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HOUSE FIGHTING NEW CENSORSHIP POSTOFFICE ASKS

By GILSON GARDNER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 1.—A military censorship, with power to suppress newspapers, is again before congress. A paragraph in the "trading with the enemy" bill now in conference, it is claimed, would give the postmaster general power to suppress any publication voicing sentiment he disapproved.

The paragraph was sent to the conferees by the postoffice department solicitor and by them incorporated in the law. But when the conference report came to the house, Friday, September 21, it was objected to by half a dozen members and went over under the rules.

The new legislation proposes that, after any publication had been deprived of its second-class mailing privileges under a postoffice interpretation of the espionage act, it shall be unlawful to circulate the publication in any other fashion. The wording is:

"Or to transport, carry or otherwise publish or distribute any matter which is made non-mailable by the provisions of the act relating to espionage approved June 15, 1917."

Under the above act the postoffice department, thru Solicitor Lamm, has suppressed a dozen publications, including "Max Eastman's The Masses." The department holds up the papers as non-mailable and then withdraws the second-class mailing privilege on the ground that they are not mailed "regularly."

The proposed new legislation would make it unlawful to circulate publications under the postoffice department ban, either by freight, express or carrier. So, practically they would be closed up and confiscated.

As there is no appeal from the postmaster general's ruling, the courts could give no aid.

Objecting members of congress say such a censorship would be intolerable. Congress refused to pass a censor bill even when it safeguarded the freedom of criticism or expression, and provided ample appeals against arbitrary or bureaucratic rulings. These members say this amendment seeks surreptitiously to create a censorship more drastic and tyrannical than any hitherto proposed.

MORE ACTIVITY IN REAL ESTATE

J. R. Crews, of the Willamette valley, brother of Judge W. E. Crews, has purchased 22 acres formerly a part of the Helmsforth ranch in the Griffin creek district of H. J. Payne, the consideration being \$4500. Mr. Crews will remodel all the buildings and erect a modern country home for himself and family.

D. S. Simpson of Stacey, Montana, has purchased the J. W. Meyers home north of Central Point, consisting of about 5 acres, the price being \$3500. Mr. Meyers will leave soon for southern California where Mrs. Meyers now resides.

The McLeod ranch and store at McLeod bridge, 32 miles up Rogue river, has been purchased by J. T. Adams. Mr. Adams expects to build several summer cottages on the river, improve the place, and make of it a first-class resort.

Dr. T. G. Holme recently purchased H. W. Goodale's residence on the corner of West Tenth and Orange streets where he and his family will reside.

All the above sales were for cash, there being no trades in any of the deals.

STRICTLY PRACTICAL

WITHOUT desire to shine as a prophet, the Mail Tribune will venture the prediction that the "small band of sincere pacifists who, in the midst of war, place their devotion to peace above all else," will wear the same kind of halos with posterity that adorn their predecessors, the Tories of the revolutionary war and the copperheads of the civil war.

Those sobbers and slobbers of sickly sentimentality, who fondly imagine that by doing their mite to impede the progress of their country in its struggle for existence and rendering aid and comfort to the enemy, that they are "in advance of the times," and martyrs, "suffering in a world unprepared for their ideal," might as well wake up to the truth, that they will live as the unpatriotic always live in history—forgotten as individuals and rescued from oblivion only as a class slumped.

The sissy pacifist is not the creator of a new ideal or even of a new idea. His counterpart has existed since the dawn of recorded history. There have always been the anemic few who preached the abject surrender of all that was worth while rather than fight. There have always been advocates of compromise who purchased security by capitulation. The temporizers and procrastinators have been with us always—and always will be, as well as traitors—but they are not among the beacon lights of history.

Pacifists who dream of ranking in song and story with the prophets of regeneration have another guess coming. In the broad view of history they will be regarded merely as part and parcel of the German propaganda—whose efforts were utilized to aid autoeracy in its final struggle against democracy—conscious tools or unconscious dupes of an expiring feudalism in its death grapple with modernism.

A La Follette expelled from the senate for sedition and disloyalty might get consolation by picturing himself a Christ crucified in a holy cause—but no one else would suffer the hallucination. Pacifists in prison for treason doubtless comfort themselves with similar delusions concerning their own martyrdom by an uncouth and uncivilized world, but in the perspective of history they will occupy the insignificant space allotted to abortive plotters and seditious cranks.

CAMPAIGN FOR LIBERTY BONDS

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 1.—Oregon today set about its task of selling its \$16,500,000 share of the second issue of liberty loan bonds. Although the state's allotment is \$6,000,000 more than the sum called for last June, the officials in charge of the four weeks' drive predicted the state would probably oversubscribe again.

State headquarters were opened today in Portland and auxiliary headquarters in Medford and Baker. W. H. Gore, president of the Medford National bank, is in charge at Medford, and William Pollman, president of the Baker Loan & Trust company at Baker.

ANOTHER FIFTY MILLIONS LOANED GREAT BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—A further credit of \$50,000,000 to Great Britain was extended today by the government. This brings the total advanced to Great Britain thus far up to \$1,240,000,000 and the total advanced to all the allies up to \$2,516,400,000.

DOES AMERICA KNOW

(Ruth Wright Kaufman, special correspondent of The Vigilante, sends the following appeal from Paris.)

That there is a war going on in Europe?

That the wastage on the British front alone is 2000 men a day?

That a present of 100,000 airships to the allies will do no good unless the engines are of the sort that can be used at the front?

That when America sends men to France, the men must be fed and clothed and given guns?

That the maintenance of an army at the front is the maintenance of a city as big as Chicago suddenly dumped in the middle of a desert?

That England has had to build her own docks in northern France to receive her transports?

That it's like offering a live elephant to a baby to offer to France American troops without maintenance?

That "it is easy to reckon how much tonnage is necessary to transport an army from America to the European continent and how much tonnage is required to feed such an army; that France and England are scarcely able to feed and supply their own armies without influencing their military and economic situation still more and that the submarine warfare is accomplishing all, and more than all, that was expected of it?" (Michaelis in the Reichstag.)

That every day there are fewer men living in that thin human wall which divides Germany from New York?

That there really are such things as shells and bombs and poisonous gas and liquid flame, and that when these things strike you, they hurt?

That either:

It's up to America to strain every nerve of every individual and finish this war properly.

Or:

It's up to every workingman in the United States to hand over so much per week out of his wage for the rest of his natural existence into Germany's pocketbook, and pay for this war properly.

Must war put its iron fingers on the throat of each small town of the United States before America rubs its eyes and yawns and tries—too late—to jump out of bed?

WOMEN OF ESSEN RIOT AGAINST WAR

LONDON, Oct. 1.—A demonstration against the German government on Saturday at Essen, home of the Krupp Works, in consequence of the decision of Chancellor Michaelis not to state Germany's peace terms, is reported in an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam. Women formed a majority of the demonstrators, says the dispatch, breaking windows of the town hall and shouting demands for more food, for peace and for the return of their men folk. The police and military were called out to quell the riot. Two women were injured and several were arrested. The whole of Essen is reported to be in a state of ferment.

FRANK GOODING FUEL ADMINISTRATOR IDAHO

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—Frank R. Gooding of Gooding, Ia., was named today state fuel administrator for Idaho.

The food administration today appointed C. C. Anderson of Boise as a state merchant representative to assist the state food administrator in dealing with retail food prices.

WATERLAND GREAT AID TRANSPORTING TROOPS TO FRANCE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—Kaiser Wilhelm himself has contributed Uncle Sam's greatest aid in transporting armies to France.

Thanks to the kaiser's orders to the German shipping companies, Uncle Sam has today one ship which can transport half a division, or over 10,000 men, with all their equipment. The ship was designed primarily for that purpose. The giant Vaterland, outwardly a floating passenger palace, when stripped of her ornaments, is the world's greatest troop transport.

As if the submarine were foreseen, the Vaterland is equipped to withstand submarine attack, better than any ship afloat. Gun platforms for a whole flock of rapid firers were cunningly built into her. Her speed enables her to run away. Thru a system of watertight compartments she is practically unsinkable. If struck squarely by two or three torpedoes she would remain afloat.

As Uncle Sam's engineers have proceeded to remodel the Vaterland since the American flag was hoisted over her, they have been running into surprise after surprise. They have found their work already done for the most part.

The suitability of the Vaterland for transport purposes have heightened the suspicion that she was built especially to carry a little army for a surprise attack on a distant coast—the United States or Brazil, in all probability—if things had gone as the kaiser planned and our turn had come.

The highest military experts in Germany were consulted in the building of the Vaterland. And now their pet weapon is turned against themselves.

The Vaterland can cross the Atlantic in less than a week. She could take 20,000 men per month to Europe.

The troops sailing on the Vaterland can drill every day. On her giant after-deck a whole regiment can deploy.

No troops have ever sailed the seas in the solid comfort enjoyed by the boys who go "over there" in the Vaterland.

Thank you, Bill!

LOGAN MINE WINS HOMESTEAD CONTEST

A decision of considerable importance was handed down by the local land office officials this morning when Receiver R. R. Turner and Register W. H. Canon ruled favorably to the plaintiff in the contest case of James T. Logan vs. Emil Kroil, which was heard in this city during several days last June.

The decision of the local officials is to the effect that the claims advanced by the Logan mining interests are entirely warranted, according to the testimony and the evidence submitted and that Mr. Kroil, who had homesteaded the property in dispute, will have to vacate in favor of the former. Mr. Logan, who was here during the trial as well as a dozen or more men from the Wald mining district in Curry county, where the land is located, contended that the land was a part of a series of claims, whose mineral value was well known and the homesteaded land had once been prospected and contained pay dirt in the estimation of all mining men. Mr. Kroil denied that the land was suitable for mining and held that its chief value was for agricultural pursuits. Several expert mining men were here at the time and offered testimony on both sides.—Rosenburg Review.

45 OUT OF 166 I. W. W. CHIEFS JAILED

CHICAGO, Oct. 1.—Federal authorities announced today that 45 of the 15 members of the Industrial Workers of the World, named in indictments returned last Friday by a Federal grand jury, are under arrest in various parts of the country.

When all of the arrests have been made, the work of transferring the defendants to Chicago for trial on charges of seditious conspiracy against the government will begin.

BELL-ANS Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

CENSORSHIP FOR FOREIGN MAIL IS NEED OF NATION

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—President Wilson and Postmaster General Burleson now have under consideration a mail censorship plan whose object will be to eliminate chances of information being slipped out of this country to Germany and her allies.

Uncle Sam is the only belligerent in the world who exercises absolutely no censorship on mail matter.

There is a censorship on cables. The only order on mail up to date has been one forbidding the attempted mailing of matter to Germany and her allies. Aside from that, we have been relying upon the vigilance of our allies.

This has worked very well up to a certain point. But it has not closed all the chances for a leak.

The greatest censorship bureau in the world is the British. Not only have vast stores of useful information been obtained by censoring letters, but immense numbers of tips to Germany have thereby been killed.

Practically all mail from this country to the six neutrals of Europe is censored by the British and French.

Mail for Asia is censored by the British and Japanese.

The British and French censor all mail for Africa.

But there are ships that ply directly between Havana and Spain and between South American ports and Spain. The chances for a leak into Germany via Spain are therefore many.

Obviously the job for Uncle Sam is to exercise a scrutiny of all mail going to Cuba and the South American continent.

Cuba will readily help us, having come into the war because we came in. The South American matter will have to be handled in a different way if it is to be effective. It will mean a real censorship on all mail matter for those countries.

The censorship will have to be exercised here at home, because we can't expect neutral countries in South America to do the job for us.

PRINCESS OF REDS ARRESTED IN DENVER

NEW YORK, Oct. 1.—The first step in the government's fight to extradite the four eastern leaders of the Industrial Workers of the World for trial in Chicago in the alleged nationwide conspiracy against the government was taken here today when Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, known as "Princess of the Reds," Carlo Trecca, Arturo Giovannitti and John Bal-dazza were arraigned before United States Commissioner Hitchcock. The prisoners were held in \$10,000 bail for examination Wednesday.

GROUNDING WARSHIP FLOATED AT HIGH TIDE

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Oct. 1.—The battleship of the United States navy which went aground in home waters on September 28 was floated today. The sea was smooth and a large fleet of vessels pulled the warship off at high tide.

A CLEAR COMPLEXION Ruddy Cheeks—Sparkling Eyes—Most Women Can Have

Says Dr. Edwards, a Well-Known Ohio Physician. Dr. F. M. Edwards for 17 years treated scores of women for liver and bowel ailments. During these years he gave to his patients a prescription made of a few well-known vegetable ingredients mixed with olive oil, naming them Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. You will know them by their olive color. These tablets are wonder-workers on the liver and bowels, which cause a normal action, carrying off the waste and poisonous matter in one's system. If you have a pale face, sallow look, dull eyes, pimples, coated tongue, headaches, a listless, no-good feeling, all out of sorts, inactive bowels, you take one of Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets nightly for a time and note the pleasing results. Thousands of women as well as men take Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the successful substitute for calomel—now and then just to keep in the pink of condition. 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

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Charm to Old Homesteads - fragrance to Cigars (both lent by time)

Mount Vernon, the home of Washington, owes much of its charm to the softening, mellowing influence of Father Time.

The OWL and other mellow Cigars owe much of their fragrance to the same mellowing influence of time.

In fact, careful time-curing of selected tobaccos is the big secret behind OWL Cigar fragrance.

And to guarantee every OWL a fragrant OWL requires that a reserve supply of leaf worth \$1,000,000 or more be constantly curing. For no leaf must go into the OWL Cigar until OWL curing experts have pronounced it "ready" in OWL mellow fragrance. And it takes Mother Nature and Father Time long months to get OWL leaf to this "ready-point."

Why don't you try an OWL Cigar and see how well it keeps for you the OWL "fragrance-pledge." 5c at the nearest cigar store.

Advertisement for OWL Cigars. Features a large illustration of a cigar with the text 'OWL THE MILLION DOLLAR CIGAR 5c STRAIGHT'. Below the illustration is the text 'Showing exact size of the fragrant, mellow OWL' and 'Branded—for your protection'. At the bottom right, it says 'M. A. GUNST BRANCH GENERAL CIGAR CO., INC.'

Advertisement for GIM CHUNG China Herb Store. Text: 'Highest quality, jewelry repairing. MADE IN MEDFORD SUITS KLEIN FOR KLOTHES. TO ORDER \$25.00 UP Also Cleaning, Pressing and Altering 128 E. MAIN UPSTAIRS'.

Advertisement for WESTON'S Camera Shop. Text: '208 East Main Street, Medford. The Only Exclusive Commercial Photographer in Southern Oregon. Negatives Made any time or place by appointment. Phone 147-J. We'll do the rest. J. B. PALMER.'