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LEON TROTSKY NOW PRISONER OF ESTHONIA

DISPATCH SAYS BOLSHIEVSKI
MINISTER DID NOT ESCAPE
AFTER LATE BATTLE

REDS LOSE MORE BATTLES

Beaten by Lithuanian Soldiers, Who
Capture 6,500 Prisoners, With
Light Loss

Basel, Jan. 24.—Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik minister of war, did not escape from Narva after the Estonians defeated the Bolsheviks, but was taken prisoner, according to Libau dispatches.

Paris, Jan. 24.—Lithuanian troops inflicted a heavy defeat upon the Bolsheviks near Koszedary, midway between Kovono and Vilna, it is reported. The casualties of the Bolsheviks were heavy, 6,500 prisoners being taken. The Lithuanians are advancing toward Vilna. Their losses are said to have been light.

GERMANS INSULT U. S. FLAG

American Headquarters in Germany, Jan. 20.—The American flag has been submitted to the ultimate in insults.

Coblenz dealers have been discovered selling watch fobs made of iron crosses on which were replicas of American flags. Army officials confiscated all these stocks and are seeking the manufacturers. One retailer has been arrested.

NEW POLITICAL PARTY FORMED BY THE IRISH

Dublin, Jan. 24.—A new political association, called the Irish Center party, has been formed. It stands for home rule within the British empire similar to other British dominions and embraces the Constitutional Nationalists and Southern Unionists.

WAR DRIVES SMILE FROM YANK'S FACE

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 24.—Courtney death in clashes with Boche planes in the clouds or toying with fate in fantastic aerial acrobatics has driven the once constant smile from the lips of Captain "Eddie" Rickenbacher, ace of American airmen in France.

This is disclosed in a photograph of the airman, with his machine, just received by a friend of Rickenbacher's auto racing days, when he resided in Des Moines. His face now seems grim and set.

"The smile of days gone by has faded considerably as you will notice," he confesses in an accompanying note. "This is my 220 horsepower Spad which I have had 18 victories with. Am feeling bully and hope to be back in God's Country again soon. Expect to arrive on the Rhine in another week."

130 UNIONS TO VOTE ON SYMPATHY STRIKE

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 24.—Members of 130 unions affiliated with the central labor council, are preparing for a vote for or against a general strike on February 1, in sympathy with the shipyard workers.

MONARCHISTS MAY WIN IN PORTUGAL

Garrison at the Capital Joins the Revolvers—Police Called and Clash Is Imminent

Madrid, Jan. 24.—A monarchy has been proclaimed in Lisbon, the capital of Portugal, says a dispatch from Valencia. Most of the Lisbon garrison is reported to have gone over to the monarchists. Reports says the monarchist movement is apparently making no headway in the southern part of Portugal.

The police forces of the south have been marshalled to be used against the northern forces.

40,000 MINISTERS TO TALK VICTORY GARDEN

Washington, Jan. 24.—Forty thousand ministers covering every denomination in the United States have been requested by the National War Garden commission to aid in the campaign for victory gardens. The commission suggests that on Sunday, February 2, the message of the importance of home food production should be carried to the congregations.

COMMON STRAY DOGS PLAY BIG PART IN WAR

London, Dec. 29.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—England's dog army rendered gallant service in the war. Many a soldier owes his life to some poor, uncared-for, stray dog. For nearly two years dogs were employed by the British as messengers, as sentries and as guards.

Early in 1917 a war dog school of instruction was established by the British war office, and Lieutenant Colonel Richardson, who has devoted his life to training dogs for military and police purposes, was appointed commandant of the school. Game-keepers, hunt servants and shepherds were called up from the army to assist in the work of instruction.

After a thorough training in England, the dogs were sent to France, and on the battlefields their skill, courage and tenacity amazed the army. Often wounded in the performance of their duties, they never faltered while strength remained to carry on. The official record of their heroic work tells of successful message carrying through darkness, mist, rain and shell fire over the most difficult ground. In a few minutes' time dogs have brought messages over ground that would take a soldier runner hours to cross.

During the great German advance last spring part of the British line in front of a famous French town was cut off by severe enemy barrage. A messenger dog was released with an urgent appeal for reinforcements. It ran two miles in ten minutes. The result was that a French colonial division was sent up and prevented a disaster. The messenger was a Highland sheep dog.

Another dog with a message ran nearly four miles in 20 minutes, and still another in the same time carried back from the front a map of an important captured position, when a man would have taken an hour and a half to bring it in.

The dogs which have been found most successful in war work are collies, sheep dogs, lurchers and airedales, and crosses of these varieties, while in a number of cases Welsh and Irish terriers have given excellent results.

The work of sentry dogs has been valuable, especially in the Balkans. One gave warning of an enemy scout 300 yards away. On many occasions dogs have given warning of enemy patrols long before the soldier sentries were aware of their presence.

Large numbers of dogs have been used for guard duty, many on the Italian front.

ALLIES WARN WORLD NOT TO APPLY FORCE

SUCH AN ACT WOULD PREJUDICE
CLAIMS AT FINAL PEACE
SETTLEMENT

AN OPEN SESSION SATURDAY

Will Determine Strength of Guard
on Western Front—Wilson May
Head League of Nations

Paris, Jan. 24.—The allied and associated powers have decided to send a wireless message throughout the world, warning all concerned that parties using armed force to gain possession of territory to which the peace conference would be asked to determine their claim, would "seriously prejudice" the claims of those using force.

The supreme council appointed a committee to inquire into the strength of forces to be maintained on the western front during the armistice.

Paris, Jan. 24.—President Wilson will likely be offered the presidency of the commission of the league of nations of the permanent executive body for the conduct of the league, according to the Echo De Paris.

Paris, Jan. 24.—Tomorrow's session of the peace congress will be open to the press, like the first session. International legislation on labor will be the first subject to come up for discussion.

HAWAIIAN INDUSTRY 100 PER CENT AMERICAN

Honolulu, T. H., Jan. 24.—R. H. Trent, representative in Hawaii of the enemy alien property custodian, announced recently that the total value of enemy-owned property taken over here by his office was about \$15,000,000. More than \$1,000,000 in cash has been sent to Washington and \$3,000,000 more will be sent within the next six months. Besides this \$1,700,000 has been invested here in Liberty bonds. German subjects were heavily interested in the Hawaiian sugar industry, which has been made "100 per cent American" according to Mr. Trent.

PROPOSE LAW TO FAVOR JAP "PICTURE BRIDES"

Honolulu, T. H., Jan. 23.—According to advices received here by the Nippo Jiji, a Japanese daily newspaper, immigration societies of Japan are advocating several modifications of the regulations now governing Japanese immigration to the United States and other countries. One change asked is the extension from a year and a half to three years of the period allowed for the return to the United States of Japanese who have gone to the homeland for a visit. It is said that there is now in Japan several thousand Japanese who cannot return to Hawaii because they have overstayed the time limit.

Another change proposed is to permit Japanese picture brides to obtain passports for the United States immediately after their marriage has been reported to the American authorities. At present a picture bride must wait in Japan six months before she can leave to join the man she married by mail.

NEW MEASURE AIMED AT THE CEMENT TRUST

BILL STRIKES AT EVERY FORM
OF MONOPOLY AND MAY BRING
ON BATTLE ROYAL

REBEC SAYS BABIES ABUSED

"Handed Out Over State Like Pup-
pies"—Would Abolish Child Wel-
fare Commission

Salem, Ore., Jan. 24.—With an emergency clause attached, Senators Thomas and Lachmund introduced their anti-trust bill which is predicted will precipitate a battle royal. While the bill is primarily directed at the "cement trust," the language is general and strikes at every form of monopoly. It was drafted by the attorney general and patterned after the South Dakota act.

Salem, Ore., Jan. 24.—Dr. George Rebec, of the University of Oregon a member of the child welfare commission, told the joint ways and means committee that tiny, helpless, homeless babies are handed out in Oregon like puppies. He advocated the abolition of the child welfare commission and the passage of bills introduced by Senator Farrel and Mrs. Thompson for the care of dependent, delinquent children. The measure call for a \$6,000 appropriation.

Salem, Ore., Jan. 24.—The state engineer has been informed that the Langell River Irrigation district in Klamath county has been organized. The project covers 20,000 acres, the water to be taken from a government reservoir at Clear Lake, Cal.

PORTLAND VICINITY HEAVY HIT BY STORM

Portland, Jan. 24.—Howling winds and torrential rainfall, leaving in their wake giant landslides, tempestuous creeks and rivers and toppled trees, early yesterday virtually marooned Portland completely from the rest of the world. Considerable damage has resulted, to telegraph, telephone and transportation lines. In some instances train service out of Portland is entirely shut off, and in others serious delay is experienced. All lines are working under slow orders because of threatened danger from unexpected slides and fallen trees.

44 O. A. C. MEN GIVE LIVES FOR COUNTRY

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Jan. 24.—A gold star in the college service flag represents Paul Lorenz of Grants Pass, as one of the 44 O. A. C. men who are known to have died for their country.

Information on the war service rendered by college men is being compiled by H. M. Tennant, registrar, and will be published in the special war edition of the Beaver, the junior class annual, next spring. Fourteen of the 44 men are known to have been killed in action or to have died of wounds, while 18 died of Spanish influenza or pneumonia.

Two stars represent faculty members. Dr. W. J. Phillips, college physician, with the title of first lieutenant in the medical corps, died of pneumonia in an eastern hospital. First Lieutenant Mark Middlekauff, of Corvallis, instructor in bacteriology, met death in an airplane accident in France.

BOARD OF HEALTH GIVES DATA ON FLU

Shows That Three Days After Big
Gathering There Is Always In-
crease of Sickness

The state board of health has sent the following information to county and city health officers:

A careful analysis of all data obtainable in regard to the present epidemic shows the following striking features, from which most valuable deductions can be drawn in considering control measures:

Three days after an unusual gathering of people there is an increase in the number of cases reported. Thus, every Tuesday is high because of Saturday and Sunday minglings; the 28th of December was high following Christmas; the 3rd and 4th of January were high following New Year's festivities. Therefore there should be no unnecessary or unusual gatherings. Of gatherings, dances constitute the greatest number of cases. Dances therefore should be prohibited during the epidemic.

The waves of the epidemic run in about three week intervals. A study of the causes of this and the matter of carriers, indicate that many cases remain carriers for a period of two or three weeks. The greatest number of severe cases during a wave are able to be up and around in about three weeks and are unconsciously spreading the disease causing the next wave. Therefore, in addition to the ten days quarantine, each recovered case should wear a mask for a period of two or three weeks in the presence of unexposed persons, and all persons coming in close contact with the sick should wear masks. Masks, to be effective, should be sufficiently large to completely cover the nose and mouth. They should have at least eight layers of gauze and should be sterilized after three hours use. Sterilizing is easily accomplished by dropping the mask in boiling water for ten minutes.

It has been discovered that the disease is being spread to a greater extent than has been realized by utensils used in eating and drinking. Therefore all dishes, cups, glasses, knives and forks, etc., used in eating or drinking in all public places.

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DESERT THEIR FARMS, OIL MAKES THEM RICH

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 24.—Some of the west Texas farmers who deserted their homes last summer in pitiful white lines of old prairie wagons are now going back in automobiles. Driven out by a three years drought, they are going back as oil men.

Stretches of land where the drought had virtually withered every leaf of vegetation and from which the disheartened farmers departed for the cotton fields and other more prosperous sections, are within the new oil district.

Some of the farmers who straggled, almost penniless, from the "barred zone" a few months ago can qualify as oil magnates, according to Vance Muse of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, who has just completed a tour of Ranger, Eastland, Cisco, Breckenridge, DeLeon, Moran, Gorman and other towns in the heart of the new oil district. He says the population in many counties, almost completely deserted last summer, has reached unprecedented figures.

Leases are being sold for a few acres at vastly larger sums than entire farms would have brought a year ago and enormous investments have been made.

NOT TAX STOCK DIVIDENDS

New York, Jan. 24.—United States Judge Julius M. Mayer decided in a test case today that stock dividends are not subject to federal income tax under the income tax law of 1916.

SEN. SHERMAN ATTACKS FOOD RELIEF BILL

SAYS HE BELIEVES PART OF
MONEY WILL BE USED TO
FEED THE BOLSHIEVICS

THINKS PRESIDENT TOO EASY

Despite the Senator's Criticism, Sen-
ate Passes the Bill and \$100,-
000,000 Is Appropriated

Washington, Jan. 24.—Attacking the \$100,000,000 European food relief bill, Senator Sherman, of Illinois, republican, declared that it was his belief that some of the money was to be used to feed the Russian Bolsheviks and added that the peace conference Russian policy supported his opinion.

Senator Sherman declared the president intends a great publicity campaign on his return, to work up sentiment for the immediate ratification of the peace treaty, including the recognition of the Bolshevik government.

The president's recent statement, when asking for the \$100,000,000 appropriation, that "the situation in Europe could be won by food but not by arms," is causing some of the senators to believe that he intends trying to form peace terms with the Bolsheviks and to secure their recognition at the peace congress.

In the face of Senator Sherman's attack, the senate passed the house bill for the relief of Europe and the near east, appropriating the \$100,000,000.

EVEN MILWAUKEE IS SHYING FROM GERMAN

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 24.—The teaching of the German language in Milwaukee grade schools may disappear entirely when the new semester begins in February. In only one school in the city now is German being taught and, under the resolution of the school board abolishing foreign language instruction, it would be discontinued at the end of the term in June.

In 1916, 200 teachers were employed to give instruction in the German language to 30,000 pupils and at the end of 1918, only one teacher was employed to instruct 400 pupils in the German language.

WILLAMETTE RIVER ON ANNUAL RAMPAGE

Portland, Ore., Jan. 24.—The Willamette river reached a 17 1/2 foot stage today. It is expected to go to 18, but not higher. There is little damage reported, but the paper mills at Oregon City are unable to operate.

HEAVY RAINS DAMAGE WASHINGTON BRIDGES

Yakima, Wash., Jan. 24.—The Naches river at flood washed out the Rattlesnake bridge, worth \$3,000, and the waters threaten the Carmack bridge, worth \$30,000. The highway at Horseshoe Bend is said to have been wiped out.