

CZERNIN IS PLACING FAITH ON WILSON

LUDENDORFF BLAMED FOR GERMAN MISERY

HUN GENERAL IS DECLARED TO HAVE BLOCKED DESIRE OF THE GERMAN PEOPLE AND EMPEROR FOR PEACE

PRESIDENT WILSON WILL ARRIVE IN EUROPE AHEAD OF SCHEDULE TIME—STEAMER CHANGES ORIGINAL COURSE

(By Associated Press).

VIENNA, Dec. 11.—Count Czernin, in discussing the problems to be settled before peace was made, expressed his faith in President Wilson today.

He painted General Ludendorff as the man who stood between the central empires and peace on numerous occasions, and said that the German people, even the emperor, wanted to see the end of the war, but that England's attitude prevented steps toward that end being taken.

BREST, Dec. 11.—The transport George Washington, with President Wilson aboard, changed her course after leaving the Azore Islands, and will arrive in Brest in advance of the time announced. The boat is now expected to arrive at 10 o'clock Friday morning. Mr. Wilson will leave for Paris at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—The Jugo-Slav national council at Sea Greb, acting as a provisional government for all the Jugo-Slav territory formerly incorporated in the Austro-Hungarian empire, has submitted a protest to the Allies against the Italian administration of occupied territories of Dalmatia, Istria and Gorizia, according to a dispatch received here.

BURLESON IS CHARGED WITH LAW BREAKING

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The Commercial Pacific Cable company, allied with the Commercial Cable company, has asked for an injunction in the federal court restraining Postmaster General Burleson from further control of its 10,000 miles of cable between San Francisco and China, Japan and the Philippine Islands.

Violation of international law by Burleson is charged in the complaint, which asserts that the United States had not obtained consent to the seizure from the nations upon whose territory the cables land. It is further alleged that such consent would be unconstitutional without a formal treaty approved by the senate.

The contention is upheld, the company declares, by information from the London office that a department of the British government has instructed the Commercial Cable company representatives there to make no changes in the direction of the American postmaster general without first submitting them to that department for approval.

The bill of complaint is filed for the Commercial Pacific company by Charles H. Hughes and William W. Cook as counsel.

BIG INCREASE IN CROPS IS REPORTED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Final estimates of the Department of Agriculture place the corn crop at 2,582,314,000 bushels and the wheat at 917,000,000 bushels. The value of the principal crops of the Nation is estimated at \$614,000,000 more than those of last year.

BIG LEAGUERS TO HOLD CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The National Baseball League went on record as favoring a joint conference with the American League to discuss the problems now confronting the game.

MANY WESTERN SOLDIERS REACH HOME SHORES

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—The White Star liner Canopic will discharge 1,500 soldiers immediately, mostly from the Western states. These will include aviation units which have been flying in England.

ENGLISH NAVY DECLARED NECESSARY FOR DEFENSE

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Premier Lloyd George declared today that the Allies must put an end to the conscription of armies in Europe if the horrors of war are to be prevented. He declared that the Navy is a defensive weapon rather than offensive and that is why England does not intend to give it up.

CHAIRMEN FOR R. C. CAMPAIGN ARE SELECTED

PEOPLE ASKED TO CALL ON LEADERS OF THEIR DISTRICT WITH THEIR DOLLARS FOR MEMBERSHIP, SAVING TIME.

The following persons have been appointed as chairmen of their respective districts for the Red Cross Xmas Roll Call. They will arrange to see every one within their reach during the week December 16-23 to offer an opportunity to become a member of the Red Cross for the year 1919.

Now suppose you spring a surprise on the Chairman of your district by calling on her first. Hand her your \$1.00 and ask for a membership. All that is required, you know, is a heart and a dollar. This will save her a lot of work for which she gets no more reward than you do and I am sure your thoughtfulness will be greatly appreciated.

- Following is the list:
- Albany—Mrs. Mae Egan.
 - Miller Hill—Mrs. Ed Sutton.
 - Mt. Laki—Mrs. Geo. Grizzle.
 - Henley—Mrs. J. R. Dixon.
 - Swan—Elsie Applegate.
 - Worden—Chester Wilson.
 - Poe Valley—Mrs. M. E. Van Meter.
 - Bonanza—Mrs. Dr. W. S. Johnson.
 - Ft. Klamath—Mrs. Dan Savage.
 - Merrill—Mrs. R. H. Anderson.
 - Chiloquin—Kirk Heidrick.
 - Midland—Wm. Tingley.
 - Langell Valley—Mrs. Geo. Deal.
 - Keno—Marion Padgett.
 - Dairy—Mrs. Vernie Jones.
 - Bly—Mrs. Arthur Hamaker.
 - Pine Grove—Mrs. Orv Campbell.
 - Main—Mrs. Arthur Petrasek.
 - Lorella—Mrs. A. E. Gals.
 - Yainax—Mrs. B. E. Wolford.
 - Crecent—E. G. Rourk.
 - Odeum—E. S. Kirby.
 - Kirk—Ed. Stoneham.
- GEO. J. WALTON,
County Manager.

BAD BOY IS AGAIN HELD BY OFFICERS

Peter Peacock, a 14-year-old boy, who was arrested six weeks ago and paroled, is again in custody of the local officers.

He was apprehended in the first instance as he was about to leave on the train, after stealing \$80 at Shipington. He was brought before County Judge R. H. Bunnell, sitting as the magistrate of the Juvenile Court, and paroled, but last Saturday was found by the police to be intoxicated, so was again taken in charge.

CONGRESSMAN-ELECT BROUGHT TO TRIAL

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Congressman-elect Victor L. Berger and four other leaders of the socialist party are now on trial here on war obstruction charges.

Preliminary questioning of Berger before Judge E. M. Landis, indicated the defense would be based on the constitutional right of free speech. Questions by the government indicated statements from socialist publications and other charges of violation of the espionage act.

REDUCTION IN STEEL STARTS JANUARY FIRST

GOVERNMENT OFFICERS FAVOR REMOVING SUPERVISION OF INDUSTRY EXCEPTING RIGHT OF EMBARGO ON EXPORTS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A moderate reduction in the scale of maximum prices for steel, beginning on January 1, is favored by the general committee on steel and steel products of the American Iron and Steel Institute which met with the war industries board on Wednesday.

This was announced by Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the committee at a meeting here of steel manufacturers with the recommendation that the question be referred to the committee with power which was done. Gary opposed any effort to reduce wage scales at present, declaring that while labor is receiving higher compensation than ever before the rates are no higher than are "proper and just" in view of the cost of living.

Perhaps the most satisfactory way of reducing "the present basis of general prices that are abnormal," Gary said, "would be the making of simultaneous reductions "in every direction," but this he declared, would be impracticable.

He urged, therefore, that the steel industry, as the "barometer of trade" begin reduction in prices even at the cost of sacrifice. Such a course, he declared, would result in price reductions by persons buying steel, and "no on down the line," until a stable business basis was reached.

"If the workmen are treated fairly and liberally," he said, "they will stand and contend for fair treatment of the employer."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—At a meeting of the Steel Committee of the American Iron and Steel Institute with the War Industries board, the attitude of the representatives was that the regulation of prices and the supervision of the steel industry should cease on January 1st, the Government retaining only the right of embargo on exports.

RATE HEARING ARRANGED FOR NEXT FRIDAY

The hearing of the Pacific States Telephone Company relative to its proposed increase in rates in Oregon, will be held before the Public Service Commission commencing Friday of this week.

As the statement which will be set forth by this corporation supporting its claims will demand a most thorough investigation, an appropriation of \$5,000 was asked of the State Emergency Board, there being no funds available to provide for the service of different experts such as this would require. It is declared that should the tariffs applied for by the Company be granted, they would approximate about \$800,000 annually.

BIRDSHAW SPENDS NIGHT AT ROSEBURG.

ROSEBURG, Dec. 11.—Aviator Birdshaw landed here yesterday from Eugene and remained overnight.

SHIP BUILDING ON COAST WILL BE ENDED NOW

SHIPPING BOARD CANCELS CONTRACTS OF YARDS ALONG PACIFIC AND GULF. CONTRACTORS TO BE PROTECTED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—The Shipping Board is determined upon the cancellation of all outstanding contracts for wooden ships where the builders have not spent over \$200,000 on a ship.

This applies to yards in the Atlantic Gulf and the Pacific States. The average contract cost of the wooden vessels averages about \$700,000 and the Board believes it will be economical to cancel the contracts with a provision against loss to the Builders.

ALIENS TO CONTROL HUNS BY REGULATING THEIR FOOD.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 11.—A report from Berlin says that the Allies will refuse to send food to Germany until the soldiers and workmen councils are dissolved. It also says that the Allies will reserve the right to march into Germany.

TEMPERANCE BODY MAKES APPEAL FOR J. MOONEY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—An appeal for a new trial for Thomas J. Mooney has been sent to Governor Stephens by the Executive Board of the Northern California section of the W. C. T. U.

LIBRARY CLUB WOMEN BUSILY ENGAGED NOW

About as busy a place as one sees these days is the Library Club kitchen, where many willing women are preparing invalid cookery for those suffering with the prevailing influenza.

About fifty families and eighty-five patients are visited by Miss Maud Baldwin and her assistants, of whom more are needed, by the way.

It is the aim to lighten the burden of those in the stricken houses, where it is impossible to get outside help for housework and nursing. In some homes there are five patients, with one person to do the nursing and housekeeping. In others, three ill, one convalescent trying to serve the ill one. It is as necessary to conserve the strength of a convalescent as to nurse a patient in bed, and that is why it is thought best to prepare nourishing food away from the homes for both ill and convalescent.

The donations received are too numerous to enumerate, but every thing sent in is badly needed, and every cent of cash given is used to the best advantage.

Those wishing to make things at home may be glad to know that much clear broth—no seasoning at all—is used; also cereals, rice, hominy, jellies, canned fruit, chicken and custards are used in quantities.

Anything hot sent to the library should be there by 10:30 a. m., at which time the meals are sent out. Anyone desiring any particular food can obtain it by asking for it.

KLAMATH WAR HERO PASSES ON IN FRANCE

MRS. F. E. TUCKER NOTIFIED THAT HER HUSBAND HAD DIED OF WOUNDS. NEWS COMES AS GREAT SHOCK.

Mrs. F. E. Tucker of 235 Michigan Avenue, has just received the sad news of the death of her husband in France on November 25th. Tucker was a member of Company K of the 125th Infantry.

Mrs. Tucker had been notified some time previous that her husband had been wounded but she did not know how seriously and the news of his death came as a great shock.

The deceased was twenty-eight years of age. He left Klamath Falls on the 25th of June. He leaves a wife and two daughters in the home here. His father and mother live in the city. He leaves four brothers, two in the army and two in Klamath Falls, one in the hospital and one in the States. He was married from Portland four years ago and has spent a large part of his time in Eastern Oregon. He was employed on the railroad here previous to his departure for France.

COUNTY TO BE REPRESENTED AT PORTLAND

Cashier Leslie Rogers of the First National Bank is to represent Klamath County at the Portland meeting for the organization of the Oregon Chamber of Commerce, which starts there tomorrow.

Mr. Rogers left for Portland this morning and gladly consented to attend this important convention and will no doubt be able to do some good work for Klamath.

Should the organization as now planned, be effected the development of the state can be speeded up substantially thru its activities and it is believed that no district is more in need of such co-operation than this.

BIG CHRISTMAS PLANNED FOR YANKERS OVERSEAS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—There will be plenty of Christmas in the A. E. F. Elaborate preparations for a real Christmas for American soldiers abroad are being made by the war department.

President Wilson and General Pershing are expected to attend some of the many affairs to be staged in every company and regimental headquarters. Christmas trees, vaudeville, athletic contests and movies will be on hand.

THIRD OREGON INFANTRY TO COME IN SECTIONS.

SALEM, Dec. 11.—Governor Withycombe has received a letter from the War Department officials saying it would be impracticable for the Department to attempt to return the old Third Oregon Infantry from France as a unit as so many men had been transferred, it would make it very difficult to assemble them.

IDEAS OF PRESIDENT FAVORABLE TO BRITISH

LONDON IS APPARENTLY IMPRESSING AMERICAN PRESIDENT WITH PRINCIPLES.

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LOCAL BOARDS CHOOSE HEADS FOR NEXT YEAR

George C. Umph of this city has chosen Monday night to head the local Moose lodge, A. F. and M. W. as Worshipful Master for the coming year. Dr. W. A. Leonard was elected Senior Warden, J. Frank Adams, Junior Warden, E. E. Keane, Treasurer and G. C. Applegate, Secretary.

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MILITARY CONVICT RECALLED

SALEM, Dec. 11.—Clarence Coffey one of the seventeen military convicts being transferred from Alcatraz Island to McNellis Island happened from a moving Southern Pacific train near Jefferson early today and escaped. Federal officer Todd, one of the three officers who had the prisoners in charge is now directing a search for him.

THREE THOUSAND MORE YANKS STARTED HOME.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—The sailing of six additional transport ships for American ports with 3,000 two officers and three thousand men is announced today. Six of the ships sailed on December 8th and the other on the 7th.

FOUR MAY BE SENT TO FRONT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Four men who had been sent to the front were today notified that they would be sent to the front. They are: Sgt. J. P. Smith, Sgt. J. P. Smith, Sgt. J. P. Smith, Sgt. J. P. Smith.