

1,200 ARMY PRISON SENTENCES REVOKED

Gen. Crowder Says All Severe Court-martial Verdicts Will Be Reviewed.

GEN. ANSELL HEADS BOARD

Senate Committee Hears of Baker's "Kindly Consideration" Order for Objectors.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Major-Gen. Crowder, Judge Advocate General of the Army, appearing before the Senate Military Committee today at a resumption of hearings on the court-martial situation, said that all imprisonment sentences imposed on men of the army during the war and found upon review to be too severe would be mitigated through the President's power of remission.

1,200 Sentences Quashed. Steps toward mitigating the sentences were begun, Gen. Crowder said, prior to the investigation by the Senate committee. Practically all of the men sentenced to dishonorable discharge and imprisonment, he said, already have had the dishonorable discharge provision revoked. He added that 1,200 men sentenced to long terms at Leavenworth, Kan., had been honorably restored to duty in the last year.

Provisions of the pending Chamberlain's bill authorizing review by the Judge Advocate-General of court-martial sentences were opposed by Gen. Crowder, who said it would give the Judge Advocate-General extremely broad powers and authority to administer the entire system of army discipline.

Explains Need for Severity. Lieut.-Col. Alfred E. Clark of the Judge Advocate-General's office, who preceded Gen. Crowder before the committee, testified that only a few of the court-martial verdicts in question during the war were criticized as too severe. All classes of men were brought into the army, he said, and it was necessary to punish insubordination severely.

Chairman Chamberlain read into the record of the hearing a confidential order on conscientious objectors which he said was sent to all camp commanders in the United States by Adj.-Gen. Leonard at the direction of Secretary Baker. The order as placed in the record follows:

"The Secretary of War directs that you be instructed to advise the conscientious objectors in your divisions and to place them under supervision of instructors who shall be specially selected with a view to insuring that these men will be handled with tact and consideration and that their questions will be answered fully and freely.

With respect to their attitude of objecting to military service these men are not to be treated as violating military law, thereby subjecting themselves to the penalties of the Articles of War, but their attitude in this respect will be quietly ignored and they will be treated with kindly consideration.

Kept From the Newspapers. Attention in this connection is invited to a case where a number of conscientious objectors in one of our divisions when treated in this manner renounced their original objections to military service and voluntarily offered to give their best efforts to the service of the United States as soldiers.

"It is desired that after the procedure above indicated shall have been followed for a sufficient length of time to afford opportunity to judge the results derived from it, reports of the action taken and the results obtained under these instructions is to be submitted to the War Department by each division commander. As a result of the consideration of these reports further instructions will be issued by the Secretary of War as to the policy to be observed in the future in all cases of conscientious objectors.

"Under no circumstances are the instructions contained in the foregoing to be given to the newspapers."

Bumper Sugar Crop in Cuba. The Munson liner Munamar, in yesterday from Antilla, Cuba, brought more than 8,000,000 pounds of sugar, and Col. William Brackett, who has been in command of two regiments of United States marines on the island, said that despite labor troubles he believed there would be a bumper sugar crop this year. The presence of the marines had a stabilizing influence, the Colonel said.

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DROP IN COAL PRICE EXPECTED IN SPRING

Mild Winter and Conservation Help Reserve Here.

Nervousness is evident among coal dealers because of the comparatively light demand for coal. Most of them have unusually large stocks on hand. Most consumers filled their bins when the filling was good, while the mild winter contributed to coal conservation. Many dealers believe therefore that the law of supply and demand will tend to reduce the price of anthracite in the spring.

Charles S. Allen, secretary of the New York Wholesale Coal Trade Association, said yesterday that while the supply is far ahead of the demand just now and there is a large surplus of tide-water less coal is being mined and little is coming in.

Many miners in the bituminous coal districts are out of work or are working on half time. In the Pennsylvania anthracite fields, employing 160,000 men, the mines, it is said, are reducing their output one-half.

MEXICANS GUARD U. S. MINES.

Federal Troops at Points Threatened by Villa.

JUANES MEXICO, Feb. 26.—Mexican Federal troops have been ordered to guard American mining properties in northern Mexico, it was announced today, and 200 troops have been stationed at Santa Eulalia, Cuahuatlan and Madera. This was done to prevent Francisco Villa from carrying out his threat to destroy American properties and kill American employees unless \$1,000,000 was paid him by March 1.

FLIES INSIDE GRAND CANYON.

Aero Squadron Officer Performs Hazardous Feat in Arizona.

KINGMAN, Ariz., Feb. 26.—Lieut. Chase V. Hugh of the Gulf to the Pacific Aero Squadron performed yesterday the hazardous feat of flying inside the walls of the Grand Canyon of Arizona.

The day was calm and no dangerous air currents were encountered. He did not observe any emergency landing places in the canyon, he reported. The squadron expected to reach Tucson today.

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7 BAFF WITNESSES SET FREE BY COURT

District Attorney Prepares Investigation Into Charges of Perjury Made by Cohen.

Antonio Cardinale, chief witness in the prosecutions connected with the murder of Barnett Hoff, and six other witnesses some of whom have been detained nearly two years, were discharged yesterday on order of Justice Tompkins.

Cardinale was the pivot of the State's case against Joseph Cohen and three other defendants. He was brought here from Italy, where he had fled, and made a "confession" in which he said that he and Appollo Greco had made arrangements for the murder of Hoff. Subsequently Cardinale recanted much that he had "confessed." Harry Goldstein, William Jacobs, Carl Motolsky, Joseph Litwinsky, Charles Dragina and Giuseppe di Benedetto were the other witnesses discharged. Witness fees ranging from \$15 to \$400 were paid them.

Charges recently made that Joseph Cohen, who is now in the death house, was convicted on perjured testimony are being investigated by District Attorney Swann. These charges, according to Mr. Swann, were made by several men who came to his office, one of whom confessed perjury. Mr. Swann referred to these men as a bad and unreliable lot, to none of whom a certificate of veracity could be given.

All the evidence bearing on the alleged perjury is to be submitted to a General Sessions Judge sitting as committing Magistrate as soon as arrangements have been completed. Mr. Swann, when asked why the matter was not brought to the attention of the Grand Jury, said that there are 165 cases yet to be disposed of this month by that body.

INFLUENZA WORSE IN BRITAIN.

Deaths More Than Double in Week in Centres.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—Deaths from influenza increased at an alarming rate last week. In ninety-six great towns of England and Wales they totalled 3,045, compared with 1,363 in the preceding week.

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STRICT INSPECTION COST HIM HIS JOB

Government Worker Testifies in Shoe Fraud Case.

Frank Creodon, formerly a Government inspector of shoes, testified yesterday at the trial of Morris and Leo Rosenwasser for alleged conspiracy to defraud the Government that he was discharged because he refused to give evidence which in his opinion was defective. He was discharged, he said, by Col. Henry Hirsch, who at that time was a Major.

"Major Hirsch said I was temperamentally unfit for the job," said Creodon, "although I am an authority on shoes." On another occasion, Creodon testified, he called Col. Hirsch's attention to some shoes from the Rosenwasser factory, which he said were defective because of creases in the heel due to excess leather. The shoes, he said, were sent back a second time, the creases hidden by gluing them down. "Can't a soldier get his foot into them?" he said Col. Hirsch asked. "Yes," replied Creodon. "Then pass them," said the officer, according to Creodon.

This Creodon said he refused to do, and a few days later his discharge came. Creodon also testified that shortly after he went to work in the Rosenwasser factory he had a talk with Leo Rosenwasser over the quality of the shoes turned out by the plant. He said he told Rosenwasser that the shoes were defective, and Rosenwasser told him that a previous inspector had passed them, so why wouldn't he?

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