

BERLIN IS NOW IN CONTROL OF BOLSHEVIKISTS

Government Loses After a Bloody Battle

EXTREMISTS COMMAND

Independent Socialists Proclaim New Government—Part of Government Troops Go Over to Side of Rebels. Civil War Spreading to Other parts of the Empire.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—The Ebert Scheidemann government in Germany has been overturned. The extremists have gained the upper hand in Berlin after the bloodiest fighting, according to the latest dispatches.

A new revolutionary government has been proclaimed, composed of independent Socialists. Part of the government troops are reported to have gone over to the rebels. The Spartacists now hold the principal points in Berlin.

The civil warfare is reported to be spreading to other parts of Germany. Parts of the Rhenish provinces and Bavaria are also reported to be involved.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 9.—Severe fighting in which the artillery was employed, took place yesterday in Berlin near the Central Telegraph office. The Spartacists renewed attempts to seize the Chancellors Palace but were driven back with a loss of thirty killed and forty-five wounded, dispatches from Berlin to Mandelstam declare.

BASEL, Jan. 9.—(Later) Troops loyal to the Ebert government have arrived in Berlin from Potsdam and have driven the Spartacists as far as the Liegarten and have reoccupied the printing works, says the Frankfurt Zeitung.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 9.—Street fighting at Berlin has now attained the greatest intensity. The government is still master of the situation.

BERNE, Jan. 9.—Wire reports from Berlin today say that the rebels have formed a new government under the title of the "Revolutionary Committee" comprising Herr Tiek, president of the Spartacan League and two others. The Spartacans appear to be working with the Socialists or the Independents.

The dispatch seems to indicate the possibility that the new government is a rival to that of Ebert and Scheidemann and has not in fact displaced it as was indicated thru Paris advice.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—German government wireless messages say that the government is taking all the necessary measures to destroy the "Reign of Terror." They say that some parts of Berlin are now without light and water.

The Spartacans have stormed the provision depots and interrupted the feeding of the civilians and soldiers.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF B. P. O. E. HERE TONIGHT

Tonight will be the first meeting of the Elks Lodge since the influenza ban was placed on the city in October, and as there are a number of very important matters to come before the lodge, it is urged upon every member who can to be present. The big Elks convention of the state of Oregon is to be held here within the next few months, and this means a lot of work on the part of the Klamath Elks in preparation.

ATTEMPT TO KILL CZECH PREMIER.

BASEL, Jan. 9.—An attempt has been made at Prague to assassinate Dr. Karl Gramsz, the Czecho-Slovak Premier. Eight shots were fired but none took effect.

FORDSON TRACTOR BROUGHT TO CITY

The first Fordson tractor to be seen in this district has been brought over from Medford by Chilcote & Smith, the realty firm. Messrs Chilcote & Smith have leased a tract of land in the Tule Lake district, and expect to put it into cultivation by means of the new machine. The Fordson, while comparatively small in size, has the appearance of good goods done up in a small package.

WILSON'S MEETING WITH PREMIERS IS DELAYED.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—President Wilson's conferences with the Premiers of England, France and Italy will not begin before early next week. They were to have started today, but Premier Lloyd George of England was delayed.

WEATHER REPORT

Oregon—Rain tonight, warmer in the west, fair and warmer in the east portion. Rain Friday will bring westerly winds. Maximum yesterday 32 degrees. Minimum today 19 degrees.

MANY KILLED AND INJURED BY EXPLOSION

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 9.—Between fifteen and twenty persons, mostly women and girls, were killed and more than a score of others injured here late Tuesday, when an explosion wrecked an exchange building at 804 Penn avenue, in the downtown section. Eight bodies have been recovered.

As the building in which the explosion occurred is of six floors, many of the injured were hurt by jumping from upper floors. Many firemen were injured, two when an extension ladder collapsed and others by flying glass and wreckage.

William Bennett, chief of the Pittsburgh fire department, estimates the total loss at \$1,000,000.

NEW AUTO ACCESSORY STORE OPENS SOON

A new mercantile establishment will be launched here some time in March, when F. U. Patrick, who has prepared for a number of years been identified with the Southern Oregon Auto company, will open an auto accessory store in the stand now occupied by the Klamath Jewelry company, at the corner of Seventh and Main streets.

YANKS ACTIVE AGAIN ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT

ARCHANGEL, Jan. 9.—Activities have been renewed by the American and Allied forces on the Kadish front. The Americans have burned the villages of Kadish and retired from it, and then went forward and re-occupied the ruins, according to incomplete reports.

HOHENZOLLERN RULE IS ENDED FOREVER

LONDON, Jan. 9.—"Well, where in hell are we to send him?" angrily shouted Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador to the United States, in response to a question from the Berlin correspondent of the Daily Express as to whether the near presence of the former kaiser to Germany did not contain an element of danger. Count Bernstorff declared that the possibility of re-establishing a monarchy in Germany with a member of the Hohenzollern family on the throne was "unthinkable."

TEAM IS LOST THRU THE ICE IN UPPER LAKE

Valuable Animals Drowned Yesterday

NEAR BARNES' CAMP

Local Stockman Has Narrow Escape From Drowning Himself and Suffers Loss of Horses When Ice Gives Way While Returning to the City With Stead.

To have his team drown in Upper Klamath Lake late yesterday, and to narrowly escape with his own life, was the experience of C. B. Clendenning of this city.

Mr. Clendenning has been feeding his stock near the Barnes lumber camp across the lake, and had started some with his team and sled across the ice, when the accident occurred. He had proceeded only a short distance from Barnes' camp, according to report, when the ice gave way.

Clendenning, who managed to get out in time, hurried back to the camp and returned with seven men, and spent some time attempting to save the team, but their efforts were fruitless.

While mourning the loss of his horses, which were valuable animals, Mr. Clendenning feels lucky to escape as he did.

OUTLINES FOR NATION LEAGUE MADE PUBLIC

PARIS, Jan. 9.—What it calls the American plan for a league of nations is outlined by the Paris edition of the London Daily Mail. The paper says that the British government not only has accepted the plan, but is prepared to go much further.

The framework of the American scheme, according to the Daily Mail, follows:

The working organizations to be located in a small country, such as Belgium or Holland. Each nation shall send an ambassador, who also will be a member of the cabinet of his country. The ambassadors would sit continuously and would act always in agreement with their home government.

The court of the league of nations would be subordinate to and distinct from the ambassadors.

Arbitration in case of disputes would be voluntary if desired, compulsory if necessary. In case of a refusal to arbitrate, it is added, the league would appoint some of its members to exercise pressure.

DIVORCE ACTION FILED

Alleging inhuman treatment and asserting that on one occasion the defendant shot at her, a suit for divorce has been filed by A. E. Hamilton against her husband J. C. Hamilton in the office of the County Clerk. The plaintiff asks for the custody of one child, seventy-five dollars per month alimony for herself and twenty-five dollars per month for the care of the child during its minority. Two hundred dollars attorney fees are asked. The plaintiff is represented in counsel by Attorney Fred H. Mills.

LEAVING FOR PORTLAND

A. C. Panell, who has been identified with the Van Bellen Shoe Store in this city since last March will leave for Portland in a few days with his wife, where he expects to remain in the future.

TROUBLE NOW BREWING OVER C. O. P. DAM

The announcement that the California-Oregon Power company will begin the construction of the dam across Link River has stirred up a hornet's nest that will precipitate a fight that has been lying dormant for over a year. When the announcement was made that the Secretary of the Interior had made a contract with the power company whereby it was authorized to construct a dam across this river, the people of the project were dumbfounded. Immediate steps were taken to set this contract aside, and the active leader of this fight was R. E. Bradbury, who was at that time a director of the Klamath Water Users Association. C. F. Stone of this city, and the late United States Senator C. W. Fulton were employed by the association to secure the setting aside of this contract, and the preliminary steps were taken to that end. The power company, however, did not see fit to proceed with the undertaking, and make the formal acceptance of the contract that the conditions thereof provided for. Consequently the hands of the attorneys were tied until such action was taken.

Now that the company has announced that it is prepared to go ahead with the work, the forces opposed to the proposition are also preparing to meet any move that may be made, and just as soon as the company files a formal acceptance, or makes any other move that will let the attorneys for the water users into court the opening gun will be fired.

In this connection the approaching election for the selection of a director for the association is to be one of supreme importance to the water users. Two candidates have filed their intentions to stand for the office R. E. Bradbury and Robert Cheyne Jr. Mr. Bradbury is going to the people of the project on the straight out platform that he intends to push to a finish the fight against the dam, and points to the fact that it was thru his efforts that the first steps in this direction were taken. Mr. Cheyne so far has made no public declaration as to his attitude, but that he will do so before the 14th, on which date the election is to be held, is anticipated by his friends.

Under the plans proposed by the California-Oregon Power company, there would be constructed across Link River a dam of sufficient height to raise the level of the Upper lake to the high water mark. This is done for the purpose of controlling the flow of water so as to always have a supply on hand for the operation of the big Copco plant. It gives virtual control of the river and lake to the company, and under the peculiar terms of the contract, the people of the project virtually have to pay for all of these improvements.

Those opposed to this dam point out that the project practically loses 4200 horse power, for the development of which they have already paid. Another factor entering into the situation is that of the marsh land owners of the Upper lake. The raising of the level of the lake, it is contended, will flood thousands of acres of marsh land already reclaimed, among which is the famous Weed ranch.

Instead of raising the level of the lake, it is claimed that if it were lowered two feet it would result in the reclamation of 150,000 acres of marshland that would add the islands to the population of the county, increase land values many millions and be the source of untold wealth to this section of Oregon.

Already many of the owners of marsh land in the Upper country have joined into an organization for the purpose of opposing this dam, and will doubtless join hands with the water users in any fight they may make on the proposition.

WILL LOCATE IN PORTLAND

Major and Mrs. R. R. Hamilton left for their home in Portland this morning following a visit of a fortnight with friends in Klamath Falls. Major Hamilton expects to locate in Portland and resume his practice of medicine.

N. Y. HARBOR TIED UP WITH GIANT STRIKE

All Traffic Is Practically at Standstill

15,000 MEN ARE OUT

Walkout Considered Serious in Washington, Where Secretary of War and Navy Hold Conference With Railway and Shipping Authorities. Harbor Work Blocked.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The immense shipping traffic of this port is today tied up in a giant strike of the Marine workers and their affiliated workers, which went into effect here this morning.

More than fifteen thousand men are reported to be involved in the walkout, which has stopped the ferry boats, steam lighters, coal barges, tow boats and other craft in the harbor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The shipping strike which went into effect in New York this morning is considered so serious that representatives of the Railroad Administration and the Shipping Board are having a conference with Secretary of War Baker and Secretary of the Navy Daniels, regarding the matter.

MUSIC HOUSE MAKES CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP

By a deal just negotiated, Earl T. Shepherd of this city takes over the interest of his father C. F. Shepherd of Ashland in the Shepherd Piano Company of this city. The new company will be known as the Earl Shepherd Company and will conduct a business similar to that of the past. It is the new owners intention to close out his present stock to make way for new shipments now ordered. He has secured several musical agencies for ten counties in Northern California and Southern Oregon.

Mr. C. F. Shepherd retiring member of the firm has been well known to the business men of this district for the past thirty years. He has been in the piano business for fifty years and declares himself glad to be relieved of the responsibility. He will still retain his interests in the Shepherd establishments at Ashland and Bend.

JAPANESE AIDING STRICKEN SIBERIANS

TOKIO, Jan. 9.—A semi-official report says that the Japanese military authorities in Siberia have established for the purpose of rendering medical assistance to the Russian patients, charity hospitals independent of military hospitals proper, at mine centers of population in Siberia including Vladivostok. Free medical aid thus given the Russians has proved highly satisfactory and many Russians, men and women, young and aged, are gathering at these hospitals. Some patients came from a distance of more than 200 versts.

STURLING GARRETT IS IN NEW ORLEANS NOW

A wire has been received today by J. H. Garrett from his son Sturling of the United States navy, to the effect that he has arrived at the navy yards at New Orleans. It is hoped the young man will be able to secure a furlough and visit his father and mother here.

AMERICAN WRITER HONORED BY FRANCE

DETROIT, Jan. 9.—Irvin S. Cobb, writer and humorist was notified here today by Deputy High Commissioner De Billy, of France, that he has been made a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor.

Mr. Cobb said he presumed the honor was conferred in connection with his writings in behalf of the French people.

RECOVERS FROM OPERATION

Miss Eleanor Dreher, who underwent an operation at the Klamath General hospital recently, has so far recovered as to be able to be removed to her home.

JESS HUNSAKER WILL REACH HOME SOON

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hunsaker have been gladdened by the news that their son, Jess will soon be home from France. A letter written on December, 13th says that he was all packed and ready to start within a few hours and it is expected that he will reach Klamath Falls sometime this month.

WOMAN GETS BACK COMFORT KIT FROM SEA

ALBANY, Jan. 9.—Salvaged from a ship which had been torpedoed and sunk, a comfort kit sent from Albany last August by Mrs. Allan Jones, has been returned to her thru the mails. At the time of forwarding the kit from here, a card was included bearing the name of "Grandma Jones" with her address thereon. In a letter accompanying the bag upon its return, it is stated that the kit was a part of an overseas shipment upon a vessel which was torpedoed and sunk. After being salvaged, the wreckage was taken to a New Jersey paper mill. A workman discovered the kit which was but slightly damaged and, observing the name and address on the card, gave the kit to his daughter who returned it to the original maker with a letter explaining its history.

FINED FOR SHOOTING WITHIN CITY LIMITS

C. C. Randolph, who was arrested a few days ago by Game Warden, Henry Stout, was brought before Justice N. J. Chapman yesterday and fined twenty-five dollars and costs for hunting within the city limits. In lieu of the fine, he has remanded to the County Jail for seventeen days.

GEN. VON MACKENSEN IS TAKEN TO SALONIKI

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Field Marshal von Mackensen, former commander of the German army in Roumania and who was recently reported to have been arrested in Hungary, has been taken to Saloniki on a special train under a strong guard of French troops, said an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen. Mackensen strongly protested against his removal.

FAVOR REFUSED RELIEF MEASURES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 9.—The House Rules Committee has refused to report a rule giving privileged status to the bill appropriating a hundred million dollars requested by President Wilson for European relief.

EXPECTS VISIT FROM MOTHER

Miss Lois Badger of the Klamath High School Faculty is expecting a visit from her mother, who lives in Portland.

BANK STOCKHOLDERS MEET

The first annual meeting of the stock holders of the new Klamath State Bank will be held at that institution this afternoon.

WAR ON BERLIN THREATENED BY BAVARIANS NOW

Minister Indicates Radical Step Contemplated

MANY LIVES ARE LOST

Sacrifice Declared to Be Twenty Times as Much as When Kaiser Was Overthrown Two Months Ago. Government Troops Fail to Retake Public Buildings.

BERLIN, Jan. 9.—That Bavaria may begin war on Berlin to restore a condition of order, was indicated today in a speech in the Bavarian Chamber of Deputies at Munich by Herr Auer, the Minister of the Interior.

The speaker declared that Bavaria intended to intervene in the chaotic situation at the German capital and force the issue with arms unless a sudden change was evidenced.

BERLIN, Jan. 9.—The civil warfare has already cost twenty times as many lives as were sacrificed in the overthrow of Hohenzollern dynasty, two months ago.

The government troops have been repulsed in an effort to recapture the public buildings held by the revolutionists.

GERMAN FUNDS ALLEGED USED TO AID VILLA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Evidence designed to show that Francisco Villa the Mexican bandit leader, received \$380,000 worth of munitions paid for by a German agent thru the Mississippi Valley Trust company of St. Louis in 1915, has been presented to the senate committee investigating German propaganda, by Major R. Lowry Humes, in charge of the investigation. Major Humes said the money was sent by F. A. Sommerfield now interned as an enemy alien, who received credit to that extent from the St. Louis bank thru the Guaranty Trust Company of New York.

The munitions were manufactured by the Western Cartridge company at Alton, Ill., and shipped to Hipolito Villa, a brother of the Mexican bandit at El Paso, Texas, according to the documents presented by Major Humes.

PROMINENT BEND MAN IS PNEUMONIA VICTIM

BEND, Jan. 9.—Samuel Clayton Caldwell, late mayor of Bend, Or., died in Vancouver last Sunday afternoon from bronchial pneumonia. Mr. Caldwell was born in Ohio, September 28, 1861, and came west in 1882. On December 14, 1887, he married Miss Mary Pugh of Albany, Or., in which city they lived until 1905 when they moved to Bend.

LUDENDORFF TURNS HERMIT

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 9.—General Ludendorff, former chief of the German armies, is living a life of recluse on a farm near Hasleholm under the name of Ernst Lindstrom. It has been announced. He refuses to see visitors and takes long tramps thru the forests daily.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Burge Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Bert C. Thomas are being entertained at dinner this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wood Eberlein, in Hot Springs Addition.