

# JAPANESE SEND FLEET OF SHIPS TO VLADIVOSTOK

Mikado's Government Despatches War Vessels to Russian Port for Purpose of Protecting Interests of Allies.

United Press Staff Correspondent. Tokyo, Jan. 10.—Japanese warships have been despatched to Vladivostok for protection of allied interests there, according to official announcement today. The action follows long continued appeals from Japanese and other citizens in the Russian port for adequate protection, not only to their own lives and property but to great quantities of allied munitions and supplies there.

the orders sending warships. Protection of allied interests in Siberia, he said, is Japan's responsibility, while the other allies are fighting the battles in Europe. No Japanese will be moved to Siberia for the present, he said.

Congestion on the trans-Siberian railroad and general demoralization of transportation incident to the internal difficulties in Russia is reported to have resulted in unprecedented tying up of supplies at Vladivostok. The Bolsheviks have been making desperate efforts to commandeer this material, much of which had been ordered by the old monarchist regime.

## Bomb Is Found Near Large Battleship in American Port

An American Port, Jan. 10.—A bomb, believed to have been placed by German agents, was found today within a few feet of one of the largest United States battleships, in drydock here.

The bomb was discovered by one of the crew. Written on it in German was the inscription: "This is a 25-second explosive bomb."

The container was in the shape of a telephone receiver and was about six inches long.

Immediately after the discovery of the engine of destruction, department of justice agents were called in to work on the case.

## Director General of Railroads and His Assistant



President Wilson has selected William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, to carry out his momentous change in government policy in taking over con-

trol of the transportation facilities of the United States. These photographs show the director general of transportation in various attitudes, and also

John Skelton Williams, controller of the currency, once president of the Seaboard Air line.

## Officials Question Sanity of Woman Arrested as Spy

San Francisco, Jan. 10.—"The United States had no right to go against Germany. I want to see Germany win the war and I want to see the United States lose. I am not afraid to be shot and I am not afraid of anything that they may do to me."

With these words, Mrs. Elizabeth Guistorf, arrested at Hanford and brought here for examination as an alleged German spy, admitted spying activities dating since May, 1917, according to government agents today. She said she made a statement of her activities to army intelligence officers. She refused to implicate anyone and did not reveal the source of letters regarding alleged spying activities, found in her possession. While officials questioned her sanity, she declared she was feigning insanity when examined at Hanford.

## Caillaux Treason (Continued from page one)

He sees in the war now a struggle for existence on the part of England. Although he spoke much of the "indiscretions and clumsy policy" of the Wilhelmstrasse and professed to believe in German atrocities, he has in essential hardly changed his political orientation.

"Caillaux welcomes indirect courtesies from me, but emphasized the extreme caution which he is obliged to show as the French government, he said, had watched him even here. He warned us against the excessive praise bestowed upon him by our papers, especially the Neue Freie Presse, and desired on the other hand, that the Mediterranean and Morocco agreement should be adversely criticized.

"Our praise injures his position in France. Caillaux's reception here was cool. His report about Brazil had nothing new. On his return to France he will, to begin with, reside in his constituency. He fears Paris and the fate of Jaures.

"BERNSTORFF." "Number 202. Naval attaché to admiralty staff. Hamburg telegraph. "Tel. Rio de Janeiro, telegraph steamer Ara Guaya left Buenos Aires January 30th. The captain is carrying important papers. Capture very desirable. Caillaux on board. In case of capture Caillaux should, in an obstructive way, be treated with courtesy and consideration. Can you inform our cruiser?"

"BERNSTORFF." "Gave Order to German Press. The German censorship order given the German press on June 6, 1917, said: "For political reasons, it is urgently requested that nothing be written about the former French prime minister, Caillaux, and that his name not be mentioned under any circumstances."

Caillaux long a storm center in French politics, was arrested this week in Paris

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as a result of the Bernstorff messages furnished by the state department. At the time it was said incriminating evidence had been found against him also in the private vaults of an Italian bank.

Caillaux had been under fire for alleged assistance in propaganda work in Italy and was regarded as an intimate of Bolo Pasha, who dealt in big men and millions for Germany.

The Bernstorff cables constitute the second revelation by the state department of the envoy's direct communication with Berlin in intrigue matters.

That these messages constitute a part of the famous Luxburg correspondence is apparent.

That America's state department—and not England's—supplied them to France indicates clearly that the United States alone was responsible for making this haul of damaging evidence against Germany.

Some had thought that the British censor intercepted the Luxburg documents, but it is now considered certain that had they passed them previously they would have notified their ally friends.

This latest chapter in German intrigue shows Bernstorff and other Teuton diplomats to have played for big stakes—the former premier of France, while other documents show Bernstorff in the role of an attempted corrupter of the American congress.

## Railroad President May Be Appointed Aide to McAdoo

Washington, Jan. 15.—Appointment of R. H. Ashton, president of the Chicago and Northwestern railway, to a high post in Director-General McAdoo's railroad administration, was forecast today, when it was announced he has been summoned to Washington to confer on mid-west transportation problems.

## Part Owner in Hop Ranch Near Salem Wounded at Jerusalem

Salem, Or., Jan. 10.—Brigadier-General J. T. Wigan, D. S. O., has been seriously wounded while fighting with General Allenby at Jerusalem, according to information received today. General Wigan is senior partner in the London firm of Wigan and Richardson, the world's largest hop concern, and his hop ranch near Independence, Or., is one of the largest in the country. He frequently visited Salem before the war.

## Ask Divorce Because Husband Gives His Time to I. W. W.

Portland, Or., Jan. 10.—Cruelty and "I. W. W. ism" are the charges Dorothy Larsen makes against Roy Larsen in a divorce suit today, alleging her home was broken because Larsen spent all of his time last year "spell-binding" with the "wobblies."

## Strahorn Denies Plan to Ask Government to Finance Road

Portland, Or., Jan. 10.—Firm denial of the report that he is contemplating asking the government for financial assistance in building his railroad was made today by Robert E. Strahorn, president of the Oregon, California and Eastern railway. He declares the government is too busy with matters of greater importance and predicts the people of Oregon will do all the financing necessary.

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but this was containable only provided the arrangement was mutual.

"Inasmuch as our government is deeply internationalistic, we would consider it a great step forward," Trotsky asserted, "if the Germans would consider it possible openly to discuss their opinion regarding the situation in Russia."

The discussion, the Russian delegates said, was halted at this point by Count Czernin's announcement that the order of business was terminated and the conference stood adjourned.

## Trotsky Blocks Teuton Plan.

This was on Saturday. Previous to this particular discussion the conferees wrangled for some length on the question of self-determination of peoples and of the necessity for German withdrawal from territories now occupied by her.

Foreign Minister Kuehlmann attempted to hurry up discussion of economics and trade between Russia and Germany. Trotsky held out on such a course on the ground that such discussion was "premature," as long as the conferees were sharply divided on the chief points at issue. He declared these barriers were Poland, Lithuania and Courland and German occupation of those territories.

Kuehlmann replied that Germany "desired not to lose time."

"I am certain that peace will be concluded," he added.

Kuehlmann acquiesced in the Russian demand that a special commission formulate a plan of referendum by which conquered territory might work out its own self-determination. He permitted addition of Armenia to this list of territories, declaring "this will not be any serious obstacle."

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# AMERICAN GIRL GAVE WARNING TO TEUTON SPY

Washington Woman, Loved by Sporemann, Cautioned Him to Stay Away From Army Camps.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The love of Walter Sporemann, alleged German agent, for a pretty, talented girl musician in a local hotel, led to his arrest in the Hampton Roads naval district.

That girl—May Stoops, who says she is American through and through—said today she had warned Sporemann against working around army camps because, as he was a German, it might be dangerous for him.

Letters which Sporemann sent the girl were stopped in transit and inspected by the prying eyes of government officials. In this way they kept track of him, arrested him near Newport News, Va., and now have him safely in custody at Baltimore.

The girl musician is not regarded as in any way connected with Sporemann's alleged spy work.

Government evidence indicates Sporemann was probably addicted to drugs. The United Press was informed that the search of his effects showed several drugs and a hypodermic in his trunk, along with damaging documents indicating an alliance with his fatherland.

That Sporemann may have been a tool for bigger men is the belief of authorities here.

The girl musician professed to be

dumbfounded at the revelations of Sporemann's work.

"Oh, do you think it can be true?" she gasped. "I can't believe it; I don't know what to think."

"Didn't you know that he was a German?" she was asked.

"Oh, yes, I knew that. And I always told him that he ought not to work around army camps because he is a German. I begged and begged him to get something else to do where he wouldn't be in so much danger. But, of course, I didn't think he would do anything like this."

"I am American through and through and I wouldn't do anything against my country—why, I'd die first."

She paused to pull out a package containing a handkerchief with an American flag on it.

"Look here, let me show you something," she interrupted. "It was only yesterday that he sent me an American flag that he thought I would like."

The girl didn't know whether she would attempt to see Sporemann in jail. What will happen to Sporemann if convicted is still in doubt. But it appears likely today that the department of justice would handle the case and that it would be considered civil, with a maximum penalty of \$10,000 fine and 10 years imprisonment.

If he were retained by military authorities, he might be tried by court-martial and shot, and while the new espionage law apparently does not prevent the death penalty, it does not appear that there is a disposition to give him the limit.

Government authorities revealed today that their original tip on Sporemann came from a conversation overheard at a street car.

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