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ACTION INDICATED LAFOLLETTE PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Preliminary consideration of numerous petitions seeking expulsion from the senate of Senator La Follette and several other senators for their attitude toward the war was begun today by the senate privileges and elections committee, but no action was taken, and another meeting will be held tomorrow.

Sentiment was said to have developed at today's meeting for action of some kind and against merely tabling the petitions. The question of proper procedure was discussed without agreement.

Senator La Follette is said to be considering an address before congress adjourns, in answer to his critics.

PERMIT STORAGE OF GRAIN FOR SEED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—In order to insure the retention of sufficient seed wheat and rye to sow next year's war crops, the department of agriculture today announced that the 30-day grain storage limitation will not apply to seed grain. Lots may be kept for seed purposes until the end of the next seeding season, but cannot be sold at a price exceeding by 15 percent the selling price of number 1 wheat at the elevator where stored.

TALES FROM TOLO

Mrs. D. D. McCoy of Camilla, Calif., arrived last Tuesday morning for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morgan. J. B. Stevens left Wednesday morning for Albany on business. He visited the state fair at Salem before his return.

Mrs. Thomas E. Scott of Medford spent Friday at the R. Morgan home helping her little son, Billie, celebrate his seventh birthday.

R. E. Smith sold 14 head of fat hogs to Victor Purnell of Central Point Saturday, receiving 15 cents a pound.

Mrs. P. Blackburn was a business caller in Jacksonville Saturday.

Mr. Wentover from San Francisco was visiting at the J. N. Mansfield home Saturday.

Dorothy Grigsby returned to Medford Saturday after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Bert Hippy.

The W. H. Stewart family moved to the Mrs. Calloun house one day last week.

J. J. Pankey and R. M. Conley were in Jacksonville Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Currier and daughter were Sunday afternoon callers at the home of Miss Mary Hural. Ivan Smith went to Medford Sunday evening, where he will enter high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Nichols were called to Sams Valley Monday morning by the death of Mrs. Nichols' sister, Mrs. D. E. Paakay.

A. A. Boyce was a business caller at Jacksonville Monday.

R. A. Pierce, Paul Pierce, F. W. Sifers and Wm. Pennington started on a hunting trip Monday morning in the Evans creek vicinity.

W. H. Morgan and family were Sunday visitors at Ashland park.

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WAR MATERIAL SHY IN GERMANY ADMIT PRISONERS

CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Oct. 2.—The enemy early this morning attempted to raid our lines in the Avion sector, but was discovered before he got to close quarters and driven off after sustaining a number of casualties. The infantry activity is generally less than normal, but the sound of guns never ceases. The Germans are attempting more by way of destructive shots on our battery positions than they did earlier in the season, but even in this respect they are still far behind the British and Canadian gunners.

There has been marked increase in the use of long range, high velocity guns by the Germans. The results certainly do not justify the free use of these guns. The enemy also has increased the proportion of gas shells and has sent in many varieties of gas. This may indicate that the chemicals from which poison gas is made are available in greater quantities than those required for high explosives.

All the prisoners of good education now speak of the growing scarcity of war materials, and particularly of articles such as rubber, cotton and copper, which can neither be produced at home nor obtained from Germany's European neighbors. One of the prisoners taken is yesterday's outpost affair said that while Germany could not be conquered in the field, she would be forced to make peace because of her failure to obtain supplies.

The weather is excellent and the men in the trenches are in good health and spirits. The casualties continue extremely light.

GERMAN DENIAL OF SEPARATE PEACE OFFER

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 3.—Germany has made no proposals whatever for a separate peace either with France or Great Britain. Dr. Von Kuehmann, the German foreign secretary, makes this announcement, according to advices from Berlin. In answering the speech made by General Verkhovskiy, the Russian minister of war, before the democratic congress in Petrograd.

200,000 EN ROUTE TO CANTONMENTS NATIONAL ARMY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—About 200,000 men, representing the third increment to the national army, today are on their way to sixteen cantonments, where already half the 687,000 called to the colors by the president are mobilized. Altho today's quota should be 40 per cent, local conditions in the various states have reduced the general average of the increment to 20 or 25 per cent.

The railroad war board issued a statement today in connection with the part which the railroads have played in handling the biggest troop movement ever attempted in this country.

Including the national guard, the regular army and the new national army, the railroads to date have moved approximately 720,000 soldiers from their homes to training camps or embarkation points," says the statement.

"The great bulk of this army required special train service, involving the use of 13,500 passenger cars, including 1500 Pullman and tourist sleepers, 2900 baggage cars and 4500 freight cars.

"The longest haul made in the new national army movement to date was from Yuma, Ariz., to Fort Riley, Kan., 1514 miles.

"Of the national guard movements, the longest one was made by a battalion of San Francisco engineers from San Francisco, Cal., to a point on the Atlantic coast."

PRESIDENT REMITS DISMISSAL SENTENCE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—President Wilson has remitted the sentence of dismissal from the army imposed on Second-Lieutenant Arthur Bingham, Jr., Sixth field artillery, by a general court-martial, following conviction of having represented himself as a single man when he was in fact married. The officer was a corporal in his regiment and when making application for examination for appointment as a second lieutenant was found guilty of having described himself as single on the official form.

THREE BURNED TO DEATH IN BRUSH FIRE IN CALIFORNIA

FILLMORE, Cal., Oct. 3.—Three women and a baby are known to have been burned to death, property valued at half a million dollars is believed destroyed and further destruction is threatened by a brush fire north of here, said to have been started by an unidentified man last Friday, but which became dangerous only yesterday.

The dead—Mrs. C. E. Webb, Miss Ruth Fansler, Mrs. Webb's baby, Mrs. Webb's sister-in-law.

Many persons were burned severely and a number of persons have not been heard from and some may have been lost.

Hundreds of men now are fighting to prevent the spread of the fire, which is traveling westward past a point six miles north of here.

The four dead were found together in the Little Sespe river canyon. Their clothing and bodies were burned. They were huddled in a group.

Seventeen persons, including those dead, were on the Anaconda oil property, six miles north of here, when the fire reached there late yesterday. All were forced to run for their lives. To reach safety they had to take some path thru a gully or down the canyon, and it is believed the women lost their way.

Miss Fansler's brother, who escaped, said he was holding his sister's arm, aiding her, but she stumbled, and in the blinding smoke and baking flames which were closing in, he was unable to find her again. Apparently she and the two other women, with Mrs. Webb's baby, gave out when the first touch of fire reached them.

GERMAN CITIES ORDERED DARKENED

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 3.—The German military authorities have issued orders that all lights in the governmental district of Dusseldorf and a great portion of Westphalia must be darkened at night, according to the General Anzeiger of Essen. Similar precautions against air raids are being taken at other places in western Germany.

RIGHT TO STRIKE IN WAR TIME IS DEFENSE OF I. W. W.

CHICAGO, Oct. 3.—Whether an organization can go on strike during war time and whether members of organizations can stay on a strike when that strike was initiated before the war started, are the two paramount issues between the United States government and the 166 indicted members of the I. W. W., according to Otto Christensen, attorney for the latter organization.

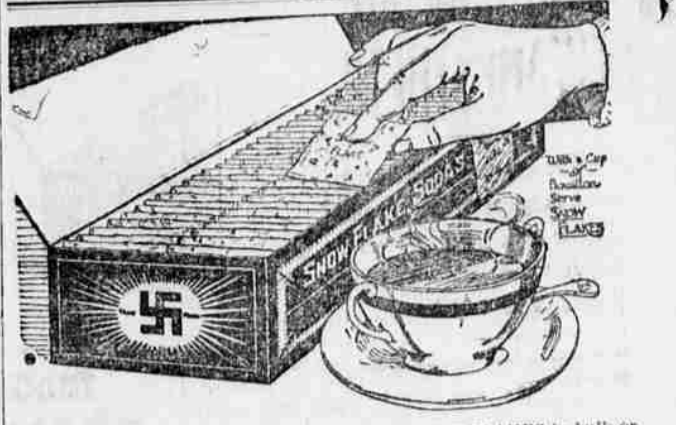
Sweeping denial of each of the charges named in the indictment was made by Christensen, who asserted the chief point at issue is whether the I. W. W. members are within the law in promulgating strikes during war time.

"The government charges cannot possibly stand up," he declared. "The I. W. W. has at no time taken a positive position in regard to the war. Some of the strikes we are charged with starting 'to embarrass the government' were started before the war began. As to our alleged attempt to fight conscription, I refer federal agents to the large number of I. W. W. members who are now in the various cantonments.

"The charge that German money has been backing the organization is ridiculous."

Mr. Christensen admitted that

strenuous efforts are being made to obtain bonds for some of the leaders. He declared it would be impossible to secure a total of \$1,025,000 which would secure the release of all under indictment, but he intimated some of the members now in the jail would be released on bail. E. A. Vanderveer of Seattle, Wash., has arrived in Chicago and will be associated with Mr. Christensen in the defense of prisoners.



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