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JINGOISM GIVEN JOLT; NO PROBE FITNESS TO WAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—President Wilson announced today he was opposed to Representative Gardner's plan for investigating the preparedness of the United States for national defense because he thought it was an unwise way of handling "a question which might create very unfavorable international impressions."

Representative Gardner called on the president at the latter's request after Mr. Gardner's call the following statement was given out at the white house:

"The president told Representative Gardner that he was opposed to the method of inquiry proposed by Mr. Gardner because he thought it was an unwise way of handling a question which might create very unfavorable impressions. He stated to Mr. Gardner that he was entirely in favor of the fullest inquiry by the committees of congress and that there were no facts in the possession of the executive department which was not at the disposal of those committees."

During his call Mr. Gardner read the following two questions to the president:

"There are two ways of defeating my resolution. It can be defeated on a square vote and may vote, or it can be pigeon-holed in the committee on rules. Which course do you advise?"

"Will you authorize army and navy officers to testify before the rules committee on my invitation, either with or without restrictive instructions?"

When Mr. Gardner left the president he refused to say what answer had been given to his questions. White house officials said the formal statement given out would be the only comment on the call.

Mr. Gardner said he was not surprised at the president's position and would continue to argue for passage of his resolution.

Prior to Mr. Gardner's call, Chairman Tillman of the senate naval committee discussed national defenses with the president. Later he said he and the president agreed that the United States should have an adequate navy in accord with the declarations of the last democratic platform. He added that the naval experts would have to determine what an adequate navy was.

Cougar Craft

Ben Lampman in the Gold Hill News.
 You have heard the night wind waken till the cedar boughs are shaken, you have listened in the stillness for a sigh, watched the morning star upracing through a film of silver lacings—so have I! You have heard the black wolf clamor as the moonlight cast a glamor where the winded eight-point quarry turned to die—cursed with every snew hating the wild wolf pack and its baiting—so have I!

I am cousin to you, master; I am lord of sure disaster, I am Fear within the shadow breathing low—tawny fear with fierce eyes flashing as the living target, crashing, takes the blow! Not your rifles smites more surely than I pin the prey securely on the fern fronds of the covert where I wait—you and I are of a liking, unseen terrors swiftly striking—we are Fate!

You have heard the alder quiver in the starlight by the river, you have watched within the shadow for a flash—did your heart beat high and faster when you hunted me, my master—unafraid? I have purred your craft and cunning, sixty feet above you sunning, while you sought the moss and bracken for a sign—all your tricks and follies and daring watched I, idly and uncaring, from the pine.

I am Cougar of the ranges ward of all the forest change; I am Terror in the thicket lurking nigh—that the wood shall know its keeper, over fir and froud and crowsper, hear my cry! I am cousin to you, master; tawny feet that strikes disaster . . . Comes a footfall in the shadow, soft

English Fear of Invasion "Bosh"

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Major General Desmond O'Callaghan of the Royal Artillery has been investigating a number of alarmist reports which have had wide circulation in England, to the effect that German ordinance agents have for years past been preparing for the German invasion of England by secretly placing in factory foundations, tennis courts and residences, deep concrete foundations suitable for use with the heaviest German siege artillery. These concrete foundations, according to rumor, were always discovered in positions "commanding" London or Edinburgh, or Dublin. "All bosh," says General O'Callaghan, who is inclined to be a trifle annoyed at having to waste his time on "such nonsense." His report to the noble says in part:

"I have had the pleasure for the past few weeks of assisting Scotland Yard in the inspection of concrete platforms, and ascertaining their danger from a military point of view. Since the discovery of an alleged gun platform at Willesden, reports of similar preparations for the bombardment of London have been received from all quarters. To sum up my investigations, there is no reason to suppose that the floors or roofs of any factories or tennis courts, constitute in any way a danger to the public.

"Lawn tennis grounds in all directions have been reported and their tremendous solidity vouched for by

MINE BARON AND PROBE CHAIRMAN IN WORD CLASH

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 7.—J. F. Welborn, president of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company, clashed with Chairman Walsh of the federal relations committee today over the right claimed by the coal operator to withhold the name of the man who wrote "facts concerning the struggle in Colorado for industrial freedom."

Mr. Welborn, who had been called to resume his testimony in the coal miners' strike investigation, insisted upon assuming full responsibility for the pamphlet, and he had given his word that the author's identity would not be disclosed, and finally asked for time to consult counsel as to the right of the commission to force him to give the information demanded.

"The writer was engaged for the work on the promise that his name would not be used in connection with it," said Mr. Welborn. "My word is given upon it, and I think the writer has some rights in the matter."

"It was an open secret, in the district," replied Mr. Welborn.

The witness was asked concerning the statement in the report that a strike leader had stated that the strikers were preparing to attack the militia upon the withdrawal of the federal troops, and that four thousand men were ready to come in from another state. "What leader do you refer to?" asked Mr. Weinstein.

Mr. Welborn named William Diamond.

The witness said that if the strike should be called off today the strikers could not be employed because the mines are filled. He declared that the strike was lost four months ago. If the federal troops had been taken out and the militia sent in, he looked for a renewal of violence unless the disarming of the strikers was completed.

Justice Red With Shame

(From the New York World.)
 Henry Siegel induced 15,000 persons, most of them wage-earners, to deposit money in a private bank which he operated in connection with his department stores.

The total deposits aggregated \$2,550,323.65, and this money was used by Siegel and his partner Voge, in their private business. No security was provided for the depositors, and when Siegel's stores failed it was possible to salvage only \$182,500 of the depositors' money from the wreck, in addition to a paltry \$100,000 bond which a confiding state had exacted in the name of "security."

Siegel was indicted by a grand jury in New York county, but a change of venue was granted on the ground that public sentiment in this city was prejudiced against him. This is another way of saying that Siegel's offense was so mean and contemptible in pilfering the pockets of poor and helpless depositors that nobody could be found to excuse him.

A jury at Genesee has decided that Siegel's crime was not a felony but a misdemeanor, and a presumably just and upright judge has sentenced him to pay a fine of \$1000 and also go to jail for ten months, provided he is not able to restore a "substantial part" of the depositors' money before the second Monday in June. In the mean time Siegel is at large on sus-

GERMAN OWNED OIL SHIP LEGALLY TAKEN

LONDON, Dec. 7, 3 p. m.—The prize court settled an interesting legal point today by ruling that the entire cargo of oil of the British tank steamer Roumanian, which sailed on November 17 from Port Arthur, today for Hull, was subject to seizure because it was German-owned. This decision upset the contention of the defense that 4800 tons of oil which at the time of seizure had been discharged at Purfleet, England, was immune from confiscation.

GEORGIA DREYFUS LOSES FIGHT IN SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Leo M. Frank, accused of slaying Mary Phagan, a factory girl, was denied a rehearing by the supreme court.

Today's decision of the court ends attempts to save Frank's life by its intervention. Efforts will be made now, it was said, to procure a pardon or commutation of sentence from Georgia state officials.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 7.—Frank will be taken before the Fulton county superior court here next Wednesday for re-sentence to death for the murder of Mary Phagan, a 14-year-old factory girl. This announcement was made by Solicitor General Dorsey today after receipt of news from Washington that the supreme court had refused to grant a writ of error for retrial of Frank's case by that tribunal.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 5.—The Methodist Episcopal church will appropriate \$100,000 to carry forward the educational work of its temperance society in 1915, if the commission on finance follows the recommendation of Bishop W. O. Shepard, and the National Board of Managers, who met in annual conference in Lincoln today. Every pastor in Methodist will be called upon to request the management of newspapers and magazines entering his home to eliminate any liquor advertising carried. The meeting wired President Wilson, asking that liquor advertising be barred from the mails.

as breath. Who would with the cougar trifle? 'Tis the moonlight on a rifle! . . . Thou art Death!

MAJOR LEAGUES PLAN WAR UPON FEDERAL RIVALS

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—If advance statements on what should be done is indicative of what to expect, drastic action will be taken by the national commission, the National league and the International league here this week with regard to methods adopted by Federal league promoters and the jumping of players to the new organization.

Without exception, every club owner on his arrival here has had something to say concerning the Federals, and the Federals, not to be outdone, have let it be known that a club may be placed in New York City next season.

August Herrmann, chairman of the National commission, characterized the signing by Brooklyn Federals of Marquard as "a great mistake," adding, however, that it was the New York clubs loss and unless President Hennepstead demanded action it was no commission affair.

Herrmann also stated that his negotiations with Charles H. Weyghman, relative to the purchase of the Chicago Cubs and incidentally once between the old and the new baseball organizations, would be laid before the National Commission, which is expected to meet today. The National Commission chairman intimated that one of the defense measures to be adopted would be a rule to bar from organized baseball, players who are now, or may in the future, be identified with the Federal league.

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FRUIT SALES OF YEAR BEHIND BUT PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Fruit growers in the four northwest states to December 1 this season have received in cash from the North Pacific Fruit Distributors, \$1,122,111.36, according to a bulletin issued by the central office at Spokane this week. This money represents returns from fruit sales and has been disbursed to the sub-central associations for payment to members.

Regarding the season's volume of business, the bulletin says:

"The returns disbursed so far are for approximately two-fifths of the crop that will be handled by the North Pacific Fruit Distributors this year, but they include peaches and other soft fruits and the cheaper and earlier varieties of apples, necessarily comprising our least valuable tonnage.

"Substantially three-fifths of the crop is either sold and to be collected for or is yet to be marketed, and including as it does the later varieties of apples now being sold for higher prices on a rising market, it comprises our most valuable tonnage.

"Last season's total disbursements aggregated \$3,069,953.51. Notwithstanding adverse trade conditions, abnormal in their nature, with which we have had to contend up to the present time, it is believed that our total disbursements for 1914 will considerably exceed that figure."

FORESTRY MEN IN ANNUAL SESSION

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 7.—About seventy-five representatives of forest protective associations of the North-western Pacific states and British Columbia are attending the conference of western forestry and conservation in this city. A. W. Flewelling of Spokane is president. Various phases of forestry work, timber insurance and needed legislation will be embraced in the two days' session closing with a banquet in the commercial club Tuesday night.

SISTER COUNTRY COMES TO AID OF NEEDY BELGIUM

ROTTERDAM, Dec. 7, via London, 4:10 p. m.—At a meeting today of The Netherlands cabinet attended by Charge d'Affaires Langhorne and Captain T. E. Lueri of the Belgian relief commission, the government consented to loan and to deliver immediately ten thousand tons of wheat valued at \$1,000,000 to be used at once in Belgium at such points where the danger of starvation is most acute.

The commission has been faced with a desperate situation. It is impossible for sufficient food to come from America to prevent actual starvation in many places in Belgium. The action of Holland in loaning this wheat has brought from the American commission expressions of the deepest gratitude, particularly since it is recognized that Holland herself is in great need of grain, bread having been placed on a war basis throughout the country.

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