

DAUGHERTY DECLARES DEBS GIVEN FREEDOM AS 'AN ACT OF GRACE'

Washington, Dec. 30.—Eugene V. Debs, the socialist leader, was granted his freedom from the Atlanta federal penitentiary on Christmas by President Harding solely as "an act of grace," his violation of the war laws remain unforgotten by the government. This was disclosed tonight by Attorney General Daugherty who made public the text of his recommendations to the President in the Debs case.

"It will be observed," Mr. Daugherty said, "that a pardon was not granted Debs but that his sentence was commuted. The action of the President in no wise condones the offense and the relief was solely an act of grace. The gratitude of Debs will be measured by his conduct in the future."

The administration's theory of action in the Debs case, according to Mr. Daugherty is to be considered as the government policy inclination to other prisoners for Daugherty who made laws, of which class of offenders "probably no better case could be selected," he declared, than that of Debs.

Regarding this class of so-called "political prisoners" as they are termed by those who are demanding their release, Mr. Daugherty said, "there is no real reason why they should be treated differently than any other persons who violate the law aside from the fact that many of them, as well as their friends and associates on the outside, actually believe, and are sincere in their belief that they have violated no just law and were strictly within their constitutional rights in their public utterances which have been found to be in violation of the espionage act."

"Of course, there are others among them who were and are actively, consciously disloyal to our government and who contemplate and intend to disrupt and overthrow our present form of government whenever opportunity presents itself, and are working to that end. As for them nothing need be said. They are past reason and the only argument they can understand is the heavy arm of the law. They have been justly and wisely convicted and must suffer the penalty of their misdeeds."

In reaching his decision regarding Debs, the attorney general reviewed the history of the case quoting copiously from the speech delivered by Debs before the socialist convention at Canton, Ohio, in 1918, pointing out that the constitutionality of Debs

conviction was upheld by the supreme court and asserting that this was the second time Debs has "set up his theories of government against the government itself" . . . referring to the so-called Pullman strike in 1894.

2 MORE ROBBERIES ADDED TO LIST OF SEVEN DURING WEEK

To the series of seven house robberies for the past week were added two more last night. They were within a block of each other on West Adams street and were reported about the same time. And in both cases entrance was made by cutting a screen.

The home of Charles Wallace, 1410 West Adams street, was entered shortly before 9 o'clock last night. When returning to her home about that hour last night, Mrs. Wallace heard the noise of a rear door closing just as she was entering the front door of the house. Knowing that her husband was not home, Mrs. Wallace tried to convince herself the noise was imaginary, but upon switching on the lights she found conclusive proof of the visit of an intruder. Dresser drawers were pulled out and showed signs of having been ransacked and mud was tracked through the house. Several "keepsake" coins and small articles of jewelry were missing.

At the home of Pearl Butler, 1224 West Adams street, the burglar sampled some candy from a box but considerably left the greater part of the contents. He entered through a rear door cutting the screen and operating the lock on the door. A ruby and a sapphire ring were taken, while a valuable diamond stick pin in the same case with the rings was left. This robbery was reported about 9:30 o'clock when Miss Butler arrived at her home to find the front door open and the articles of jewelry missing.

"Failure of victims to prosecute men after we arrest them and gather incriminating evidence against them," is attributed by Chief of Police Brimble as one reason for the epidemic of robberies.

REVIVAL SERVICE AT M. E. CHURCH IS LED BY 'BOOSTER CHOIR'

The opening exercises of the revival service at the First Methodist Episcopal church last evening were given by 30 children composing "The Booster Choir." The children sang several impressive numbers, closing the program by singing in Chinese the chorus of "Bringing in the Sheaves." The children's program will be repeated on next Friday night. The Conner trio gave two special

numbers, "God, Give Us Homes," and "You Must Let Go." The last named song is the most powerful and compelling hymn yet used by the trio here.

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MECCA FOR ALL WHO HAVE FALLEN VICTIM TO TUBERCULOSIS AND VARIOUS OTHER ILLS

Mecca for all who have fallen victim to tuberculosis and various other ills, and they come from all parts of the United States to seek the benefits of this climate. Among these are hosts of former soldiers and sailors who have developed tuberculosis as a result of the hardships endured in service, from having been gassed, and various other ills.

It is thought that perhaps the magnitude of the problem of furnishing proper treatment and facilities for the disabled ex-service men and women now living in Arizona is underestimated by the federal government.

With a view to being able to furnish accurate and authentic information as to the number of disabled ex-service men and women now in this vicinity and their names, addresses and the nature of the disability from which they are suffering, practically all the organizations in this vicinity are co-operating in a drive to secure this information with reference to the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled Veterans of the World War, the Woman's auxiliary, the American Red Cross, the chamber of commerce, the Rotary club and the Kiwanis club.

In order to secure this information there appears at the end of this article a coupon, and it is requested that every disabled ex-service man or woman who sees it fill in the information asked, with reference to the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled Veterans of the World War at Room 202, Masonic building, the chamber of commerce, or any of the organizations above listed.

VERDE EXTENSION NOT TO OPEN UNTIL FREIGHT RATES CUT

The United Verde Extension copper mines will not resume operations until a material reduction in freight rates has been made, according to the emphatic statement of James S. Douglas, owner of the United Verde Extension.

Mr. Douglas was in Phoenix between trains yesterday attending a bankers' meeting. He had not heard anything authentic regarding the opening of the mines at Bisbee, and was inclined to doubt that they will resume work on February 1.

"I cannot tell you when the United Verde Extension will resume operations, because I cannot tell you when the freight rates on copper are going to be reduced," he said. "The two go hand in hand, so far as I am concerned."

Asked whether he thought this reduction would be made within the next month he shook his head doubtfully. "A slight reduction will be made soon, I understand, but it will not be enough to induce us to open the mines. The industries of the state have been the butt for all kinds of laws during the last two years. We've been taxed for roads and what-not until we are tired of it, and something must be done to remedy these conditions before there can be any thought of the normal resumption of work at the mines."

THAT THE RECORDS OF THE LOCAL COMPANIES HAVE BEEN EXAMINED TO SEE HOW MANY MEN, MANY OF THEM EXPERIENCED WHEN THEY JOINED, HAVE BEEN PROMOTED.

Company A who still belong to the 125th infantry, one is now a major, one a captain, one a first lieutenant whose promotion to captain probably will come within a short time, one a second lieutenant, seven are sergeants, and five corporals.

Now that headquarters company is being reorganized there is an unusually good chance of promotion, as that organization is composed principally of non-commissioned officers and specialists, such as signal men, telegraphers, auto mechanics, and so forth.

Further opportunity is offered by the fact that the national guard is not yet fully organized in Arizona, and eventually will be nearly three times stronger than at present, and will include both a regimental and brigade headquarters, probably located in Phoenix. Both of these units will contain a number of commissioned and non-commissioned officers.

Both to the ex-service man who wants to stay in the game, and the younger man who has patriotism enough to want to give his country a small part of his time, receiving valuable training and pay in return for it, there is now open an opportunity to sign up and expect rapid promotion.

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Rosenwald Helps Sears Roebuck In Financial Strress

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Sears Roebuck and company last night reported the sale to Julius Rosenwald, president of the company, of certain of its Chicago real estate for \$18,000,000 and the gift of 900 shares of stock from Mr. Rosenwald, thus permitting the company "to go through this period of readjustment with a small surplus."

NAMES OF DISABLED EX-SERVICE MEN ARE SOUGHT IN CAMPAIGN

A new kind of "drive" is being inaugurated in the Salt River valley. Instead of asking for money the names and addresses of all ex-service men and women who were disabled as a result of their services during the world war, particularly with reference to suffering from tuberculosis, are being sought.

During the recent visit of Marshal Foch to this country, he was presented six awards, worth more than \$10,000. Several are made of gold and studded with diamonds.

The 77th Division has the distinction of advancing the greatest distance against the enemy of any American Division during the World War. This Division made an advance of 71 1/2 kilometers or 44 miles.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE THRIFTY

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Two Leaves Bread 15c, Fresh Creamery Butter 44c, 3 lbs. Ripe Bananas 25c, 3 heads Fancy Lettuce 10c, Fresh Fig Newtons 19c, Jelly Beans 17c, Chocolate Drops 25c, Fresh Bulk Cocoanut 33c.

Government Will Protect Defunct Rome Bank Funds

Rome, Dec. 29.—The closing of the doors of the Banca Italiana Di Sconto yesterday created considerable of a stir in Italian financial circles. The suspension of payments followed an announcement by the government of a modified moratorium pending the withholding of payments by certain corporations.

The Stefani Agency says that the Italian government has taken steps to guarantee the creditors of the bank against losses and eventually to place the bank in a more favorable position.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A dispatch from Rome to the Central News Agency says a syndicate of banks there has collected \$80,000,000 lire to restore the Banca Italiana Di Sconto. The dispatch adds that El Epoca announces that an agreement has been reported with the current creditors of the bank.

Specials for Today

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Washington Apples—Stayman \$3.40, Winesap, per box \$3.25, Hood River Apples, Per box 25c, Brown Onions, 4 lbs. for (4-lb. limit to customer) 25c, Mountain Cabbage, Per lb. (Limit 6 lbs. to customer) 4c, Tangerines, 2 lbs. for 25c, Fresh Strawberries, Per basket 40c, Bananas, 3 lbs. for 25c, Large Head Lettuce 5c, Fresh Mexican Tomatoes, 2 lbs. for 35c.

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