

BAKER RESIGNS FROM SHIPPING BOARD IN HUFF

Baltimore Member of Federal Body Resents Suggestion From President That Chairmanship Be Given to Pacific Coast Member, and Resignation Is Result.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The resignation of Bernard Baker of Baltimore as a member of the federal shipping board was officially announced today.

Secretary McAdoo, who had much to do with the passage of the shipping board law and the selection of the board, issued this statement:

"It is true that Bernard N. Baker has resigned from the shipping board and that the president has accepted his resignation. Mr. Baker resigned because I suggested to him that I thought it would be wise in the circumstances if he would consider giving the chairmanship to the Pacific coast."

Sent in Resignation.

"The president was in accord with this suggestion. Mr. Baker said he desired to think the matter over for the night. The next morning he sent his resignation.

"The selection of suitable men for the shipping board and the proper organization of the board has been a matter of great concern to the administration ever since the passage of the shipping bill. The suggestion about the chairmanship was made in a spirit of co-operation and with a desire to be helpful.

The board has the right under the law to select its own chairman, but there is no reason why a suggestion from the administration should not receive consideration. I have had a warm regard always for Mr. Baker, and I regret his hasty action."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Bernard N. Baker of Baltimore refused today either to resign or deny reports that he had resigned as a member of the federal shipping board. There was a wide belief in official circles, however, that the report was true. Reports of Mr. Baker's resignation have said it was due to differences over organization of the board. It has been said that William Denman of San Francisco, named for the six-year term, would be made chairman of the board.

William Denman of San Francisco and Theodore Brent of New Orleans, both members of the board, were in Washington today. John A. Donald of New York and John B. White of Kansas City will reach here Monday. The first meeting of the board, it is said, will be called by Mr. Denman on Tuesday.

SHERIFF TESTIFIES AGAINST SPANELL

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Jan. 27.—Sheriff Allen Walton of Brewster county, testifying this afternoon regarding a reply which he said was made to him in the Alpine, Texas, jail when he asked:

"My God, Harry, what have you done?" stated that Harry J. Spanell replied:

"I have killed Colonel Butler and my wife. I am ruined. I am ruined. They made me do it."

TROOPS START FROM MEXICO

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consisting of 100 soldiers, left for Casas Grandes overland to join the garrison there. From this source it was learned that the Villa troops met with no resistance at El Valle, but appeared outside the little valley town soon after the last American troops had left and occupied the plaza.

DEMING, N. M., Jan. 27.—Confirmation of the withdrawal of the American troops from Colonia Inglan was received here today from Columbus, N. M. No troops have yet reached the border there except the sick and incapacitated, who were being brought in on motor trucks today, according to reliable reports from Columbus.

550 Killed Bali Isle Earthquake

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Five hundred and fifty persons were killed in the earthquake on the island of Bali, according to an official report received at The Hague and transmitted by Reuter's Telegram company.

D. H. Miller, the Gold Hill merchant, was in Medford today Saturday.

LITTLE CHILDREN OF RICH HELP SPEND NEW BIG PROFITS OF PARENTS: PLAY IN REAL AUTOS



Children of the rich at play. In the auto, Hoagland Van Norden, son of O. H. Van Norden; on skates, left to right, Juan Hess, Lois McCall, Polly Sharpe and Francis Otley; on the racers, Miss Gertrude Peel, left, and George V. Coe, Jr.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Children of the rich are having a lively time in New York these days, taking advantage of the wave of prosperity by spending part of the profits of their millionaire parents for toys and sports.

The toys reflect the spendthrift and joyful spirit of New York. There is, for instance, the toy automobile—not the kind poorer children trundle along with their feet, but real motor autos, almost exact duplicates of the full-sized automobiles, with all modern equipment in miniature size. They run by gasoline.

ADAMSON DRAFTS BILL FOR RAILROAD MEDIATION BOARD

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—President Wilson is not expected to accept without some modification the proposal by the railroad brotherhood heads that a mixed commission of railroad employers and employees be created to investigate disputes as a substitute for the president's recommendation that strikes or lockouts be prohibited pending an investigation by a government body.

In a conference with the president today, Representative Adamson took the position that the commission proposed by the brotherhoods would be useless unless it included a representative of the public.

After his conference with the president, Representative Adamson began drafting a provision to create a government board for the sole duty of dealing with differences between railroad employers and employees, but it will not supplant legislation to prevent strikes or lockouts pending investigation.

DIED

RUMSEY—Burtie H. Rumsey, died January 25, at his residence, 10 North Quince street, aged 71 years, 3 months. Mr. Rumsey, who was a member of the G. A. R., had been a resident of Medford for the past 14 years. He leaves his widow and a son, H. R. Rumsey, of Durie, Montana. The funeral will be held at the Weeks & McGowan chapel, Sunday, Jan. 28, at 2:30. Rev. Hamilton officiating. Interment will be in J. O. O. F. cemetery, Medford.

KOYAMA

Saduma Koyama, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Koyama, died at their residence on South Central avenue, January 26. The funeral service will be held at the Weeks & McGowan chapel Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment will be in J. O. O. F. cemetery, Medford.

ROBINSON

William Robinson, a farmer of the Griffin creek district, died at the ranch home of Harry Winterhaider January 25, aged 71 years, 8 months. The funeral was held at Griffin creek cemetery Saturday afternoon, the ceremony being held at the Graveside in Griffin creek cemetery. So far as known, Mr. Robinson left no immediate relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Duman of Eagle Point were shooting in Medford Saturday.

UNIVERSITY COST LESS THAN SCHOOL

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 27.—That there has been no extravagance in the construction of buildings for the University of Oregon was the statement of Representative Miller of the university in his address before the members of the legislature visiting here today. Mr. Miller gave specific figures as to the cost of the various buildings on the campus and compared these with the costs of high school buildings in some of the Oregon cities.

Mr. Miller said in part:

"You will observe that the state of Oregon, through its legislature, during the past session, has appropriated for building purposes about the sum of \$20,500,000.

"All the money that has been used for building for the university during its existence does not equal the cost of Lincoln high school in the city of Portland, which was \$800,000," he said.

HYURTHUR HANSON WINS DOG RACE

GRAND FORKS, N. D., Jan. 27.—Hyurthur Hanson, hardly able because of illness, to force his way through the snow drifts and Gunnar Tomasson drove their dogs to win Grand Forks today at 10:10, leading by two minutes Mike Kelley's train. The three leaders in the Winnipeg-St. Paul race covered the 24 miles between Aakod, their starting place last night, and Grand Forks, in a little more than five and one-half hours. The remaining five competitors, who left Aakod early this morning, apparently had failed to gain on the leaders. Grand Forks is 160 miles south of Winnipeg, where the race started Wednesday at noon.

SEES MIGHTY DEFENSES AS MEANS TO PROVOKE WAR

MOOREHEAD, Minn., Jan. 27.—A mighty army and a vast navy are not guarantees of peace; they are provocations to war," declared J. Frank Hanly of Indiana, prohibition candidate for president at the last election in an address here tonight before 500 school teachers at the closing session of the annual convention of the Northwest Central Minnesota Educational association.

Advancing his ideal of the "patriotism of peace" Mr. Hanly asserted that "militarism and human freedom are incompatible absolutely and forever."

"A man who walks the streets arm in arm with his neighbor," Mr. Hanly said, "is less likely to quarrel than one who walks armed to the teeth, waiting to make use of his weapons."

FOOD SHORTAGE IN GERMANY IS GROWING ACUTE

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 27.—Socialist members of the municipal council of Neukoelln, Berlin's most important suburb, made a vigorous demand that some efforts be made to relieve the food shortage at a recent meeting of the council, according to a Berlin dispatch. The socialists criticized the system of rationing, especially in regard to potatoes, further reduction in the allotment of which is imminent. They complained also of the scarcity and poor quality of bread and the disappearance of fish from the markets, while piles of sea food, they said, were rotting in the ports.

The president of the council admitted that the allotment of food was insufficient and blamed the state organizations. He said that the municipality would soon be unable to continue the same kitchens if the state did not supply the necessary food-stuffs.

1000 GIRLS PERISH DRESDEN EXPLOSION

PARIS, Jan. 27.—The Dresden arsenal has been blown up and one thousand women and young girls killed, according to a letter from a German soldier, dated December 30.

The letter was written from Dresden and the writer said that all the windows within a radius of 12 miles were broken by the explosion. He added that the authorities were keeping the news secret and that no railroad tickets were being issued for Dresden, except for urgent reasons.

SEATTLE TO VOTE \$600,000 MARKET

SEATTLE, Jan. 27.—At a special meeting of the city council today a bill was introduced providing for the subscription of a \$600,000 bond for a municipal market and storage plant at the March election. It was said the bill is sure of passage at next Monday's regular meeting of the council and Mayor Gill has promised to support it.

GREEK KING DISSOLVES LEAGUES OF RESERVISTS

ATHENS, Jan. 25, (via London, Jan. 27). King Constantine tomorrow will make public a decree dissolving the leagues of reservists.

TAKE MANY YEARS FOR AMERICA TO MAKE MUNITIONS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Although the United States possesses a productive equipment in excess of that of any other two powers, it would take from five to thirty years to produce its own munitions for a great war as at present organized, Howard E. Coffin, member of the advisory committee of the National Defense council, today told the Congress of Constructive Patriotism.

"Congress has done almost nearly everything it is necessary for congress to do toward industrial preparedness," he said. "What remains to be done must be done by sheer hard work alone."

Mr. Coffin said the defense council created by congress to make the productive capacity of the nation ready, would shortly issue "the first text book on munition making ever printed." He described also some of the steps to be taken, including the placing of "minimum annual educational orders" for war munitions of all kinds with private plants listed to furnish certain things in war times. Beyond that, he said, was the enrollment of skilled labor to guard against enlistment of these men and disruption of the industries.

American manufacturers had found by bitter experience, he said, that it took from one to two years to convert their plants to produce foreign war orders; it would take nearly as long, he said, to again convert to turn out arms and ammunition.

"And about 60 per cent of our total manufacturing capacity would be turned to that work in time of war," he said.

GERMANS ENSLAVE 700,000 FRENCH

PARIS, Jan. 27.—Seven hundred thousand inhabitants of the invaded region north of France are engaged in forced labor for the Germans, according to M. Duhouville, mayor of the town of Corchay, who has just arrived from the occupied region at Evian. The mayor's estimate, he says, is based upon careful calculation, taking as a basis the numbers of inhabitants personally known by him as having been taken from the communes in his region. Three hundred out of the 800 inhabitants of the village of Esmerly-Hallon, he declares, have been obliged to serve the German occupying force, the recalcitrants being imprisoned or exiled to Germany. No distinctions are made as to age or sex in the choice of the forcibly enrolled laborers, M. Duhouville says.

Local and Personal

Nick Kline of the Griffin Creek district was in the city Friday afternoon on business.

D. A. Alton of Sacramento, Cal., is spending a few days in the city on business.

E. V. Benson is a Medford visitor for a few days from Corvallis.

John Crook of the Salmon Bar, Cal., district is spending the week in the city.

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GERMAN LINER SUNK BY BELGIANS RAISED

LONDON, Jan. 27.—A dispatch to the Daily News from Rotterdam says the Germans, after several failures, have succeeded in raising the North German-Lloyd liner Gneisenau which the Belgians sank, blocking Antwerp harbor, prior to their evacuation of the city in 1914. The correspondent adds that it is announced that the last hindrance to shipping entering the harbor has now been removed.

The steamer Gneisenau registered 8105 tons. She was built in 1902. This is the first information that the Gneisenau had been sunk.

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