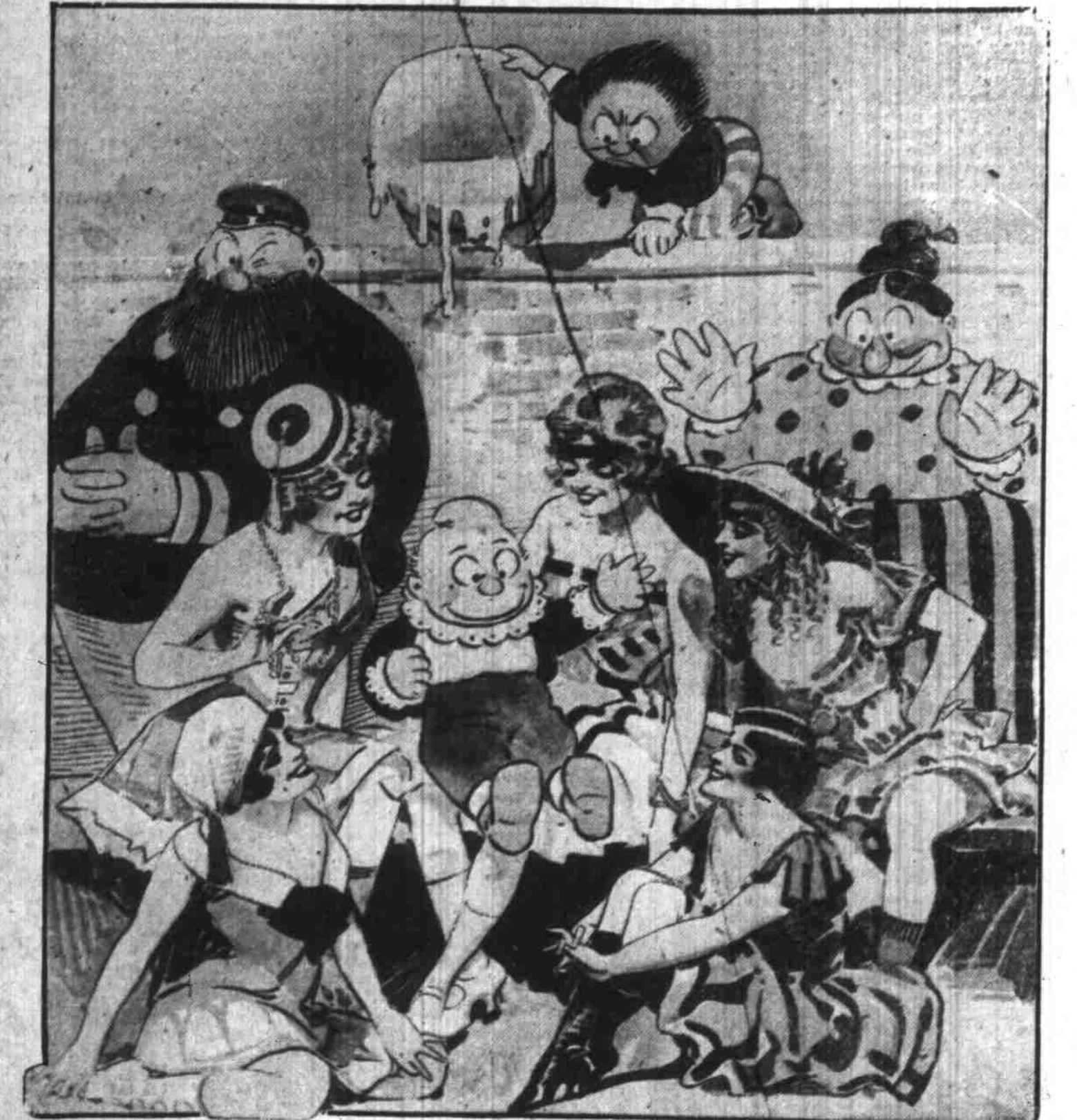
A SUPER-FEATURE—PRODUCED ON "ISLE OF MAN"

It will make you sit tense and grip your seat with excitement, it will make you cry with love and sympathy for big, smiling Pete, and it will make you laugh with pure, undiluted joy.

STARTS FRIDAY

## LIBERTY THEATRE

USUAL PRICES



Hans Putting one over on the bunch of beauties in the world's greatest fun show "The Katzenjammer Kids" at the Grand, Monday-February 25.

One of the scenes of "Katzenjammer Kids," the newest song, fun, dance and girl show made from the original comic supplement cartoons which will be seen in this city shortly, is laid in the Hawaiian Islands. This scene is said to be one of the most picturesquely beautiful stage pictures ever seen, being a riot of brilliant colors harmoniously blended together that will surely please the eye. At the Grand, Monday, February 25.