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## JAPS AND REDS STAGE BATTLE IN THE EAST

**BOLSHEVIK FORCE OF 3,000  
KILL TWO JAP OFFICERS  
AND 18 MEN**

## ALLIES WIN FIGHT IN SOUTH

**Greeks, French and Roumanians Get  
Best of Reds, Killing Many and  
Taking Much Booty**

Vladivostok, Feb. 26.—In an engagement between the Japanese and Bolshevik forces, 20 miles east of Blagovieshtchensk, capital of Amur province, the Japanese lost two officers, 18 men killed and 20 wounded. The Bolshevik force was estimated at 3,000 men.

Athens, Feb. 26.—Greek troops, with detachments of French and Roumanians, have advanced north of Odessa, pursuing Bolshevik forces along the Dniester river. They took the fort and town of Tiraspol on the right bank of Dniester, 53 miles from Odessa.

The retreating Bolsheviks abandoned many dead and wounded and left their guns and munitions in the hands of the allies.

## DISCHARGED SOLDIERS MAY NOW KEEP THEIR UNIFORMS

Washington, Feb. 26.—The house has adopted the conference report on the bill permitting soldiers, sailors and marines to retain their uniforms when discharged and allowing them five cents a mile for traveling expenses home. The measure now goes to the president.

## TWO DANGEROUS SPOTS ON ROAD ELIMINATED

Roseburg, Feb. 26.—According to the superintendent of the road construction of the new cutoff on the Pacific highway south of this city, about nine miles of the new road will be ready for travel this season. This new road has its beginning near Winston, and goes south along the banks of the South Umpqua river to near Dillard where the road crosses the river and then re-crosses about three miles further on, and continues to Myrtle Creek, completely eliminating Roberts mountain.

This is one of the finest pieces of road improvement in the county, as Roberts mountain has been a great menace to tourist travel, and the many accidents, some fatal, that have occurred on this hill make this a dreaded section of the highway. It will entirely eliminate all the grade, and the road will be in readiness for travel as soon as the season opens. Other improvements are being made in Cow Creek canyon, Canyon Creek canyon, and near the town of Glendale. A new bridge will be built over Cow Creek about three miles from Glendale and the new cutoff will take what is known as the old Stage Coach road, which will eliminate another bad hill. This, with other improvements now under way, will make Douglas county roads as good as any in the state, where it has been in the past a country-wide saying that "Douglas county has the worst roads in the state" and probably in the west.

Pass Creek canyon and Roberts mountain are the two great menaces to travel. With both these eliminated and many other grades reduced, as well as about 15 railroad crossings eliminated, this county will be fairly safe to travel through. This, however, is some task as the county is 126 miles in length, and road construction, of the right kind, is hard to get.

## BLAMES EDITORS FOR BOSHEVISM

**Senator Thomas Says Patent Factor  
in Unrest in America Is Foreign  
Language Newspapers**

Washington, Feb. 26.—The senate has ordered the committee investigating German propaganda to turn its attention to Bolshevism and the causes for un-Americanism in the United States. Some of the senators declare outright that the press is the direct cause of the state of increasing unrest.

Senator Kellogg, of Minnesota, read from a St. Louis newspaper an appeal made by Lenin, the Russian Bolshevik leader, to American workers to overthrow the government with flame and sword. "There is a propaganda on foot to do this very thing," he said.

"And the name of the organization back of it is the I. W. W.," observed Senator Thomas of Colorado.

"A patent factor in the unrest is the foreign language newspapers. There are thousands of them in the United States, and I am sorry to say most of them are un-American and may of them are anti-American. They have conducted a pro-kaiser propaganda."

Mr. Steiner said that some of these papers were subsidized by the steamship companies, and that President Piltzner of the Transatlantic Trust company had requested the Hungarian government to buy some of them.

"There is another thing," he said. "These foreign language papers believe that if the immigrant would be Americanized, would learn English, sooner or later he would read the American papers, they would lose their subscribers and probably also their advertising."

## SEATTLE STRIKERS WILLING TO QUIT

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 26.—Forty thousand striking shipyard workers will vote on a referendum proposing to call off the strikes in Seattle, Tacoma, Aberdeen and Anacortes, which began January 21, if assurances are given the strikers that the conference to adjust wage demands and other differences, scheduled to be held in Washington, D. C., not later than March 17, is transferred to the Pacific coast.

## PROTEST AGAINST USING GREEK LABOR

W. J. Dyson, a prominent resident of Glendale, arrived here Monday for the purpose of meeting the county court in regard to the employment of a number of Greeks on the Stage Coach Pass cutoff project, a new strip of the Pacific highway now being worked about three miles above Glendale and which, when completed, will leave the southern Oregon town off the highway route. It is understood that a part of the grading contract has been sub-let to foreign labor and Glendale citizens are opposed to this practice and have petitioned the county officials to take what action they deem necessary to bring about the dismissal of the Greeks. The county court, it was learned, will take up the matter with the proper authorities in an effort to comply with the wishes of the Glendale people.—Roseburg Review.

## TONS OF BOOKS FOR AMERICAN SOLDIERS

With the American Army of Occupation, Feb. 26.—Fifty thousand books, consisting of works of history, science, reference, fiction and others, have been brought into the occupied zone recently for the American soldiers holding the Coblenz bridgehead and the area on the left bank of the Rhine.

## NAVY PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE SENATE

**REPUBLICAN MEMBERS WILL  
OPPOSE PROVISION GIVING  
PRESIDENT MORE POWER**

## WILSON WANTS TO RUSH BILLS

**Appropriations, Oil Leases and Water  
Power Up for Consideration.  
Campbell Named Ambassador**

Washington, Feb. 26.—The senate naval committee has ordered the naval appropriation bill, with its new three-year building program favorably reported. Republican members will oppose the provision empowering the president to suspend the program at his discretion. This provision was intended for use if developments toward disarmament in the peace conference made it desirable.

The president intended to go to the capitol today to discuss the legislative situation with senators. He wants to expedite the passage of several great appropriation bills, oil leasing and water power bills, and provisions continuing federal employment service. Republican opposition to his program has already been announced by Senators Lodge, Penrose and others.

Washington, Feb. 26.—President Wilson has nominated Hugh Campbell Wallace, of Tacoma, Wash., for American ambassador to France.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The house today passed the Victory Liberty loan bill.

## 18 ARMY DIVISIONS TO SAIL BEFORE JULY 1

Washington, Feb. 26.—Announcement by General Pershing's chief of staff that 18 national guard and national army divisions were scheduled to sail from France before July 1, confirms reports current here that the expeditionary forces were to be reduced to a total strength of 300,000 by the end of the fiscal year.

The announcement from France indicates that in addition to the seven regular divisions now in France and into which presumably men desiring to remain temporarily are being transferred, the American forces after July will include the 29th national guard and the 78th and 81st national army divisions. This would give a nine division strength for the combatant forces and allow one division for employment as a depot unit.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Another epidemic of influenza has broken out in Barcelona, Spain, and is spreading to as great an extent as that of last fall, according to advices received today by the state department.

## MANY MINERS DRAWING PRINCELY SALARIES

Greensburg, Pa., Feb. 26.—The highest scale of wages ever paid in Westmoreland county was in force in 1918, the miner's average daily pay being about \$6, an increase of nearly \$2 over 1917. The average yearly earnings of miners for 1918 was \$1,800, in some instances this sum reaching \$3,000. While \$150 was the monthly average, many miners drew as high as \$400.

## SPARTACANS AND PEASANTS FIGHT IN BADEN

**ONCE BEATEN INTO SUBMISSION,  
SPARTACANS REORGANIZE  
THEIR FORCES**

## SAXON GOV'T IS THREATENED

**Radical Socialists Join Spartacans in  
Endeavor to Overthrow Those  
Who Are in Power**

Copenhagen, Feb. 26.—A fresh revolt has broken out at Mannheim, and Spartacans have occupied the postoffice, telegraph office and railway station.

Berlin, Feb. 26.—Spartacans and radical socialists have launched a movement to overthrow the existing government in Saxony, where the newly elected diet was to assemble today. A general strike has been proclaimed and railway communication with Halle, one of the principal junction points in Saxony, has been broken.

The Spartacans are reported to have taken possession of Plauen and other industrial centers.

Berlin, Feb. 26.—Dispatches from Mannheim report that a peasant revolt is breaking out in the various districts in Baden as the result of friction between the workmen's council and the peasants.

## A WISE JUDGE

New York, Feb. 26.—"Take her outside, if she must go to the bank," instructed Magistrate Koenig when Paula Pollock started to draw on her personal account for money to pay her fine for disorderly conduct.

## ELECTRICITY TAUGHT TO DISABLED SOLDIERS

Washington, Feb. 26.—Electricity in all its branches is proving immensely attractive to the disabled soldiers, sailors and marines who are taking the free trade and professional education placed at their disposal by the United States government, through the federal board for vocational education. Men who had a smattering of electrical information before the war are now given the opportunity to perfect themselves and become really skilled in the particular branches which they have chosen. This training embraces both practical and theoretical work, such as may be obtained in the Massachusetts, Institute of Technology, Case School of Applied Science, Georgia Tech, Alabama A & M, with practical training with the General Electric company, and other concerns and in plants of some of the great power companies.

Men taking the courses are, if unmarried, supported by an allowance of \$65 per month from the federal board; more is given if the man has dependents. There is no set time in which a course must be finished. The sole criterion is the ability of the man to carry on under commercial conditions. If it is a wage earning branch of the trade he is qualifying for, a position is ready for him when he is ready for it, the placement division of the federal board having arranged for the employment. The federal board for vocational education, whose address is Washington, D. C., is anxious to hear from any war disabled soldiers who are interested in this free training provided by the government, not as a charity, but as a matter of justice to disabled men who have been impaired in the nation's service.

## WOULD TURN JAPS AGAINST THE U.S.

**Russian Newspapers, Backed by Certain  
Russian Faction, Trying to  
Stir Up Big Fuss**

Vladivostok, Monday, Feb. 24.—Attacks by certain newspapers on the attitude of the American troops in Eastern Siberia with the evident purpose of attempting to arouse Russian sentiment against the Americans and to create discord between the Americans and the Japanese have been answered by Colonel Henry D. Styer, of the American army. The attacks were based on the fact that the Americans had given protection at Khabarovsk to 1,500 Cossacks who had mutinied against General Kalmikoff.

An alleged wireless dispatch from Japan, reproduced in the Vestnik, says that only the presence of the Japanese troops at Khabarovsk prevented part of the American troops joining the mutineers. The Daily Vostok, the organ of General Kalmikoff, declares that the American soldiers took part in the plans. Colonel Styer said:

"At the request of our allies, we make the following official explanation:

"The American troops have no intention of defending or sheltering political parties or groups whether they are called Bolshevik or other names. The Americans recently disarmed the Cossack deserters for the sole purpose of avoiding bloodshed and disorders. We are keeping them under guard while the allied military council at Vladivostok decides what is to be done with them. The American troops are always ready to act conjointly with the commander of the allied force in the defense of safety."

## LEGISLATURE MAY ADJOURN THIS EVENING

Salem, Ore., Feb. 26.—The bill for military training in the high schools and colleges was killed in the house. The governor will appoint a commission, headed by O. C. Leiter, to welcome the returning Oregon soldiers in New York. The legislature is expected to adjourn sometime tonight, after a 45-day session.

## PRINTERS AT TACOMA COME TO THEIR SENSES

Tacoma, Feb. 26.—Typographical Union No. 170 registered its disapproval of the manner in which the Central Labor Council called the so-called general strike several weeks ago by voting Sunday to withdraw from affiliation with the council. It further indicated its disapproval of the character of the articles and editorials appearing in the Labor Advocate by voting to withdraw its subscription from the paper.

The Typographical union is the second to withdraw from affiliation with the council since the general strike fiasco, the Railway Clerks having taken similar action. The typographical workers are said to resent being called "unfair" while employed in plants thoroughly unionized because they refused to join in a strike they believed illegal and that was not sanctioned by their international officers.

## ENGLAND'S DEMOBILIZATION

London, Feb. 26.—Industries on which all business depends, such as coal mining, are the first to get their men back from the army. Pivotal men in all essential industries will be the next to be demobilized, followed by the men who have definite jobs waiting for them proved by agreements with their employers. As exception to this rule, all men over 41 will be demobilized at once and also men who have been in hospitals more than one month.

## COMMUNISTS PAID BIG SUM BY RUSSIANS

**MANY ARE ARRESTED CHARGED  
WITH REBELLION AGAINST  
HUNGARY**

## HUNS PROTEST DEPORTATION

**Wants Her Citizens to Remain in  
China, Which Country Will De-  
port Over 2,500**

Basel, Feb. 26.—Seventy-six communists have been arrested on charges of rebellion against the Hungarian republic at Budapest, it is reported here. During the examination they admitted that money to set up an anti-republican government came from Russia and that during the past month expenses amounted to 300,000 crowns, but they refused to reveal where the funds are being kept.

Paris, Feb. 26.—German armistice delegates at Spa have protested against the deportation of all Germans from China, which country sent two shiploads to Australia in January and is preparing to send the others to Germany direct. About 2,500 Germans, half of them women and children, are involved.

## INCOME TAX SLOGANS TO STIR TAXPAYERS

Washington, Feb. 26.—Slogans coined by the internal revenue bureau to stimulate early and full payment of income taxes reflect the changed conditions in which the taxpayer finds himself now that victory has been won and hostilities have ceased. The powers of autocracy have been defeated but the monetary cost of the success still is to be met, largely by the taxes to be paid this year.

"Army of Occupation" sounds good but it needs your support," says one of the slogans. Then it asks, "Have you paid your income tax?"

Another classes an income tax receipt with a gold service stripe. Those who celebrated victory most loudly are reminded that "tooting a horn on armistice day did not end your part in winning a peace with victory. Paying your income tax makes more real noise than tooting a horn."

Persons who may be inclined to grumble at the increased rate of taxation are given food for thought in the following:

"If you think your income tax is a hardship, picture what you would have been up against had William Hohenzollern won the collectorship job."

Other slogans include: "You stand up for the national anthem. Now stand up and pay your income tax."

"There were no delinquents at Chateau Thierry. Are you delaying the payment of your income tax?"

"Don't try to fool your conscience by cheering the returning soldiers and forgetting to pay your income tax. An income tax evader hasn't much on any of the other pro-Germans."

"If you didn't serve over there you can serve over here by paying your income tax."

"When the boys come home they will ask what YOU have done. Show them your income tax receipt."

"When you pay your income tax you get a receipt from Uncle Sam. What would have William Hohenzollern handed you?"

"Uncle Sam still has a big job ahead of him. Help him by paying your income tax now."