

U.S. FLAG HAULED DOWN IN BERLIN

Raised by Gen. Harries to Protect Allied Officials at Hotel Adlon

RIOTERS WILD AT SIGHT OF FLAG

Scores of Persons Killed in Riots; Machineguns on Autos Are Used

BERLIN, Jan. 8.—By United Press.—Eiters forced General Harries to haul down the American flag which was flying over the Adlon Hotel to protect allied officials yesterday.

Shooting in front of the hotel caused the allied officials to seek refuge within. They suggested that Harries, head of the American mission, hoist the American flag as a measure of protection.

When the Stars and Stripes were flown, the crowd went wild and threatened to storm the hotel unless the flag was lowered. This was finally done. Scores of persons were killed Monday in rioting which resulted in a collision between rival processions of Spartacus and government demonstrators. Motor cars armed with machineguns and manned by sailors, raced through the streets, shooting wildly. Explosives were heard throughout the city.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Authorities here regarded as injudicious the raising of the American flag at Berlin by General Harrison at this time.

Local Board Can't Assist Anxious Parents

According to orders received today from the war department, local boards may no longer prepare affidavits or otherwise attempt to assist parents in their efforts to obtain a discharge of their boys from the army or navy. Each case must take its regular course through the war department and discharges will only be granted upon recommendation of the commanding officer and such action will not be taken in any event upon civilian recommendations.

County Clerk Russell has also been notified that every questionnaire must be stamped with the code number for Linn county, which means that all records must be taken out and gone over before they are filed away for safekeeping. This will require some 17,500 impressions, which will greatly increase the work of the board during the next week or ten days.

BUTTE BLACKSMITH WEDS ONE OF THE FOUR HUNDRED

BUTTE, Jan. 8.—The news has been received here that John L. Younger, a blacksmith of this city, has taken unto himself a wife—Miss Elizabeth Caldwell Rowland, a recent debutante, a member of one of the oldest families in Philadelphia, a girl who has been unusually popular in Pennsylvania's wealthiest and most exclusive social set.

Private Younger, who served in the signal corps in France, was sent home because of wounds which he received in the Yank attack at St. Mihiel. He met his future wife at an Eastern dance. His cavalryman tactics, she later explained, won her heart, and they were married December 9.

The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Rowland, were not advised of the marriage until recently. Because they were unimpressed by the Westerner's ways, as was their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Younger are still living in a one-room apartment in a remote section. The former associates of the erstwhile belle don't know her now.

But what does she care? She says: "What's a dukedom, or a crown, or anything else, compared to two service stripes and one wounded stripe? He comes from a race of kings, and if papa will not relent, I'll go out to his mountains with him."

And if she does, Butte, Montana's society will show Philadelphia's elite how a hero's bride should be treated!

Red Cross Notice—The East Albany auxiliary of the Red Cross will hold no more meetings until further notice, on account of lack of material.

MILDRED MORSE SUCCUMBS TO ILLNESS

Well Known Albany School Girl Died Last Night from Pneumonia

Mildred Morse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morse of 539 East First street, passed away at her home at 11 o'clock last night as a result of pneumonia, following an attack of Spanish influenza.

The deceased was a pupil of the Albany public schools and has a large circle of friends among the young people of Albany. She was born in New York some 16 years ago and moved to Albany with her mother in 1914. The funeral arrangements had not been made up to the hour of going to press.

CAPT. SCOTT HART RETURNS WITH BRIDE

Son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hart Home on Leave After Service in France

Captain Scott Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hart, is out only home but he brings with him a bride. The young couple arrived last night after being married in Boise, Idaho, some two days ago.

The bride was Miss Theresa Kent of LaVerne, North Dakota. Captain Hart entered the officers' reserve training camp soon after war was declared, and was transferred to France several months ago. After seeing service abroad he was promoted to the rank of captain and sent home to instruct officers in the field artillery corps and has been on this duty at the Atlantic for some time. He is home on leave but expects soon to receive his honorable discharge.

A. C. Schmitt Gives School Cost Data

To the Editor of the Democrat: In my article the other evening I made the statement that the city could well afford to reimburse the owners of the local theatres rather than to allow them to run open when the public schools are closed. It might be of interest to the people of Albany to know what it costs this community to operate its public school system.

The attendance in our public schools is something over 1100; the number of teachers regularly employed is 41, and janitors four. The outlay for operating and maintaining our public schools last year was \$63,448.62 which, when divided by nine, the number of school months in the year, would make the cost of operating our public schools per month approximately \$7,050; and dividing that by 21, the number of school days in a month, would show that the cost per day of operating our public schools is about \$335.

Without question, the public schools of our community are one of the largest and most important activities that we maintain, and come right along with our churches, our public library, and our city affairs. While the schools are closed now, the expense of operating and maintaining the schools does not stop on just the same, as the teachers and janitors have to be paid just the same, and the buildings must be heated from time to time. Besides this loss financially, there is even a greater loss which results to the individuals and to the community, and to the state and nation as a whole, because of the lack of training on the part of the boys and girls that are now in school. We must remember that the same opportunities never return; new ones may present themselves, but the old ones are gone for good.

The clerk of the board states that he has paid out up to the present time for operating and maintaining the schools for this year \$22,143.12. Owing to the various interruptions in our school work, practically nothing has been accomplished this year. This is a matter of very serious concern to our entire community, and every effort should be made to bring conditions about when our public schools can be reopened and maintained without interruption.

ALFRED C. SCHMITT.

U. S. Ambassador to Italy Will Resign

PARIS, Jan. 8.—Thomas Nelson Page, American ambassador to Italy, tired out by the strain of war, will retire within a short time, it is reported in political circles here.

FORMER PRESIDENT IS LAID TO REST

Warships Fire Salute in Honor of Late Col. Roosevelt; Flags at Halfmast

HUNDREDS ATTEND SIMPLE FUNERAL

Service Lasts Just 18 Minutes; Many in Crowd Weep

OYSTER BAY, Dec. 8.—By U. P.—Theodore Roosevelt is buried, resting on the crest of the steep hill above Long Island—a spot selected by himself.

The pallbearers bore his flag-draped coffin on their shoulders up the hillside, their feet slipping and sliding in the icy mud, and he was consigned to earth with simple Episcopalian ritual.

Vice President Marshall, representing the President; Mayor Hylan, of New York; Governor Smith of New York, a congressional committee and other notables were at the graveside.

Ex-President Taft was deeply affected, and wept as the casket sank slowly into the last resting place of all that is mortal of Theodore Roosevelt.

OYSTER BAY, Jan. 8.—U. P.—Hundreds of men and women, representing a nation in mourning, gathered here to pay a last tribute to Theodore Roosevelt. Trains were much delayed by the snowstorm, but early brought a throng. Some of them were invited, but most were not, and were content to stand outside Christ Church or in the road during the services at the cemetery, to show their respect.

Mrs. Roosevelt, who has borne up bravely since her husband's sudden death, did not leave the house after the brief memorial there. The funeral procession from the house to the church was composed of 15 automobiles.

Yuletide decorations, giving rise to thoughts of the holidays and of good cheer, were still in the church.

Services at the church lasted just 18 minutes. Many in the crowd were weeping when the casket was brought forth. The highway from the church to the cemetery was lined with automobiles and old-fashioned wagons, belonging to people who had come from New York and the small towns of Long Island. The crowd became denser near the cemetery. All points of vantage were thronged.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—All naval stations, fortifications and vessels acting singly, had their flags at half mast and boomed a salute at hour intervals today in honor of Theodore Roosevelt.

Bloodpoisoning Prevents Trip Overseas

Back from New York after service with the army for several months, Vern Dinwiddie of Linn county is in none too cheerful a state of mind because he missed going abroad by a few hours on account of an attack of bloodpoisoning which sent him to the hospital before his ship sailed. He was in a serious condition and was once reported as dead to his company commander but recovered and was assigned to coast guard duty instead of going to France.

McLennon Funeral to Be Held Tomorrow

The remains of the late Mrs. Kenneth McLennon will arrive in Albany tonight from Portland and will be taken from the Fortmiller chapel at 11:30 tomorrow morning for Riverside Cemetery, where short services will be held.

Meeting Postponed

The meeting of the W. B. A. O. F. M. of the Macabees, which was scheduled to be held Thursday night, has been postponed.

FRENCH GIRL TELLS OF LOVE FOR U. S. A

Writes to Albany Young Women About Part America Played in War.

The following letter has been received by Miss Reba Revier from a 20-year-old French girl who obtained her name from one of the American soldier boys in France:

3 Rue Jehan de Meung, Meung-Sur-Loire, Loiret, France, 6th of December.

Dear Miss Reba: I think you have not received the first letter I have sent you on September, so I write again this one. Your cousin, Mr. Giebellet, gave me your address and asked me to write you. He said you'll be very glad to have a French correspondent. As for me, I should like to have an American friend.

You must know that all the French people are very fond of United States. Now we know well your brave soldiers, since more than a year we have appreciated them, and by them we love all the American people who have made so much for France in every manner. Without your help and Army we should not have yet the victory and the filthy Germans would not be beaten out of France.

Before the war we did not know so much your great country but now I feel France and United States are good friends and I expect they will be united in Peace as much as in War for triumph of Right.

My father is a French soldier since the beginning of the war, but now I expect he will soon come back because he is among the eldest soldiers (46 years old). I also have an uncle and many cousins in the war; two of them died.

I live in Meung Sur Loire, a little town of 3,000 inhabitants on the side of our greatest river, "The Loire." My family is composed of my father, mother, a brother 15 1/2 years old and my mother's parents, who live alone in their little house at five minutes of ours. My brother is away from home two months ago. He is to a hair-dresser learning the business. My father was a cleaner and dyer before the war. Since his departure my grandfather replaces him at the manufactory but he is very old (75) and he is tired now. Well the war is very hard for everybody and we were very happy when we have learned that the Armistice was signed. Now we must wait for the Peace. We hope it will be signed on next spring.

Now I think I must tell you about myself. I am 20 years old till the last July. I was a boarder in the "Lycee Jeanne d'Arc" in Orleans. Now my studies are finished. I have passed my "Brevet Supérieur" and I can be a school-teacher if I like.

I have learnt English at school and I like it very much. So I try to perfect my English, and I write and talk English as often as possible. I have a girl correspondent in England, another in New Zealand, and I should like very much to have one in United States. Please tell me if you will correspond with me. I also have an American correspondent in the Ex. Army. He is a friend of your cousin and was introduced to me by Mr. James during last holidays. He learns French, so I help him to learn and I correct his mistakes, and I write to him in English. The last Sunday he came home with a friend of him and also Mr. Jim, who came to a friend of mine. We have had a very nice day and the boys were very happy. I think it is a duty for French people to make a good reception to the American soldiers who are so far from their families.

Now we have winter in France and we have not yet had very cold days; only much rain—today the weather is fine! I expect it'll continue to be so. What sort of weather do you have in your country? I believe you have cold time in winter.

I must close now. Hoping to have an answer soon, I send you my kind regards. I remain, yours truly, L. GENET.

Expert Druggist to Be at Calavan's—Mr. Lamberty, an expert druggist from Springfield, will arrive in Albany this evening to take charge of the East End Drugstore on Main street during the illness of V. L. Calavan.

Bodino Sends Walnuts—W. A. Bodino is in receipt of a letter from D. P. Markey, supreme commander of the Macabees lodge, thanking him for some fine walnuts that he shipped to him. Markey says they are the best he has ever tasted.

FIRST PEACE MEET IS DUE TOMORROW

Representatives of Allied Nations Gather for First Round at Conference

RUSSIAN SITUATION HARD NUT TO CRACK

Trotsky Proclaimed Dictator and Arrests Old Partner and Friend, Lenin

PARIS, Jan. 8.—By United Press.—American, British, Italian and French statesmen will hold their first joint meeting tomorrow, it is officially announced.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 8.—Leon Trotsky, Bolshevik minister, has been proclaimed dictator and has arrested Nicolai Lenine on the charge of forming a coalition with the Mensheviks (radical minority), according to a Moscow dispatch.

ALBANY BOY IN FRONT LINE TRENCHES

Was Chasing the Germans When Armistice Was Signed.

The following letter was received by H. H. Eastman from his son, Glenn, who is serving with the American troops in France:

Somewhere in France, Nov. 24, 1918. Dear Father: Today is Father's Day and the boys are all writing to their fathers, so I thought I would try and write. I expect you folks think I am lost, strayed or stolen. I haven't written for so long; but I haven't had time, have been hiking for the last week or two.

You folks have heard the good news by this time. It sure was good news. I was up in the front line when the guns stopped firing and we have been moving back ever since. I sure am glad that the war is over. It won't be very long now before I will be going home. Don't know when we will go. Did think maybe I would be home by Christmas but guess I won't.

Well, I expect you have the fall crop in before now. I expect maybe you are plowing now. I don't think I would like to farm the way they do here. Everything seems to be so old and far behind time. Plow with oxen and some horses. They string three horses out—all three walk in the furrow—one old man driving and one holding the plow.

Well, I have been through two drives and know something of what war is now. It is worse than I thought it was. We boys who got through sure ought to be thankful. I saw lots of our boys fall. I was in the Arrone drive for 21 days and in the last one 14 days. I haven't been sick but have been troubled a lot with my feet. I guess I wrote before that my arches broke down when I first came to this country and on these drives and hikes they have gone from bad to worse.

We have hiked about 50 miles this last week and my feet are so lame I can hardly step on them. Have only got about three more miles yet and then we take the train for somewhere. I think we go to Paris but don't know for sure. We are stopping in a grove here, sleeping in German dugouts. Will be here until Tuesday. We have been here for two days now. It is nice weather here now: cold, but the sun shines and it doesn't rain or snow. It is colder here than it is in Oregon.

Well, I hope it isn't long before I come marching home. I'll probably come hobbling, but I will get there just the same. I don't know what my address will be but by the time you get this I will be on my way home. Hoping you folks are all well and that I will soon be home, as ever, Your loving sons,

GLENN. Co. D, 305th Inf., A. E. F., France.

In a letter written on Thanksgiving Day he states that he was sent to a field hospital on account of his arches breaking down. He says the night before Thanksgiving was the first time he had slept in a bed for three months and the first time he had slept

LINN COUNTY MAKES SPLENDID SHOWING

More than \$800 More Raised in Red Cross Drive Than Required

The following report on the result of the Red Cross membership drive is given out by C. H. Borgegraf, manager for Linn county:

Total cash collected \$7,345.05 Expenses for postage, telephone and express 12.96

NET \$7,332.09

Sum raised in Christmas drive, 1917 \$6,756.50 Quota this year, 1918 6,500.00

Linn county is almost \$800 over the quota, the only county in Western Oregon to go over. Albany membership 1917 .. \$1,443.00 Albany membership 1918 .. \$1,443.00

Not over one dozen pikers and slackers are reported in the entire county. The committee in charge was as follows: W. G. Ballack, chairman of committee; G. H. Young, county chairman of Red Cross; Chas. Borgegraf, county manager; H. B. Cusick, secretary and cashier; D. O. Woodworth, speakers' committee; C. H. Stewart, publicity committee; B. J. Miller.

ROAD FOREMEN ARE APPOINTED BY COURT

Many New Names Appear on List of Successful Applicants for County Jobs

The new county court today completed the work of selecting new road foremen who will perform the same work as the road supervisors under the old system. The new state law makes the office of road supervisor but each county court is authorized to hire such help as is required to perform these duties and they will hereafter be known as patrolmen.

The list as approved by the court is as follows:

Hired Patrolmen in Road Districts of Linn County

J. D. Isom—1, 10, 26.
M. S. Coon—2.
W. Poland—3.
Dave Isom—4.
George S. Jones—23, 24.
Ed Nixon—5.
B. E. Grimes—6.
W. M. Sawyer—7.
Link Kirk—8.
Orvis Wilson—9.
John Maxwell—11, 12.
Herbert Reidy—13.
Will Hiron—14.
R. Shelton—15.
W. A. Gilkey—16.
Cola Gaines—17.
W. A. Bartley—18.
Ernest Hall—19, 20.
Mark Moss—21.
John Reinhardt—22.
Nick Endries—25.
Ed Trank—27.
Neal Letton—28.
A. A. McKinzie—30.
W. E. Widchick—31.
Francis Kiser—32.
P. J. Wilson
Perry Parker—34.
S. M. Bassett—35.

New Standing Committees Are Named by Mayor

The following members of the new city council have been named as members of the various standing committees for the next two years:

Ways and means—D. S. Holloway, J. H. Ralston and Virgil L. Calavan. Ordinances—R. A. B. Veal, E. L. Wieder and Owen Beam. Fire and Water—Owen Beam, E. L. Wieder and R. A. B. Veal. Health and Police—E. L. Wieder, D. S. Holloway and Virgil L. Calavan. Accounts and Current Expenses—J. H. Ralston, D. S. Holloway, R. A. B. Veal. Streets and Public Property—Owen Beam, J. H. Ralston, Virgil L. Calavan. Printing and Supplies—D. S. Holloway, E. L. Wieder, J. H. Ralston. Licenses—Virgil L. Calavan, E. L. Wieder and J. H. Ralston.

with his clothes off for over two months.

In another letter, written on Dec. 10, he says he is in L'Hotel Cosmopolite, Contrexeville, France, which is used as a base hospital. While there he heard that his company was going to start for home in a few days and he was unable to accompany them. He expected to be there about two more weeks and then thought perhaps he would start for home.

BIG FORCE IS ENROUTE TO BERLIN

One Division with Artillery and Machineguns Moving Under Ebert's Orders

SPARTACANS SPURN TRUCE OFFER, REPORT

Proposal That Warring Factions Arbitrate Fails to Enthuse Radicals

BASEL, Jan. 8.—By U. P.—An entire division with artillery and machineguns is marching on Berlin and Potsdam to combat the Spartacan revolt, according to advices from German sources reaching here.

GENEVA, Jan. 8.—The Spartacans seized the Reichsbank in Berlin, it is reported. The Reichsbank is the German national bank.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 8.—The Spartacans spurned the government's proposal to arbitrate upon the condition that they disarm all their followers except the soldiers and evacuate all public buildings and surrender Police President Elchorn, Berlin dispatches today reported.

The revolt has spread to Mannheim. Several hundred were killed in Monday's fighting, dispatches said.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—A truce is believed to have been declared between the warring forces in Berlin, the Spartacines accepting all of Chancellor Ebert's conditions. This is asserted by a Berne, Switzerland, dispatch.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—Ten thousand firearms were distributed among the Spartacans in Berlin yesterday, according to a Basle dispatch.

DISPUTE OVER TWINS CAUSES DOMESTIC ROW

Mrs. Henry Berckeimer Sues for Divorce; Cruel Treatment Is Claimed

Because her husband is alleged to have asserted that he was not the father of one of the twin children born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berckeimer, the wife now brings suit for divorce and asks for the custody of the four minor children.

In her complaint Mrs. Berckeimer asserts that they were married in Kiel, Wis., in 1899 and that four children were born as a result of the marriage. She claims that the defendant has been guilty of cruel and inhuman treatment in that he called her vile names and that the children have been taught to use profanity as a result of the use of such language in the home. Cruelty to a horse and other specific acts of violence are also included in the complaint which was filed last night by L. L. Swan.

Richard B. Lyons Is Called by Death

After an illness of a week—influenza followed by pneumonia—R. C. Lyons died last night at 11:20 o'clock at his home. He was born October 21, 1881, at Lyons, and has lived there and in Albany most of his life.

This was the second death this week to occur at that home, Mrs. Raleigh Harold having passed away there yesterday.

Mr. Lyons is survived by his wife, mother, four brothers, three sisters and three children, Bernard, Bernardine and Coline.

The funeral will be held in Lyons tomorrow afternoon.

Commissioner Clark Would Clip Wilson's Wings

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—U. P.—Congress should take away President Wilson's power to surrender the railroads to their owners without notice, Commissioner Clark of the interstate commerce commission declared today at the senate railroad committee hearing.