

THE LIE IS PASSED IN I.W.W. TRIAL

Attorney Vanderveer Put in Aananias Club When Declares Abel Counsel for State Employed by Lumber Companies of Grays Harbor Section—Motion to Have Abel Removed Denied by Court—3 Jurors Are Passed—Legion Men Spectators.

MONTESSANO, Wash., Jan. 28.—The lie was passed between counsel in the trial of eleven alleged I.W.W.'s charged with murder in connection with the Centralia Armistice day shooting just before noon adjournment of court today.

George F. Vanderveer, during the examination of J. B. Price, a prospective juror, charged that W. H. Abel, of prosecution counsel, was employed by the lumber companies of the Grays Harbor section to prosecute the eleven defendants. Abel, replying, charged defense counsel with uttering "a deliberate lie," but was stopped by the court from arguing further. Vanderveer made a motion that Abel be removed as one of counsel for the prosecution, the court denying the motion. Prosecuting Attorney Herman Allen of Lewis county entered a statement that Abel had been employed by his office and declaring Vanderveer's assertion untrue in all particulars.

Three Jurors Passed

When court adjourned at noon three temporary jurors had been passed, two having been excused during the morning session and one accepted. The examination of J. B. Price, a sealer, of Aberdeen, was to be resumed at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Extension of the term of the January venire, and of the special venire, to March 6, was agreed upon today by Judge M. Wilson. The order must be signed, however, by two superior court judges of this county before it becomes effective.

Interested spectators during the morning session today were about a score of American Legion men, wearing the service uniform. Among them was Harvey J. Moss, former adjutant general of Washington state.

Examination of talesmen today was faster than during the two previous days of the court and counsel for the prosecution declared it was an indication of the possible filling of the box within another week.

MONTESSANO, Wash., Jan. 28.—Evidence of more speed in the examination of prospective jurors was shown today in the trial of 11 alleged I.W.W. charged with murder in connection with the Armistice day killings at Centralia, November 11, 1919. In less than an hour after court opened three talesmen had been examined and excused, two when challenged for cause and one because of ill health.

The speed shown in the examination of jurors, it was thought, might result in the selection of a jury in less time than was at first predicted. Only two jurors have been accepted tentatively.

The 11 defendants appeared this morning with shaven faces, today being one of the two days a week they are allowed to shave.

W. A. Combs, merchant of Elma, lumber town east of here, was excused by the court when it was shown he was suffering with heart trouble and excitement was likely to result disastrously.

G. H. Karshner, Aberdeen merchant, and Helmer Bloom, laborer, Hoggam, had opinions and challenges for cause by the defense were sustained.

C. D. Cunningham and W. H. Abel, defense counsel, took turns today in examining talesmen.

U.S. NUT SPECIALIST TO VISIT MEDFORD

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 28.—A dispatch received here today from Washington D. C., stated that Dr. J. C. Reed, nut specialist of the department of agriculture, left last night for Oregon, where he will cooperate with Dr. D. E. Fisher, government pathologist in the examination of fruit and nut orchards around Medford, Eugene, Salem and McMinnville, which suffered from the recent December freeze.

U.S. GOVERNMENT WILL NOW INVESTIGATE WAR RECORD JACK DEMPSEY

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Annette Adams, United States attorney here announced today that her office is investigating charges of irregularity in connection with the exemption from military service of Jack Dempsey, heavyweight boxing champion.

Data in the case gathered by E. M. Blanford, chief of the department of justice bureau of investigations here, was turned over by Mrs. Adams today to Colonel Charles W. Thomas, assistant federal attorney with instructions to investigate the matter fully.

ESTHONIA WILL SIGN TREATY OF PEACE THURSDAY

LONDON, Jan. 28.—A peace treaty between Estonia and the Russian soviet government is to be signed tomorrow, according to a dispatch from Riga to the Exchange Telegraph company. Estonia is to receive financial and other material help under the peace agreement.

The treaty, according to these advisers provides that Estonia shall receive 16,000,000 rubles in gold, concessions for the construction of a railway from Reval to Moscow, materials for building the line and 300 locomotives.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 28.—Lettish troops have captured Guzyn, the last town in eastern Latvia occupied by Russian bolsheviks, and have reached the Lettish Russian frontier at many places, according to a Lettish official report quoted in Riga dispatch received here. Much war material and 2,000 prisoners have been captured and fighting continues along the whole front, it is said.

The bolshevik forces on the Lettish front are retreating eastward, according to the report, and many detachments have been annihilated in recent fighting.

INDUSTRIAL COURT ENDS COAL STRIKE

PITTSBURG, Kan., Jan. 27.—The first application of the new Kansas industrial court law was made here today. Attorney General Richard J. Hopkins is this morning examining seven witnesses to the strike of 409 miners of the Western and Wear coal companies who yesterday struck in protest against the new law.

The examination was not public. While the seven miners were testifying, their fellow miners were back at work. Both the mines idle yesterday were working today and it was announced by operators officials that there were no idle mines today because of "protest strikes."

POSTAL STRIKE THIS FAR LAME AFFAIR

PORTLAND, Jan. 28.—Two line-men of the Postal Telegraph company's force here went on strike today, according to Manager John Anand of the Postal office. Three men, all that are employed at this office, went out yesterday, he said, but one returned today.

TACOMA, Jan. 28.—L. L. Craft, manager of the Postal Telegraph company office here said this morning that none of his local operators or linemen have gone out on strike. He said there was no trouble between the company and employees.

AWARDED \$11,600 DAMAGES FROM USING ROSS RIFLE

QUEBEC, Que., Jan. 27.—C. O. Dunstall, of Geraldine, Mont., has been awarded \$11,600 damages from Sir Charles Ross, head of the former Ross Rifle company for injuries received while using a Ross rifle. The award was made by Justice Dorion here.

WILL CONGRESS REFUSE AID TO DYING BABIES?

President Wilson In Note to Secretary Glass Declares It "Unthinkable" That America Will Withhold Surplus Food From Starving Women and Children.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—President Wilson today asked Secretary Glass to make another appeal to congress for authority to loan \$150,000,000 to Poland, Austria and Armenia to relieve their desperate food situation.

The president wrote the secretary that it was "unthinkable" to him that the United States should withhold from the stricken people of those countries the assistance which could be rendered "by making available on credit a small portion of our exportable surplus of food."

The president's letter follows: "With considerable regret I have noticed from the press that congress is delaying the granting of authority for the extension of prompt and generous relief to the stricken portion in Europe, the urgency and importance of which, especially in respect to Poland, Austria, and Armenia, you have fully explained to the ways and means committee.

"It is unthinkable to me that we should withhold from those people who are in such mental and physical distress the assistance which can be rendered by making available on credit a small portion of our exportable surplus of food which would alleviate the situation.

"While I am sure that you must have explained fully to the ways and means committee the appalling situation in those parts of Europe where men, women and children are now dying of starvation and the urgent necessity for prompt assistance, I beg of you that you make another appeal to congress. I am informed that thru the published reports of hearings before the ways and means committee, the congress has now been furnished with incontrovertible facts showing the necessity for immediate affirmative action.

"This prosperous republic ought not to bear any part of the responsibility for the moral and material chaos that must result from an unwillingness on our part to aid those less fortunate than ourselves. We cannot, merely to husband a small proportion of our surplus permit the happening of this great catastrophe."

URGE BANKERS TO GIVE ASSISTANCE TO U.S. FARMERS

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—An appeal for greater interest in agriculture by bankers of the United States was given out today by Richard S. Hawes, of St. Louis, president of the American Bankers association.

"Nothing is more germane to the future happiness of America and the prosperity of its bankers than increased scientific production on the farm," said Mr. Hawes.

"Bankers should lend every assistance to the encouragement of scientific farming methods which will bring proper and adequate returns on labor and capital invested. The bankers must help solve every problem facing the rural communities because their prosperity is close to the whole future of the country."

U.S. AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO RESIGNS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Henry P. Fletcher has resigned as United States ambassador to Mexico to take effect in the course of the next few weeks. He terminates eighteen years service in the diplomatic branch of the government with great regret and without any particular plans for his own future, but feels certain he can no longer be helpful in cultivating proper relations with Mexico as long as President Carranza remains in control there.

The ambassador's activity in the presentation of American demands have made it certain that he could not return to his post with benefit to either government.

3D POLITICAL PARTY PLANNED, CONVENTION IN SALEM TOMORROW

SALEM, Jan. 28.—Birth of a third political party in Oregon may be the outcome of a convention, to begin here Thursday morning, of delegates from all parts of the state from labor unions and granites. Decision to convene and strive at the formation of the party was reached at the annual convention, in October at Bend, Ore., of the State Federation of Labor, it became known here today.

ACQUITTED OF MURDER, JAP TO STAY IN JAIL

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28.—Acquitted of a charge of murder, O. Kaneda went back to jail here last night for an indefinite stay, at his own request, he is paying board to the sheriff for the privilege of remaining.

Kaneda was accused of having caused the death of another Japanese here recently in a business quarrel. He was discharged after trial but his attorney told the court that the man feared the vengeance of friends of the deceased Japanese and wanted permission to stay in jail until he could arrange to leave the city. He said he was willing to pay for the privilege. His plea was granted and the sheriff permitted him to return to his old cell.

RIDICULES IDEA OF WIRELESS FLASH FROM PLANETS

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—There has been no unusual interference with wireless communication in America, asserted Dr. E. F. W. Anderson, chief engineer of the Radio Corporation of America in discussing today the mysterious wireless signals described recently in London by Signor Marconi.

He scouted the suggestion advanced by some scientists abroad that the signals might have come from another planet. If the disturbance existed according to Dr. Anderson, it was purely terrestrial.

"The supposed signals which are considered unusual probably are produced by some spark station," he said "and are being heard at a greater distance than ordinarily because of the clearness of the atmosphere and the absence of the static. The fact that the mysterious signals are perfectly decipherable bears out my contention."

HERE'S WHERE RUN IS STARTED ON BRICK YD.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 28.—Indications that whiskey is being sent into Oregon in bottles concealed in the middle of cement bricks were brought to the attention of the police here today when a man who refused to give his name turned such a brick over to the authorities.

The man said he had thrown the brick in a pile of burning rubbish. There was a slight explosion and he saw flames shoot forth from the interior of the brick. When the fire died down he discovered the bottle in the brick.

Four Hold Ups in Seattle.

SEATTLE, Jan. 28.—Police records today showed four hold ups were reported during the night. H. M. Clark was the heaviest loser. He reported two men held him to four blocks from Times square and took \$104 from him.

The French opera season at New Orleans terminated last night, when, just a few hours before the curtain was to rise the opera troupe refused to go on the stage until salaries were guaranteed for the rest of the season.

Instructors at the University of California yesterday presented the faculty welfare board with a memorial asking for increased salaries.

FLU SPREADING PORTLAND AND PUGET SOUND

700 Cases in Portland, 180 Sailors Puget Sound Navy Yard in Hospital—Disease However Is Mild—Situation in Country at Large Reported About the Same.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—Sixty cases of influenza were on record at the city health bureau today, nearly half of them having developed within the past 24 hours. The illness seems to be spreading more rapidly, according to the authorities. The number of cases in the state was estimated at 700 today by the state health officer.

BERKELEY, Wash., Jan. 28.—Influenza at the Puget Sound navy yard has sent 180 men of the battleship division, Pacific fleet, to the hospital during the past several days, it became known today. One death was reported. Dr. F. G. Aberken, medical officer of the yard, said today that the disease is a mild form of influenza and that steps have been taken to check it.

SPOKANE, Jan. 28.—Twenty-five new cases of influenza were reported to the health office here today, bringing the total to 209. Three deaths from the disease were reported yesterday. Health Officer Hendricks declared today he thought cases reported did not represent the true extent of the epidemic here.

Calls for nurses from eastern Washington town have been received at Red Cross headquarters here. Fullman today reported 250 cases in that town, it was stated, and an epidemic also was said to exist at Pomeroy. No nurses are available here, it was said.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—There has been practically no change in the influenza situation over the United States during the last 24 hours. A slow but gradual increase in the number of new cases was shown in reports from several states received today by the public health service.

BUDAPEST, Jan. 27.—Influenza victims are increasing in this city, many dropping in the streets. The government is requisitioning medicines because of the present scarcity. Hungarian frontiers are tightly closed as a barrier against disease as well as to prevent the export of food and valuables.

AUSTRIA CROWN NOW WORTH LESS THAN HALF CENT

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Foreign exchange was demoralized today under the lead of New York, which slumped to \$3.53 to the pound, representing a decline of about 35 per cent from the normal. Paris checks at 47 francs to the pound and Belgium at 49 francs contributed to the demoralization while business with Italy was almost impossible.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—English exchange rates dropped to another low level today when demand bills on the pound sterling dropped to \$3.53, or 13 1/2 below yesterday's record low.

In the first half hour sterling dropped to \$3.52 1/2. Franc checks opened at the new low rate of 13.12 for the dollar, off 20 centimes from yesterday's close. Lire checks were quoted at 15.92, 18 centimes below yesterday's record low.

German marks were quoted at 1.05 cents and Austrian crowns at 31-100 of one cent.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 28.—A telephone message from the warden of the federal penitentiary at McNeil's Island, Wash., received by Sheriff Harburt here today stated that Joe Riley, said to be one of the most notorious counterfeiters in the west, escaped last night from the federal prison. His absence was not discovered until today, the warden stated.

JUGO SLAYS HOLDING FIRM TO TERMS AS OFFERED BY WILSON

PARIS, Jan. 28.—The Jugoslavians reply to the allied ultimatum regarding the Adriatic question received in Paris this afternoon amounts to a virtual refusal of the compromise offered by the Italians. The reply it is believed, suggests a new basis of compromise along the lines of President Wilson's proposals.

The note, while amounting to a refusal of the alternative contained in the allied ultimatum, is couched in a conciliatory tone and opens the way for further discussion of the question. Jugoslavians point out that "she is still quite ready to accept a solution of the problem along the lines of President Wilson's proposals."

MUST RESTRICT FEDERAL RANGE IN NORTHWEST

SPOKANE, Jan. 28.—Depletion of the range in the national forests of the west, due to extraordinary demands made upon it by the war, will necessitate marked restrictions upon its future use until the setback it has suffered has been overcome. Will C. Barnes, assistant United States forester in charge of grazing, told delegates to the American National Livestock association's convention here today.

In spite of the drought for three successive years in the northwest, and the drought and the unusually damaging forest fires last season in northwestern states, more than one million additional head of cattle and sheep were cared for on the forest ranges as a war emergency, he declared. In addition the war called away many experienced rangers and herders, and only about 65 per cent of the former have returned to the service.

Reduction of the number of stock on the ranges, Mr. Barnes said, will be effected thru withdrawal of temporary permits issued during the war. Another measure contemplated to assist in the recovery of the range will be a shortening of the grazing season in some forests thru postponement by ten or fifteen days of the opening date for grazing in the spring. To counteract the effect of these measures, Mr. Barnes urged the stockmen to improve the breed of their stock and maintain smaller herds, by which means, he declared, they would increase their revenue.

HUNGARY VOTES TO BE A MONARCHY

BUDAPEST, Tuesday, Jan. 27.—It is estimated the monarchistic vote cast in the elections Sunday and yesterday approximated 55 per cent of the total number of ballots. Speculation is said to be centered on who now will be king and guesses range from Hapsburg princes to sons of European ruling houses and American multi-millionaires.

BERNE, Jan. 27.—Prince Otto, eldest son of former Emperor Charles of Austria Hungary, is favored by legitimists as the future king of Hungary, according to Budapest advices received here. Confirmation has been given reports that the monarchists won a decisive victory in the elections held in Hungary on Sunday and Monday.

ERZBERGER'S CONDITION CONSIDERED SERIOUS

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—The condition of Matthias Erzberger, vice premier and minister of finance, who was shot Monday by Oltwig von Hirschfeld, a former cadet officer, was somewhat worse today.

An X-ray examination of the wound yesterday showed the bullet firmly lodged in the shoulder blade. Another consultation over his case will be held tomorrow.

U.S.A. TRADE COMMISSION IS ATTACKED

Nicholas Murray Butler President of Columbia and Aspirant for President on Republican Ticket Lambasts Policy of Administration's Trade Board—Dissolution of Meat Trust Is Condemned—Business Brains Persecuted.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 28.—An attack on the federal trade commission was made before the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce today by Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university and an aspirant for the republican nomination for president.

Discussing the necessity of clearing away uncertainties in public policy that hamper business he said:

"We have at the present time a federal trade commission appointed pursuant to the provisions of a statute which might easily be so administered as to do great good. The federal trade commission has, however, utterly misconstrued its proper functions and has preferred to persecute business rather than to protect and develop it. The cheaply won applause which is sure to follow the violent denunciation of somebody or something for an alleged wrong has been preferred to the much more solid and lasting approval of an intelligent people that would follow upon constructive acts which should indicate how the business of the country might be better and more wisely developed.

"It is little short of pathetic after some of the best brains in the nation have organized and set on foot a great industrial undertaking which engages the co-operation of thousands of men and women, reduces the cost of production of some staple article, and begins to extend American trade into new lands, to find them summarily brought to book as criminals by the attorney general of the United States or by the United States district attorney in some judicial district.

HELLO GIRLS TO VOTE ON ACTION IN WAGE RAISE

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28.—The vote of the 10,000 girl telephone operators in the Pacific coast states on the question of taking steps to enforce their demands for a wage raise from \$2 to \$4 a day, is to be canvassed here tomorrow, according to an announcement of the Pacific district headquarters, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. The 5,000 telephone electrical workers in the same states have voted to enforce, if possible, their demands for a wage raise of from \$5 to \$7 a day.

Miss Julia O'Connor, head of the national organization of telephone operators is expected here in a few days to take final action on the vote. James P. Noonan, president of the International Union of Electrical Workers is expected here the first of next week for a like purpose.

No strike will be considered until every possible effort otherwise has ended in failure, the Pacific district headquarters said.

WIFE ALASKA MAGNATE IS GIVEN A DIVORCE

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28.—A decree of divorce was granted here yesterday to Mrs. Isabelle Cleary Barnette, wife of E. T. Barnette, said to be the founder of Fairbanks, Alaska. He is at present in Los Angeles, and interested in business enterprises in Mexico. Mrs. Barnette was granted the custody of her daughters, Virginia, 14, and Phyllis, 8.

Mrs. Barnette accompanied her husband in the early nineties when he ventured into the Alaskan gold fields. They went up the Yukon river with a boat load of supplies to open a trading post. They were wrecked where Fairbanks now stands and there, as the result of the accident, started what later grew to be the richest city of Alaska. Barnette's mining and banking enterprises accumulated for him a huge fortune.