

Neutrality of the United States Branded as Being "Hypocritical" By Some of Germany's Citizenry

RUSSIAN ADVANCE ON KONIGSBERG IS FINALLY STOPPED

United Press Service
LONDON, Feb. 4.—The Russians have abandoned their march toward Königsberg. It seems apparent. Despatches from Petrograd during the last three days have made no mention of any progress toward the Prussian capital.

The latest advices say that Russian advance met a superior force, and was forced to halt.

The Germans suffered heavy losses in preventing the Russians from crossing the Angerap at Dankenmen, but the Russians are thus far unable to route the Germans from their strong positions.

United Press Service
PETROGRAD, Feb. 4.—All Poland from Warsaw west to the Prussian frontier is a bloody battle ground.

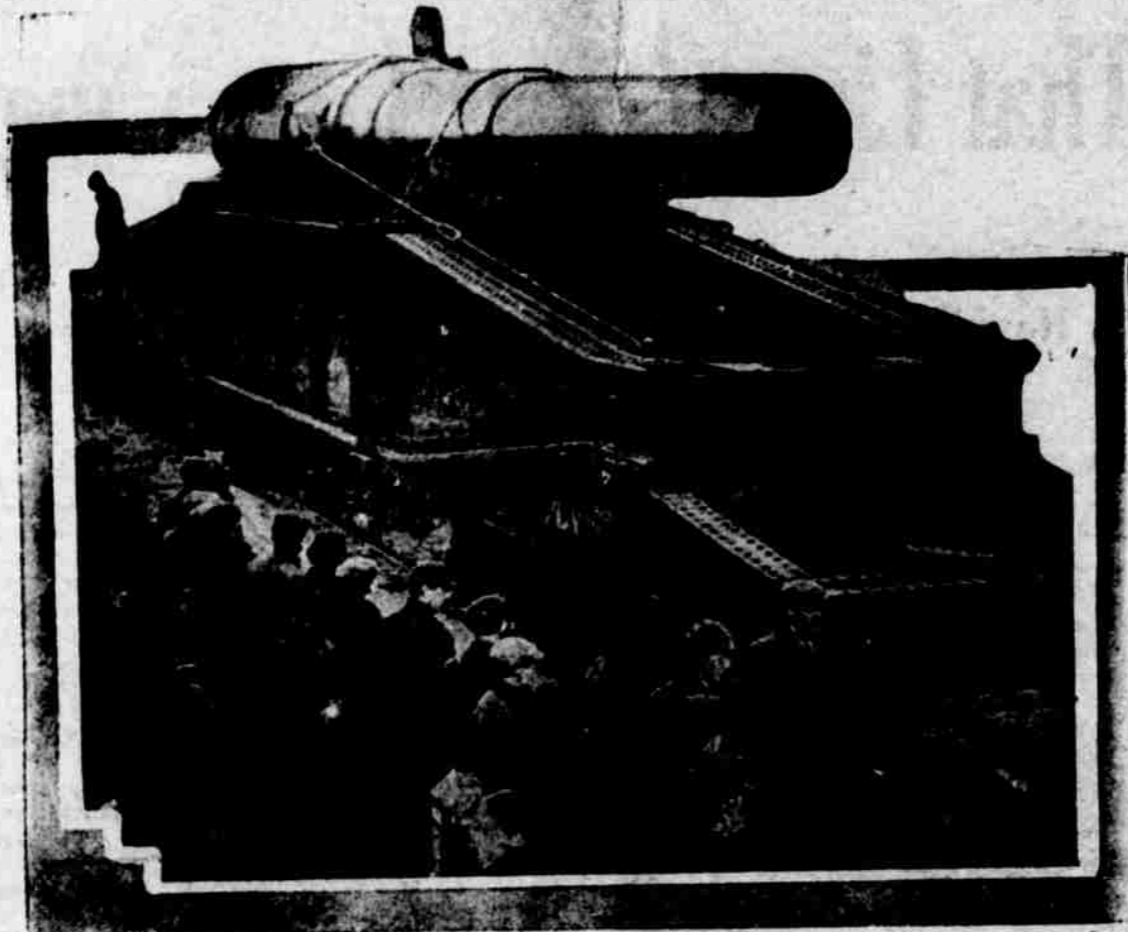
It is officially announced that there is fierce fighting at Bzura. It is admitted that the Germans have heavily reinforced, and are endeavoring to assume the offensive. Both sides are using heavy artillery.

United Press Service
VIENNA, Feb. 4.—It is officially announced that a thousand Russians and several machine guns were captured in the Carpathians by the Austrian forces.

The situation is unchanged in northern Poland and Galicia.

United Press Service
LONDON, Feb. 4.—A terrible epidemic of smallpox is raging in Vienna, according to the Amsterdam correspondent to the Telegraph. This source states that the Emperor and his court have fled from the city to escape the disease.

Uncle Sam's Enormous Gun to Protect the Panama Canal



This enormous rifle, believed to be the largest single piece of armor ever made, is being shipped by the United States government to protect the Panama canal. The photograph shows the great 16-inch gun on its way to Watertown, Mass., where it will be made ready for shipment to the canal. It weighs 284,000 pounds. The car on which the gun is carried itself weighs 192,420 pounds and no fewer than thirty-two wheels were necessary to hold it.

ONE COMMITTEE WILL NOT TAKE U. S. OFFERINGS

United Press Service
AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.—On the ground that America's neutrality is hypocritical, the war committee at Zwichau, near Dresden, today announced that it will refuse to accept relief gifts from America, according to today's issue of Lokal Anzeiger.

It is understood that the committee's chief cause for complaint is because United States manufacturers are supplying arms and ammunition to the Allies.

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—It is officially learned today that Germany has placed a concrete case before the United States government which the empire considered a real test of the neutrality question.

Baron Bernstorff, the German ambassador, delivered a note to Bryan regarding the food for the German people, shipped via the Wilhelmshafen. This gave assurances from Berlin's foreign office that the American consuls can supervise the distribution of the food to see that none of it reaches the German soldiers.

It is learned that Germany holds that if the United States insists so strongly that Americans have a right to ship food to German non-combatants as they have to ship arms and ammunition to the Allies, the neutrality will be proven.

If the decision is against Germany, the government will feel that America is other than impartial in this fight.

Germany believes that if England seizes the Wilhelmshafen's cargo, this will be pure piracy, and should be punished by the United States.

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Germany has notified America and all other neutral nations, to keep their shipping away from the Western coast of France.

This is taken to indicate an extension of Germany's activities.

LOCALS TO PLAY KENO'S QUINTET

CENTRAL SCHOOL HUSKIES, HOT ON THE TRAIL OF THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP, PRACTICING HARD

Not content with defeating Merrill twice, and winning one out of two games with the Keno school, the

Central school basketball team is now practicing hard for a game at the rink Saturday evening with the Keno team.

Coach Morris' team has won three out of four games played, and they will do their best to add another victory Saturday night. These youngsters have teamwork developed to a surprising degree, and they promise to make some of the old heads in the high school hump when they enter the high school next year and try for places.

Besides the Keno schoolboys, there will also be a team of older chaps here from Keno Saturday night. A team of local players will be banded together to meet them as a preliminary to the interscholastic game.

Changes Opposed in Drainage Bill Dead

(Herald Special Service)
SALEM, Feb. 4.—Owners of swamp land contemplating reclamation will not be affected by the amendments to be made to the drainage district law, introduced in the House by the Marion county delegation. Both authors of the law and the revision of laws committee have agreed to make the changes asked by the Lower Klamath Lake Drainage District, and its attorneys, Kuykendall & Ferguson, of Klamath Falls.

The old law will probably be left as it is. A separate bill, covering conditions in the Willamette valley in that case, will be substituted for the proposed measure.

BUSINESS MEN TO ASK BETTER RATE

AT LAST NIGHT'S MEETING IT WAS DECIDED THAT A CAMPAIGN BE WAGED TO LOWER THE FREIGHT TARIFF

That the Klamath county merchants are paying too high freight rates, and that something must be done in an effort to bring these lower were among the matters discussed at last night's meeting of the Business Men's Association. The matter is to be taken up with the railroad company.

In the meantime the members of the Business Men's Association will hustle for a bigger membership. A campaign has been started which has as its aim the enrolling of every business man in the city as an active member.

DELAYED WIRES BRING BAD NEWS

TWO KLAMATH PEOPLE LEARN OF FATHER'S DEATH IN SOUTH, AND MOTHER IS SUMMONED TO A SICK DAUGHTER

The resumption of telegraph service yesterday evening by the Western

Union brought to Mrs. J. I. Clark of this city and F. V. Corpening of Olney news of the demise of their father, Captain W. G. Corpening, the grand old Confederate veteran who made so many friends while visiting here last summer and fall. He died Monday in Asheville, N. C., but the wire service troubles throughout the country delayed the message.

Another urgent message that was delayed was to Mrs. G. K. Van Riper from San Jose, announcing that her daughter, Miss Lillian, who is attending the San Jose normal school, is very ill, and summoning her to come at once. Mrs. Van Riper left this morning for San Jose.

Who Owns Holy Land?

This Will Be a Big Question at Close of the War

LONDON, Jan. 29.—(By mail to New York)—Who is going to have Palestine when the war is over? is one of the questions which is already beginning to worry the Allied Association of New Map Makers, and the responsive query, Shall it be the United States? is receiving more consideration than, at first thought, might seem possible.

What ever happens to Germany and Austria, the Allies determined that Turkey shall be pushed completely off the map of Europe, and off the greater part of Asia Minor, and there will be a rare old scramble for "leg portions" when the Ottoman bird is carved.

Certain portions of the turkey have already been hooked. England has annexed Egypt and Cyprus, and will almost certainly insist on retaining that part of the Persian gulf and the Euphrates valley, captured by the Anglo-Indian troops. Arabia won't be much use to anybody, as its inhabitants are a bit too lively for Christian government, and anyway, England could not afford to have any other nation planted along the route to India. Russia will grab most of Asia Minor and northern Persia, and there only remains Syria, and the Holy Land.

Palestine came under Turkish do-

SHIPPING BILL DELAYED AWHILE

DEMOCRATS PUT THE MATTER OFF UNTIL TWO MORE SENATORS RETURN FROM TRIPS TO THEIR HOME STATES

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The democrats have agreed to postpone final action on the ship purchase bill until Senator Newlands arrives from Nevada, and Smith returns from Carolina. With the prospects of these votes, the leaders are hopeful for the bill's adoption.

Instead of calling an extra session in case the bill is defeated by reason of the recent filibuster, led by Smoot of Utah, it is understood that President Wilson will take the case before the people on his speaking trip in March.

ARRESTED ON A PORTLAND WIRE

LAKEVIEW PHYSICIAN IS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY JUST BEFORE NOON, CHARGED WITH MONEY MANIPULATIONS

Charged with obtaining money under false pretenses, H. Otfidal, M. D., of Lakeview, was arrested just before noon today by Sheriff C. C. Low, five minutes after the receipt of a telegram of instructions from a Portland constable.

The physician is now in the county jail.

At "Klamath's Klassy Show house" tonight, nine reels of pictures will be shown at the regular admission price—ten cents.

Collection of Taxes Is Up

Bill to Have Sheriff Collector Amended in House

(Herald Special Service)
SALEM, Feb. 4.—The House went on record yesterday as favoring the collection of taxes by the county treasurers in place of sheriffs. This action was taken when Kelly's bill to put the collection in the hands of sheriffs was amended by the House as a committee of the whole, so that the treasurer would have entire supervision of this work.

Representative Kelly's measure planned to amend the law in order to make it as it was before the county commissioners were given any part in the business of collecting taxes. Under the present condition, the work is divided and the sheriff collects only delinquent taxes. This division of the labor is criticized by many and the desire is to place the collection in the hands of one official.

After amending the bill so as to alter its entire original intent, the House authorized the appointment of a special committee to look into the matter of adjusting the salaries of sheriffs and treasurers.

If the treasurer is given the job of collecting the county taxes, it is admitted that his salary would be increased. At the same time, some of his duties are shown from him. It is argued that the sheriff should receive less remuneration.

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