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BRITISH WON TO WILSON'S PROGRAM

Britain Will Back America in Her Views in Settlement of Russian Problem

PRESIDENT WANTS CIVILIANS IN CHARGE

Food Supplies to Be Taken From Military Management; Ships Problem

 MANCHESTER, Jan. 15.—"It can be safely assumed that the British won't conform with France's attitude regarding Russia, largely as a result of American guidance," the Manchester Guardian declared.

By Robert J. Beder, United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS, Jan. 15.—President Wilson is determined, so far as possible, that civilian representatives shall control the machinery for feeding Germany. But if the Germans fail to agree to the proposition advanced by civilians, then Marshal Foch shall dictate terms to them.

The allied commissioners are now enroute to meet the German delegation and take up with them the proposal to turn over the German merchant ships to the allies for transportation of food.

When this question came up at the conference of associated powers, the President maintained that best results could be obtained by putting the execution of the plan into the hands of civilians instead of military officials. He obtained sufficient support, especially from Britain, to carry the point.

One of the principal Wilson objectives now is to get the soldiers back home. The President hopes to obtain German acquiescence to the allied proposals so that German ships may relieve the transportation burden which is so heavily felt at present.

FIGHTING RESUMED IN BERLIN TODAY

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 15.—U. P.—Fighting has resumed in Berlin. German dispatches say.

Washington Legislature to Aid Soldiers

OLYMPIA, Jan. 15.—By U. P.—A bill introduced in the legislature here today would give every soldier and sailor from the state of Washington \$10 for every month of war service.

Labor Asks for Government Censorship

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—U. P.—Government censorship of all public utilities was demanded by the American Federation of Labor in its program of reconstruction measures filed with the senate labor committee this afternoon.

Here on Business—

T. M. Tabbot of the forestry office of Portland is transacting business here.

NEW CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE—A good McCormick binder in good running order. \$56. Inquire of Otis Monroe, Conser station, Saturday, Sunday or Monday. 15117

FOR SALE—A 50-gallon cooking kettle. \$45. Call J. E. Derry, Bell phone 5213. 15117 1/2

FOR SALE—A few choice silver duck wing leghorn chickens \$1.25 each to introduce the cocker. Herma Koenig, R. 1, Albany. Bell phone 17218. 15121

WANTED TO RENT—A modern unfurnished bungalow with couple with no children. Inquire at Democrat office. 15147

65TH ARTILLERY IS NOW READY TO SAIL

25 Albany Boys Will Sail for U. S. With Famous Artillery Regiment

The following item from the Eugene Register will be of interest to relatives of boys in the 65th artillery:

The 65th artillery, consisting mostly of Oregon men, including 25 from Albany, is now at Brest, France, awaiting the arrival of a transport to bring it across the Atlantic, according to a cablegram received yesterday by Mrs. William Moll Case, wife of the pastor of the Central Presbyterian church, who is now in France as a chaplain. The report that the regiment had sailed sometime ago and would land at San Francisco, coming by way of the Panama canal, has proved to be erroneous.

Mrs. Case, upon receipt of the cablegram, called up as many of the relatives of the Eugene men in the 65th as possible. The regiment will probably be brought to the coast immediately upon its arrival in the United States, and either be mustered out at Fort Stevens or Camp Lewis.

Spartacans Talk With Ebert

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 15.—U. P.—"Peace negotiations" have been begun between the Spartacans and German government, according to Berlin dispatches. An armistice was arranged Friday whereby neither faction would resume fighting without 12 hours' notice.

Mrs. Langele Is Called by Death

Myrtle Christine Langele, wife of H. Langele who resides about eight miles northwest of Albany, passed away last night at 6 o'clock following an attack of pneumonia.

In addition to her husband the deceased leaves a mother and sister, both of Portland.

The funeral was held at Riverside cemetery this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. W. P. White of Albany conducted the services.

SHEDD NEWS NOTES

SHEDD, Jan. 15.—Special—That flu cases are getting better in this community is being reported today.

The school has been closed since Jan. 7th because of the flu and so far it is not known when they will open again.

Mrs. Cassie Margason of Marshfield is visiting her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Mark McClane, arriving here Dec. 24. She expects to return home soon.

Alva Croft, Miss Mina Arnold, Mrs. Robert Arnold, Mrs. J. W. Sprenger, Mrs. M. P. McClane, Mrs. Cassie Margason and little son, C. C. Arnold and others were Albany visitors Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Ethel McCormick took the noon train north Monday to Timber, to visit her husband, who is depot operator.

Everyone here is glad to see "the rain."

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Farwell have a new grandson, their son, Charlie Farwell and wife, have a seven-pound boy born Thursday at McMinnville, Ore.

The people of Shedd had to huddle their old lamps and lanterns last night as the electric lights failed to come on.

The churches were closed last Sunday because of the flu.

The Oddfellows and Rebecca lodges have postponed their joint installation until a later date because of the influenza.

The Oddfellows had a big rousing meeting last Saturday evening, receiving three new members into the order, who are Lyman Pennol, Martin Peterson and Willie Sylvester. After the business meeting, the members all enjoyed a good clam soup supper.

A large number of Shedd people attended the funeral of Geo. Frum, who was buried at Sand Ridge cemetery last week.

Mr. Van Winkle, pastor of the M. E. church, is also postmaster now in Shedd, starting the bill Monday morning. He flirts the bill well.

The roads are quite soft since the freeze.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Shoults and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shoults and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Haverland are reported quite ill with the flu. They live in the Fayetteville community.

Gov. Porter and family are moving to Albany, where they will make their home in the future. Mr. Porter has rented his farm to Harry Sprenger.

PACIFIC COAST TROOPS ARRIVE

Cruiser Brings Back Men from Oregon, Washington Idaho and Montana

TWENTY CASES OF 'FLU' ON BOARD

All of Men on St. Louis Were Trained at Camp Lewis Several Months Ago

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—U. P.—The cruiser St. Louis with 1300 men from Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho and Montana, belonging to the 346th field artillery, arrived in port today.

They were loaded down with trophies from the French battlefields.

Twenty cases of influenza developed during the voyage. Of the 1300, 200 were sick or wounded. All had been trained at Camp Lewis and sailed for France July 13th.

The armistice was signed as they were on the eve of going into battle.

Local Dealers Report Real Estate Activity

Local dealers report an unusual movement in real estate during the month. Several deals have been made during the past few days in Albany property and there are some new people in this city looking for farm land. The scarcity of houses for rent purposes is still acute and only the erection of a considerable number of modern homes this spring will relieve the situation.

There are many families at the present time in the hotels and rooming houses waiting their opportunity to obtain a lease on a modern home.

CITY NEWS

Visiting Eastbourns—

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Newton of Aberdeen, Wash., are here visiting at the home of Mrs. Newton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Eastbourn.

Fortmillers Home—

Dr. and Mrs. Ertle Fortmiller arrived home this morning from Brewerton where Dr. Fortmiller has been stationed the past year in the medical department of the navy.

Scio Man Here—

A. C. Rahn of Scio is transacting business here today.

Miss Levy Returns—

Miss Elizabeth Levy, the violinist of Salem who comes to Albany each week to hear her classes at the Albany college, was in Albany again yesterday after an absence of several weeks.

Miss Levy has been sick with the influenza but is now fully recovered and will be in Albany again as usual.

Returned to San Francisco—

Mr. and Mrs. Don McGlashan returned to San Francisco this noon after a week's visit in Albany at the home of Mrs. McGlashan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Morris. Mr. and Mrs. McGlashan were called to Albany by the serious illness of Ralph Morris with pneumonia but he is now rapidly recovering and will soon be out again.

Mr. McGlashan has been stationed at the government printing office at Camp Fremont for the past year but he expects to receive his discharge in about a month and will then return to Albany to live.

Deleate to Ohio—

L. E. Warford expects to receive his discharge from the service today at Camp Lewis and he will leave immediately for Akron, Ohio, as a delegate to an advertising conference at the factory of the Goodrich Rubber company. He goes as a representative of the Goodrich Rubber company of Seattle.

1ST NATIONAL BANK ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Report to Stockholders Contains Much Interesting Data on Year's Work

Meeting yesterday afternoon, the stockholders of the First National and First Savings banks elected the following officers and directors for the ensuing year:

President, S. E. Young; vice-president, A. C. Schmitt; cashier, J. C. Irvine; first assistant cashier, Ralph McKechnie; second assistant cashier, Hiram Torbet; third assistant cashier, Gus Abraham; fourth assistant cashier, John Bryant. Exchange teller, Ed Barrett. Directors, S. E. Young, Dr. J. P. Wallace, W. H. Goltra, P. A. Goodwin, W. A. Barrett, M. Senders and A. C. Schmitt.

The report to the stockholders was as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen: Herewith we submit to you a brief annual statement which marks the 48th annual meeting of the First National bank and the tenth annual meeting of the First Savings bank. In many respects the past year has been one of unusual significance, both locally and nationally.

The outstanding event of the past year is undoubtedly the cessation of hostilities achieved through victory on the part of the allies. The great problem confronting us now is how to return to our ordinary pre-war avocations with the least loss financially and the least disturbance in our industrial and agricultural pursuits. Victory came sooner than was expected. It came at a time when our war activities were assuming their greatest momentum. Consequently, when the armistice was signed, there was more or less of a jolt in business enterprises. Governmental restrictions are being gradually released. The readjustment of general business from a war to a peace basis is making headway with comparatively little friction.

While the war has cost this country a large sum of money, yet we believe that we are stronger now financially than we were when we entered the war, and we believe that we will soon see unprecedented business activity and development along all lines. During the time of the war there has been a rapid expansion of credit, and considerable liquidation and contraction must necessarily follow.

During the past year we have seen the highest prices paid for skilled and unskilled labor that have ever been paid in this country. Wheat sold for over \$2 per bushel on the local market, and other farm products sold in proportion. Hogs brought as high as 20 cents, and butter sold for as much as 75c per pound. Seemingly everything went up in price during this year period except the local interest rate and securities in general. Government 4's have been as low as \$94.50.

In both banking institutions we have had a successful year. The business of both banks was more or less hampered by the exceedingly large sums of money that were drawn out and put into Liberty Loan Bonds and War Savings stamps, yet the earnings of both institutions have been very satisfactory, and both have more than held their own. The First National bank has been enabled to continue to render helpful service to the community and to the business interests of this section, through its fine equipment and connections. This last year the First Savings bank paid to its depositors on account of earned interest on savings accounts the sum of \$22,582.86; and since its organization in 1909; the First Savings bank has paid to the depositors on savings accounts earned interest in the amount of \$134,776.10.

Since our last annual meeting, the banks were able to dispose of some of their heavy real estate holdings, among which was the Gestlaty ranch, which was exchanged for the Froman ranch; and in turn we disposed of the Froman ranch; also the residence property in Portland was disposed of; and some of our Linnhaven holdings have been disposed of.

The general crop conditions in this vicinity during the past year were far below normal, possibly the poorest that they have been in the history of Oregon. The fruit and berry crops were exceptionally good, and this community was greatly benefited by the activities of the Linn and Benton Fruit association, under the management of W. H. Paulhanus of Puyallup, Washington, which association was brought into existence largely through the efforts of our institutions.

A good deal of time was given by both institutions to war activities during the past year. Our customers

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GERMANS DEMAND KAISER'S TRIAL

Commission Recommends He Be Tried for Part in Bringing War

PRISONERS TO REBUILD WRECKED BUILDINGS

200,000 German Soldiers to Rebuild Devastated Regions of France

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SEN. THOMAS CALLS SMITH A "LIAR"

Short and Ugly Word Used in Debate in the United States Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—U. P.—Declaring that A. J. Smith of Los Angeles is a "liar and blackmailer," Sen. Thomas of Colorado defended the patriotism of I. N. Stevens and Alva Swain, attacked by Smith yesterday before the German propaganda congressional probbers.

Smith formerly owned the Pueblo (Colo.) Chieftain, of which Swain was editor.

Gates Pioneer Answers the Last Call

John E. Schroeder, pioneer of the Gates neighborhood, passed away at his home near that place yesterday afternoon following a long illness. He died as a result of cancer and was 68 years of age.

He leaves three children, Herbert and Gladys of Gates, and Robert, who is now serving with the American army in France.

Hoskins Farm Loan Association Elects

At a meeting of the board of directors and stockholders of the Hoskins National Farm Loan association held in Corvallis yesterday the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

A. B. Huld Jr., president, Hoskins, Ore.; M. L. Frantz, vice-president, Hoskins; L. D. Fry, director, T. V. Mason, director; Frank L. Price, director; John W. Motley, director, all of Hoskins; A. C. Bohnstedt, secretary-treasurer, Salem.

The authorized capital was increased from \$10,000 to \$50,000.

Funeral of Nina Propst Tomorrow Afternoon

The funeral of the late Nina Propst who died in Portland on January 13th will be held tomorrow at Central cemetery at 1 o'clock. The body will arrive in Albany tomorrow morning.

Quarantine on Eleven Houses Lifted Today

There were only two new cases of "flu" reported today and the quarantine on 11 homes was lifted, according to information given out this afternoon by Chief of Police John Catlin. If the health authorities make the same gain during the next week that they have during the past in stamping out the epidemic, Albany will soon be a "fluless" town.

NEW TIMES

Young Year of Promise, born so well,
What do the stars of the future tell?
What are the skies portending?
Why are our councillors filled with doubt,
Why do the people so madly shout?
What may the Fates be sending?

Clouds and darkness are 'round the moon,
Say, will the day be dawning soon?
Where will the sun be rising?
For East is West while the West is East,
And many a prophet and sage and priest
Hath muddled us with advising.

Have we seen the end of a world at strife,
Of the bloody business of taking life,
Or only the sad beginning?
Will war still compass the world with woe,
Or will the kings and kaisers go,
And the people have their inning?

Shall blood that flowed like the driving rain,
Be like other red tides, in vain,
Or is there an end of slaying?
The world is waiting now to hear,
The answer you'll give to these things,
Young Year.

Waiting, waiting and praying.

Nebraska People Here—

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Burke and family of Litchfield, Nebr., have arrived in Albany and expect to make their home here. While looking for a location they are stopping at the St. Francis hotel.

been a year of varied experiences for all of us, and we all have reason to feel proud that our institutions have been able to take such a prominent and active part in assisting our government in carrying through this war to a successful conclusion.

SECRETARY BAKER MAY GIVE UP POST

Pressure May Be Brought to Bear to Induce Secretary to Give Up the Idea

EXPECTED TO RESUME HIS LAW PRACTICE

Financial Reasons Responsible for Wish to Retire From the Cabinet

By Carl D. Groatt

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—There is a prospect that Secretary of War Newton D. Baker will retire from the Wilson cabinet, according to insistent rumors about Washington today.

If he does he will return to Cleveland and reestablish his law practice; his reason for resigning would be a financial one.

Some say that he may be persuaded to remain only if given the post of attorney general.

Secretary Baker has been under heavy pressure while holding his cabinet place. He not only did his bit in the Liberty Loan drives, but he borrowed money to buy more bonds with.

Writer Uses Desk of Hun Sub Chief

ABOARD UNDERSEA-CRUISER U-117, Harwich Harbor, Jan. 15.—The U-117, which in June, July and August cruised up and down the American Atlantic coast sinking sailing vessels, tugs, barges and coastwise passenger steamers, lies under a thin fog tonight in Harwich Harbor—reduced to a curiosity.

Just up the harbor floats a fleet of 89 other German U-boats, tied up in twos and threes.

Stripped of her crew and potentiality for frightfulness, the monster submarine is nestling alongside a sister diver, while English sailors search her for booby traps.

In her empty control room the butts of two periscopes—one for navigation and one for ranging—swing useless, with no one to look through them.

She returned last September to Kiel from a three months cruise in American waters with a record of 40,000 tons of shipping sent to the bottom.

From her mine racks in the rear to the torpedo tubes in the prow—through a grossy, queer-smelling jumble of steel rods and tubes, tiny steel-walled compartments joined by manhole doors, through the crews quarters, the officers' and captain's cabins, the control room, kitchen and engine and switchboard rooms—is close to 300 feet.

The only variation in the steel lining of the passageway is the captain's cabin, where I am writing this—a pretty den about eight feet square, with oak-paneled walls. Each panel is just room for a lounge, upholstered in beautiful leather, the captain's bed, a little oak desk, where he wrote his log, and a small oak armchair, with upholstered cushions.

The U-117 could shoot 28 torpedoes without returning to base. She had a mine-carrying capacity of 40 mines, and a four-inch gun on her deck.

She has three places of control—on top of the conning tower for surface travel, in the upper control room for semi-submerged or near the surface travel, and the lower control room for deep submerged sailing.

Here, squinting into the periscope, with one hand resting on the engine room telegraph beside him, the captain directed the action. Behind him, with his back to him, stood the pilot, at an iron steering wheel set perpendicularly in the wall.

Ten Killed in Boston Explosion

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—By U. P.—Ten were killed and 50 injured when a truckload of molasses casks exploded today at the plant of the Cuban Distilling company.

It is believed the huge casks, which were loaded on the truck and standing in the street, had fermented.