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CROWDS TEAR DOWN BANNERS OF SUFFRAGISTS

Silent Picketers of White House Persist in Displaying Banners With Sentiments Deemed Treasonable to Crowd, Which Spends Day Smashing Banners—Police Always Late.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The persistence of suffrage sentinels at the White House, in hoisting banners bearing inscriptions interpreted as being "treasonable," culminated in an anti-suffrage demonstration here today when a crowd of nearly a thousand persons tore down the banners for a second time today.

Once earlier in the day, when the suffragists appeared with a banner bearing the same inscription as that torn down yesterday, a small crowd demolished it without much demonstration. Soon after noon, however, the sentinels reappeared with a new banner, stouter than the others which they expected the crowd would have more difficulty in destroying.

The crowd was good natured for the most part but determined in its work and did not attack the women who held the banners. Police were forced to clear the sidewalks in front of the white house several times but always managed to reach the scene of the attack on the banners just a moment too late.

Police Just Too Late. The crowd was not organized and showed no signs of interfering with the sentinels themselves until a woman, modestly dressed, who had been talking earnestly to one of the sentinels for several minutes, suddenly snatched one of the banners and ran into Pennsylvania avenue.

In a moment the crowd got into action and the sentinels were surrounded. One by one their flags of purple, white and gold, were taken from them and torn to shreds. One standard bearer, Miss Hazel Hunkins, game to the last, climbed upon the pedestal of one of the white house gates and raised her banner as high as she could over her head in an effort to save it. She lasted only a moment. A man took the pole from her hand, broke it over the iron gate and the flag of suffrage fell to the ground.

Other Gate Attacked. After the banners on the entrance had been torn away the police began to disperse the crowd, but one remembered the pickets at the other entrance and to the footing of scores of automobile horns in the crowded avenue, the crowd charged the banner bearers at the other gate. The work there was quickly done. One woman tore a silken strap from the suffrage colors on her hat and held it high on a pole. She was immediately surrounded by a guard of several other suffragists and efforts to take the colors away from her proved unavailing for several minutes. In the end, however, the banner met the fate of the others.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The suffragist sentinels brought another banner to the White House gates today and another crowd tore it down. Today's wrecking of the banner was one with more deliberation than was the case yesterday. The police did not interfere.

The inscription on the banner today was the same as on the one displayed yesterday, accusing President Wilson and Eliza Root of "deceiving Russia" in saying that the United States is a democracy and pleading with the Russian mission to demand the enfranchisement of women in the United States.

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KILLS WIFE, TWO SONS THEN COMMITS SUICIDE
NEW YORK, June 21.—Following a quarrel with his wife over money matters, Richard Barrett, a widely known athlete of Brooklyn, early today shot and killed his wife, his son, Kilton, aged 4; a baby boy, Donald, one and a half years old, and then committed suicide by slashing his throat with a razor and shooting himself in the head.

GOLDLARBPOSES AS SPOKESMAN OF SOCIALISTS

Russian Citizen at Stockholm Claims to Represent Hillquest and Berger, is Repudiated by Party Officials—Declares Socialist Party in America Strictly Neutral and International.

STOCKHOLM, June 21.—Dr. Max Goldfarb, one of the American socialists who have arrived here, declares in a report submitted to the Dutch-Scandinavian committee, that: "Altho the United States is already in the war, I can say that the position of the American socialist party as a whole is strictly neutral and thoroughly international." The report calls for the creation of a permanent socialist committee to work for a permanent peace. A second recommendation deals with the composition of the congress which will be called upon to settle the issues of the present struggle and demands a "congress of representatives of the nations and not of the governments."

Poses as Spokesman. Dr. Goldfarb continues: "The governments have forced upon the masses this terrible war. Let the masses force upon the governments such an international arrangement as would make a repetition of this carnage impossible."

Dr. Goldfarb told the committee that he spoke in the names of Morris Hillquist, Victor Berger and of the whole American socialist party, which he said, "is heart and soul with you and will gladly abide by your decisions, tending to save the world from the horrors of war."

Three delegates from the Italian minority socialist body, Labriola Raimondo, Lerdia and Cappa, the republican deputy, have arrived. Repudiated in America. Although Dr. Goldfarb, who is connected with the Forward of New York, described himself on his arrival at Stockholm as a representative of the American socialist party, socialist leaders in this country, state he has not been authorized to act on behalf of the party. Abraham Cahlan, editor of the Forward said yesterday Dr. Goldfarb was not an American but a Russian citizen.

CHICAGO, June 21.—At National socialist headquarters here today it was said that the socialist party of the United States never has taken any action authorizing Dr. Max Goldfarb to speak or act for it at Stockholm.

U-BOAT TURNS GUNS ON LIFE BOATS

PAGIS, June 21.—A German submarine that torpedoed a British steamer turned its guns on the lifeboats, the admiralty announced today. "One of our patrol boats of the Britany flotilla," the statement says, "picked up 50 men belonging to a submerged British steamer and drove off with its guns two submarines which were still close to the boats in which the British crew had taken refuge the night before. A patrol boat of the same flotilla saved 40 men from a British steamer. The submarine which torpedoed her turned its guns on the lifeboats, killing eight of the occupants."

SINN FEINERS AGAIN ATTACKING RESIDENCES

DUBLIN, June 21.—The Sinn Feiners, who have held several demonstrations since the release of the persons arrested at the time of the uprising last year, brought about further disorders today. Some 500 of them, carrying Sinn Fein flags, attacked residences of former soldiers over which Union Jacks were flying. Windows were smashed and police who came up were stoned. Eight men and five women were arrested.

FOOD CONTROL IDEA HYSTERIA SAYS SHERMAN

Illinois Senator Compares President to Man With St. Vitus Dance—Says Administration Has Not Even Horse Sense—Passed From Apathy to Hysteria, to Food Dictatorship.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The administration food control bill probably will pass the house Saturday but when it will go thru the senate is uncertain, altho the general belief at the capitol today was that its enactment would be accomplished within two or three weeks.

The bill may even be finally enacted by July, as urgently requested by President Chamberlain, according to Senator Chamberlain who is piloting the measure thru the senate.

Debate proceeded today in both branches of congress. In the house general debate rules, and the rule limiting speakers to five minute talks was in effect to continue until a final vote, is reached, probably late Saturday.

Moves for Vote on It. When the senate took up the food bill today no senators seemed ready to debate it, so Senator Chamberlain, in charge of the measure moved for a vote. Senator Sherman then led off in opposition to the bill charging that it is especially aimed at farmers. City dwellers and labor unions, he declared, are its point advocates.

"The senate and house will pass any thing that any labor union endorses and endeavors to thrust upon them, right or wrong," he said. Organized labor controls legislation in this administration and the last. It dictates to senators, while the farmers are unorganized."

Senator Sherman said he would vote for legislation to prohibit manufacture of foodstuffs into intoxicating beverages, but would vote against this bill unless its "blanket" powers are eliminated.

Lacks Horse Sense. Referring to the bill's provision to co-ordinate activities of production, Senator Sherman said: "That's what's the matter with the man with St. Vitus dance; he can't—that's what is the matter with this administration. It has slumbered for four or five years. "Why this administration reminds me of a balky horse—lazy, apathetic, indifferent and unsympathetic with murder unspeakable and outrage infinite. When it wakes up it is worse scared and doesn't have equine sense. We've now passed from apathy to hysteria, from individual liberty to food dictatorship."

ANARCHISTS INDICTED FOR DRAFT PLOT

NEW YORK, June 21.—Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman, called the two leading anarchists of this country, were indicted today by a federal grand jury here on charges of conspiring to induce young men not to register for the selective draft. They pleaded not guilty and were held in \$25,000 bail each.

CLOCK ALIBI PICTURE IN MOONEY TRIAL



This is the "clock alibi picture" upon which the defense relies largely for acquittal of Rena Mooney, now on trial.

It shows Rena and Tom Mooney on the roof of Mrs. Mooney's music studio a mile away from the preparedness day explosion just prior to the blast that killed ten persons and injured over 40 others, thus refuting the testimony of the prosecution's star witnesses.

Arrows point to the Mooneys and to the street clock which in enlargements for court records shows the time as 2 o'clock. The explosion occurred at 2:05.

RUSSIA STERNLY QUELLS RIOTING BY USE OF TROOPS

PETROGRAD, June 21.—Martial law has been proclaimed in Tomsk, Western Siberia, because of wholesale murders and robberies committed by criminals who had been granted amnesty and had joined the forces of the militant anarchists. More than 1500 of these pardoned criminals have been arrested with about 800 others. Twenty persons were killed and a number wounded. The arrests followed the exposure of a plot to plunder all of the banks and shops and assassinate the leaders of civic organizations. The 800 associates of criminals were dragged from the haunts of the latter. The casualties occurred when some resistance was offered to the arrests.

NEW YORK, June 21.—Eight persons were killed and many wounded in a clash between government troops and supporters of the newly formed republic of Kirsanov, in the province of Tambov, Russia, according to a cabinet dispatch received here today from Petrograd by the Jewish Daily Forward. The skirmish was caused by the refusal of the new republic to recognize the authority of the Petrograd government.

BILLINGS POSED AS NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHER

Witnesses Drawing Coil of Evidence Around Mrs. Mooney—Billings Scared Lest Witness Pick Up Suit Case—Mrs. Mooney With Billings Previous to Explosion of Bomb.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 21.—Three witnesses testified today in the trial of Mrs. Rena Mooney for murder resulting from a bomb explosion in a preparedness parade last July that they had seen a jitney bus near the scene of the explosion a few minutes before it occurred. A fourth witness said he saw a jitney a mile from the scene at a place previous witnesses swore they had seen Warren K. Billings and Thomas J. Mooney in company with Mrs. Mooney a short time prior to the blast.

Weeps on Stand. Miss Estelle Smith, one of the principal witnesses for the state, broke down and wept shortly after taking the stand. "Some women are making faces at me," Miss Smith sobbed.

After Miss Smith repeated substantially the same story she told at the trial of Billings, that she had seen him in a dental office where she was an attendant, about a mile from the scene of the explosion within an hour and a half of the time it occurred, O'Connor on cross examination attacked her character. The court sustained a motion to strike it from the record.

Billings, carrying a suitcase, came into the office between 12:15 and 12:30 p. m.," the witness said.

Billings Suit Case. "He represented himself as a 'Chronicle' reporter and said he wanted to take pictures from the roof. He obtained permission. A while later he came back into the office, looking ill and distressed. I remarked that he acted queer."

After many interruptions from attorneys Miss Smith said: "When I started to pick up Billings' suit case he said, 'My God, don't touch that.' "What, what is the matter?' I asked.

"I am afraid you will strain the lens in the camera." "After Billings started downstairs did the woman you say was Mrs. Mooney, say anything?" asked Attorney O'Connor.

"I heard her say, 'come on down, can't you see what you are doing.'"

ITALIAN STEAMERS SUNK BY U-BOATS

ROME, June 21.—Two Italian steamers and five sailing ships were torpedoed by submarines during the last week, according to the official weekly announcement made public today. Two other steamers were attacked but escaped. During the same period 606 ships with a total gross tonnage of 741,855, sailed.

PHOTO TAKEN NOT OFF THE BATTLEFIELD. PHOTO TAKEN SHOWING BRITISH TROOPS RETURNING FROM FRONT LINE TRENCHES.



Here are British troops in a moment of rest on the way back from the front line trenches on west front. A few of the soldiers have been wounded, but not seriously. They are on the stretchers. Some of the men are busy cleaning away the accumulated dirt of several days under fire. This is an official British photo and one of the best yet received from the front.

REGIMENT OF RUSSIAN GIRLS READY FOR WAR

"Command of Death" is Official Title of Woman's Army Raised by Twice Wounded Girl Officer—Leaves in Fortnight for Front—Most of Recruits From Educational Academies

PETROGRAD, June 21.—"The command of death," which is the official title of the woman's regiment raised by the twice wounded girl officer Vera Butchkaroff, will be reviewed today by Minister of War Kerensky. The regiment will have its first public parade on Sunday and will leave in a fortnight for the front, probably for the Minsk sector.

The Associated Press correspondent, who visited the barracks in Torgvaya street, found posted at the gate a little blue-eyed sentry in a soldier's khaki blouse, short breeches, green forage cap, ordinary woman's black stockings and neat shoes. The sentry was Marya Skrydloff, daughter of Admiral Skrydloff, former commander of the Baltic fleet, and minister of marine. Inside there were four large dormitories, the beds without bedding and strewn with heavy soldiers' overcoats. In the court yard 300 girls were at drill, mostly between 18 and 25 years of age, of good physique and many of them pretty. They wore their hair short or had their heads entirely shaved. They were drilling under the instruction of a male sergeant of the Volynsky regiment and marched to an exaggerated high step.

Commander Butchkaroff explained that most of the recruits were from the higher educational academies or secondary schools with a few peasants, factory girls and servants. Some married women were accepted but none who had children. The commander explained further:

"We apply the rigid system of discipline of the pre-revolutionary army, rejecting the new principle of the self-governed. Having no time to insure the girls gradually to the hardships we impose a spartan regime from the first. They sleep on beds without bed clothes, thus eliminating the weak. The smallest breach of discipline was punished by expulsion or disgrace.

"The ordinary soldier's food is furnished by the guards equipment corps. We rise at 4 and drill daily from 7 to 11 and again from 1 to 6. The girls carry the cavalry carbine, which is five pounds lighter than the regular army rifle. On our first parade I requested any girl whose motives were frivolous to step out. Only one did so, but later many who were unable to stand the privations left us.

Official Privation. "We are fully official and are already entered on the list of regiments. Uniforms and supplies are received from the ministry of war, to which we render account and present reports. Yesterday the commander of the Petrograd military district reviewed us and expressed his satisfaction. I am convinced that we will excel the male fighters."

Asked as to the attitude of the male army, Commander Butchkaroff said that only the Volynsky regiment, which led the Petrograd revolution, was really favorable. The regimental clerk is Madame Barbara Bukovskiloff, editor of the weekly Woman and Economy and author of some admirable stories. She said that Miss Kerensky intended to join the regiment, not as a soldier, but as a Sister of Mercy.

GERMAN PAPERS SUPPLY IS CUT

COPENHAGEN, June 21.—The German newspaper publishers, who are already bitterly complaining of the great reduction by the government of their white paper supply, are now faced with another serious cut in their allowance, ranging from 11 to 94 1/2 per cent and effective July 1. The big papers suffer the most, the publishers of books and magazines being allotted 70 per cent of the total consumption.