

POET ASKS TIME TO EVACUATE NON-FRANKMANS

AMERICAN NAVY EQUIPPED WITH FOUR NEW TYPES OF SHIPS

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MINNESOTA IS WETTEST STATE, SAY OFFICIALS

Liquor Taxes, Penalties Total Two Millions in Five Years.

Minneapolis, Dec. 25.—Federal prohibition agents have seized 30,445 gallons of liquor valued at \$70,941 by government estimates in the five states of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Nebraska during the eight months from April 1 to November 30.

The number of violations, which have been reported to the district attorneys in the various states as a result of the activities of federal agents, are 381 and the number of seizures of liquor 968, the value of the liquor, probably, would be increased if it were sold illegally, Mr. Keller declared.

Minnesota is "wetter" than Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota and Nebraska combined, according to Mr. Keller's figures. Four-fifths of the entire amount of liquor taken, or 24,955 gallons, have been seized in Minnesota. The value of this liquor is placed at \$64,042 of the total amount. A total of \$1,376,956 has been assessed in taxes and penalties in this state.

Federal prohibition agents have confiscated 55 automobiles during the eight months, of which 46 were taken in Minnesota, six in Iowa, two in South Dakota and one in North Dakota.

YANKS NOT TO QUIT RHINE NOW DECLARES ALLEN, COMMANDING

American General Quotes Letter From Colby in Denying Withdrawal.

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Paris, Dec. 25.—General Allen, commander of the American army of occupation on the Rhine, in an interview with a correspondent of Le Petit Parisien, declared there was no truth in the report that the American army was about to be withdrawn from Germany.

General Allen stated he had just received a letter from Secretary of State Colby saying there was no intention at present of taking home the American troops. General Allen paid high tribute to General Dugoutte, commander of the French army of occupation, for his moderation in the treatment of the inhabitants of that part of Germany under French control.

"I received a letter from the secretary of state recently," said General Allen. "He wrote that the withdrawal of the American army was not being considered, at least for the present. Of course, I cannot speak for the future. After all it is a matter rather than a political question, but of course we have every confidence that Mr. Harding, after his inauguration, will do whatever is best for the general interests. The president will consult on all things with the ablest men, one of whom, Senator Mc Cormick, I expect to see at my headquarters soon."

Commenting on the American army's attitude toward the conquered inhabitants, General Allen said: "We Americans have always endeavored to make the burden of our occupation as light as possible on the Germans. I can say the same thing of General Dugoutte and Mr. Tirard, for I have seen the moderation they exercised and I can give them this praise because they merit it."

Wife Refuses to Talk of Husband's Shooting; Charged With Assault

Special to The Daily Tribune. Cut Bank, Dec. 25.—After repeated and futile efforts upon the part of Glacier county officials to get a statement from Mrs. Ralph Burgess which would throw some light upon the shooting of her husband last Monday, County Attorney Wiley J. Shannon has filed a complaint charging her with first degree assault. She was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Murphy, on Friday, and entered a plea, not guilty. She was admitted to bail in the sum of \$2,000, which she furnished.

A report from Conrad where Burgess is under treatment in a hospital is to the effect that he is improving. Nothing bearing upon the cause of the shooting has developed and as far as is known no one other than Mrs. Burgess was with Burgess at the time of the shooting.

High Speed and Cruising Radius Characteristics of New Battleships Under Construction.

Aircraft Carrier Outfitted With 15 Hangars, Huge Landing Deck on Converted Collier.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Among the 140 vessels under construction for the navy are four types new to the American battle fleet, but long in use by other principal maritime powers. They are the battle cruiser, of which six are being built; the scout or light cruiser; the aeroplane carrier and the fleet submarine.

The battle cruisers will be of great speed, light armor, long cruising radius, and strong offensive armament. The ships being designed primarily for ranging work ahead of the main body and for action at long range against vessels of their own class. They are to have a speed of slightly more than 33 knots (about 40 miles) an hour, and will carry eight 16 inch guns mounted two in a turret.

The ten light cruisers also will function as scout cruisers. They will have a speed of 33.7 knots and will carry an exceptionally heavy armament for vessels of their class, mounting 12 six inch guns. They are designed to develop 90,000 horsepower, half that of the battle cruisers.

One of the most interesting of the new types is the aircraft carrier Langley, formerly the collier Jupiter. This vessel is being built along the line of the general board's policy that aircraft carriers should be combatant vessels whose speed and other characteristics will permit of their use with the fleet at sea. The Langley will carry in the neighborhood of 15 planes. The ship's flying deck will consist of a huge platform, 56 feet above the water line, extending from bow to stern, a distance of about 525 feet and with an amidships width of 65 feet. The planes will be housed below on the hangar deck in elevators. Catapults will be provided on the flying deck to project the planes into the air and give them the necessary momentum for a start. Arresting devices will be rigged on the flying deck to permit landing directly on the deck while the Langley is under way while huge cranes will also be installed to pick planes out of the water.

Wing Repairing Shop Facilities for repairs will include a completely equipped machine shop, wing repairing shop, molding spaces, a metal shop and various storerooms. An ingenious method for providing smoke pipes without breaking the flying deck area is devised for the Langley. The ship will have two smoke funnels, one on each side, clear of the flying deck and inter-connected so that the smoke always be discharged on the lee side and thus not interfere with the landing or discharge of aircraft.

The fleet submarines building number six. Six others authorized have not yet been contracted for. Their principal characteristic will be a long cruising radius, enabling them to accompany the fleets under practically all conditions.

Ex-Empress Suffers New Attack of Malady Halting Yule Fete

Doorn, Holland, Dec. 25.—The Christmas celebration at the house of Doorn Saturday night was interrupted by the serious condition of the former German empress, who suffered a new attack of her malady, and the emperor had to excuse himself to go to her bedside.

On Christmas morning there was a distribution of gifts to the staff and to a few of the country gentry who were guests at the house. One of the gifts was a painting said to represent the "Fraternity of Nations," which was presented to Count von Bentinck.

JAPANESE NAVAL BUDGET AMOUNTS TO 498 MILLION

Tokio, Dec. 24.—The budget for the coming year was presented at preliminary meetings in the house of peers Saturday. The naval appropriations amounted to 498 million yen.

Land of Stars and Stripes Diffuses Only Light Seen in Night Covering Germany

Frankfort, Germany, Dec. 25.—Dr. Walter Simon, the German foreign minister, in an article in the Frankfort Zeitung, says that in the night which covers Germany, he sees only one ray of light and that "comes from the land of the Stars and Stripes." He expresses the belief that Senator Harding will "not delay the establishment of a peace basis between Germany and America," and thinks

TAX FAVORITISM IS FLAYED BY EXEMPT CRITICS

National Association Committee Condemns Any Further Extensions

Personal Tax in Proportion to Income Derived, Is Advocated.

New York, Dec. 25.—Privilege or favoritism in taxation is condemned in a report to the National Tax association by its special committee on taxation which was made public Saturday night, urging revision of the present tax exemption laws.

The committee condemns specifically: "Under the property tax, any further extension of exemption of the type of those granted on household furniture, tools, farm machinery, and the like, or of the type of exemptions granted to industries or commercial enterprises. It states the further exemption of any class of persons or kinds of income on account of the income source or character. An income tax should be a personal tax on every person in proportion to the income he enjoys from any source whatsoever."

Declaring there is "not the least ground for exemption of interests" on farm loan bonds, war finance bonds and dividends of the federal reserve bank, the report recommends that the issuance of such tax free bonds be stopped.

PROHIBITION AGENT SLAIN; RELATIVE OF SECRETARY TIMULTY

Suicide Theory of Bayonne Police Scouted; Washington Orders Probe.

Bayonne, N. J., Dec. 25.—J. F. McGuinness, whose body was found in Newark bay Friday with a bullet hole through his head, committed suicide, police here stated Saturday night. The family of the dead man, who was a prohibition enforcement officer, believe that he was murdered.

Washington, Dec. 25.—The bureau of investigation of the department of justice, under instructions of Attorney General Palmer Saturday night began investigating the death of James F. McGuinness, a prohibition enforcement officer at Bayonne, N. J., Friday. Special agents will be sent to New Jersey to cooperate with the local officials. The action was taken upon request of Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to President Wilson, who is a cousin of Mrs. McGuinness. Mr. Tumulty, according to an announcement, also urged an investigation in messages to chiefs of police, county prosecutors and department of justice agents.

"I am certain from the information now at hand," the telegram said, "that McGuinness met with foul play. Every fact of his home life negatives any other idea."

Three Asphyxiated by Coal Gas After Big Christmas Dinner

St. Paul, Dec. 25.—Three persons were asphyxiated by coal gas in their homes here today after they had finished their Christmas dinner. Their bodies were discovered by a relative who had come to extend Christmas greetings. The dead: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Higbergren, each 66 years of age, and Miss Betty Armstrong, 68, sister of Mrs. Higbergren.

GOVERNOR TAKES JAZZ BAND TO VISIT VETS

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 25.—Accompanied by a jazz band and a couple of singers and dancers, Governor and Mrs. Thomas E. Campbell spent Christmas afternoon carrying brightness and good cheer to invalid former service men in local hospitals.

QUAKERS CHEER YOUNG

Berlin, Dec. 25.—United States Senator Medill McCormick entertained several hundred war orphans at an old fashioned Christmas dinner Saturday afternoon and presented the children with candy, toys, and warm clothing. The entertainment was arranged by the Quakers.

Revolt Spirit in France Is on Increase

Socialists Favor Affiliation With Third Internationale, 3 to 1; Revolutionary Temper Pervades Peasants.

Tours, France, Dec. 25.—What was termed the strong increase in the revolutionary temper of the French people and preliminary indications that the French socialists favor affiliation with the third (Moscow) internationale, by three to one, were the outstanding features of the reports read at the first session of the French socialist party congress Saturday. A significant phase of the report was the statement that the socialist and revolutionary spirit has gained great strength in the agricultural districts of France.

The congress opened Saturday morning with 350 delegates representing 80,000 members. It was decided to take up immediately the question of joining the Moscow internationale, although this question was last on the program. The delegates will vote by mandate, having received their instructions from their constituents.

Opposition to the parliamentary group, which is composed of 60 socialist members of the chamber, continue to grow and it appears certain the party will be split when final action on the motion to accept unconditionally adhesion to the third internationale comes up. The delegates attributed the increase in the revolutionary spirit to the general disturbed conditions, world wide unrest and discontent with things as they are.

"Wets" Are in Dutch; "Drys" Boost Spirit Tax Revenue 150 Per Cent

The Hague, Dec. 25.—The "dry" forces Saturday succeeded in putting through the Dutch parliament after a hard fight a law increasing the international revenue tax on spirits 150 per cent, and on beer, 100 per cent and on wine, 50 per cent. The effect of the increase, according to the drys, will be to make spirits practically prohibitive for the poor.

Warn Undesirables Both Black and White to Lay Off Loafing

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 25.—White robed figures paraded Saturday night and scattered circulars which read: "Warning—Undesirable, both black and white; we are after you. We know you; take warning; this loafing, thieving, and prowling around has got to stop. 'Ku Klux'."

MAXIMILIAN HARDEN INQUIRES IF KAISER HELPED WAR LOAN

Chicago, Dec. 25.—Announcement that he would introduce a plan at Wednesday's city council meeting to make immediate promotion the reward for every patrolman or sergeant who kills a burglar or holdup man in the act of committing a crime, was made Saturday night by Alderman Kostar. "I believe it is what the force needs," he said, "although it may seem a little cold blooded. Chief Fitzmorris has given it his approval. That some incentive is needed to quicken the trigger fingers of the police force is proved by events of the last few weeks," he said. "Three policemen were shot and killed in that period."

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German Editor Asks if Wilhelm Subscribed Out of His Enormous Wealth.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—"How many millions of the German war loan did Wilhelm, the late kaiser and king, the owner of coal and newspaper property, over a billion marks (normally \$250,000,000) in value, subscribe and pay for?" The irrepressible Maximilian Harden asks this timely question and adds: "Three years ago a business man made this inquiry at the Reichsbank, suggesting that surely such a large sum would make a useful popular impression if devoted to the country's needs. The inquirer was reprimanded by the officials of the Reichsbank, who said, 'That is His Majesty's business and concerns neither you nor any one else.' Another uncomfortable question that Harden asks is, 'What Prussian ministers of yesterday or today are responsible and therefore liable to prosecution for the fact that before the conclusion of the agreement as to his property rights there were handed out to the despot, Field-Marshal, Wilhelm von Hoffenloer, 53,000,000 marks in cash, perhaps even wholly or in part in gold, silverware of a probable selling value of 100,000,000 marks and large quantities of costly, gems, carpets and so on?'"

"And what persons, officials of the empire and merchants of the republic, are responsible for these illegal acts as agents, aiders or abettors, and therefore to be made financially liable?"

B. C. PUBLISHER NAMED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Ottawa, Dec. 25.—The appointment of Walter C. Nichol, proprietor of the Vancouver Province, as lieutenant governor of British Columbia, was officially announced tonight at the office of the prime minister. Mr. Nichol succeeds the late Lieutenant Governor E. G. Prior.

SANTA WINGS CHEER TO U.S. HERO WOUNDED

Hospital Cases Are Provided With Gifts by American Red Cross.

Disarmament Demonstration Conducted by Women's Peace Society

Washington, Dec. 24.—Santa Claus, because of lack of snow discarded his traditional sleigh and reindeer today and arrived here by aeroplane. Escorted by two other planes, each bearing gifts, he arrived at the Polo grounds and assisted by soldiers distributed toys to hundreds of children who had gathered in anticipation of his coming. It was said that he had obtained a loan of the aircraft from the war department.

Wounded and disabled service men at the Walter Reid hospital were remembered by the Red Cross who provided them with gifts and an entertainment of vaudeville and motion pictures. The presents were distributed from a number of huge Christmas trees.

A demonstration of disarmament was conducted by the Women's Peace society at the Franklin monument late Saturday, the principal address being delivered by Mrs. Robert M. LaFollette, wife of the senator from Wisconsin. "It is not for the restoration of the weapons of war or any of the insignia of military power," Mrs. LaFollette said. "That the women of Germany are appealing to the mercy of the allies. No, they are only asking that their milk cows, on which they depend to save the lives of their starving children, be not taken from them."

Sympathy of World. "And in their heartrending appeal they have the sympathy of the sisterhood of the world. There is the elemental cry that moves women to action. We women want the starving fed, the blockades lifted, trade restored, friendship renewed, mutual forgiveness, peace and good will on earth again."

Mrs. LaFollette declared that the women would vote to defeat senators and congressmen who stand "for war and militarism."

TO OFFER PROMOTION FOR COP WHO KILLS HOLD-UP IN CHICAGO

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Pope as Predecessors Celebrates Masses in Pauline Chapel

Rome, Dec. 24.—The pope, re-establishing the traditions of his predecessors, celebrated three midnight masses in the Pauline chapel, which was decorated with flowers and glittering with candles. All the members of the ecclesiastical and lay court were present together with the entire personnel of the apostolic palace and a limited number of distinguished guests.

Menikas Duncan, Wearing Greek Costume, Reported Missing by His Father

N. Y. World—Great Falls Tribune Cable, Copyright 1920, by The Press Publishing Co. (The New York World). Special Wireless Despatch to the World. Paris, Dec. 19.—Raymond Duncan, brother of Isadora Duncan, the dancer, has asked the Paris police to find his fifteen-year-old son, Menikas Duncan, who disappeared recently. The extraordinary part of his disappearance is that the boy left his home attired in ancient Greek costume, consisting of an embroidered chlamys, a short mantle and with his long hair bound with a fillet. He wore sandals.

BESIEGED TOWNS FEEL SCARCITY OF FOODSTUFFS

D'Annunzio Displaying Great Nervous Activity in His Defence Work, and Imparting Orders.

Citizens' Morale Is Low Owing to Limited Supply of Food Rations in Storage for 52,000.

Venice, Dec. 25.—An extension of time has been asked by d'Annunzio for the purpose of evacuating persons residing at Fiume, but not belonging to that city. An airplane of d'Annunzio's forces has been captured, while making a forced landing near Susak.

Americans Leave City. Among the Americans who left Fiume since the declaration of a state of war, was Russell Corryell, a Los Angeles business man. D'Annunzio signed a special permit for him, writing across the passport: "He leaves Fiume forever to return to his own country."

The post has placed the defense of Fiume under Captain Hostventuri. Trieste, Dec. 25.—(By the Associated Press).—Fiume, Arbe, Veglia, and San Marco, under blockade by the Italian fleet, are already beginning to feel the scarcity of food. The greater part of Gabriele d'Annunzio's troops are remaining in their barracks at Fiume and their officers are in direct communication with the post. Immediately after official notice of the blockade was given to the "regency of Quarnero" the Italian general, Ferrero, closed in upon the city, barring all exits on their sides. For about 100 yards out of the city the railway tracks were removed.

Fantastic Prices Reign. The blockade has caused a great increase in the price of all necessities, some of which have reached fantastic sums. Meat is a food of extraordinary luxury. Regular troops surround the blockade line in short intervals. Royal guards and carabinieri hold the sea line while Alpine troops dominate the city from the northeastern heights. What is considered the most dangerous spot, however, is the mouth of the river Reolina.

D'Annunzio, according to information leaking out of Fiume, is virtually taking no rest and is displaying great nervous activity in the work of defence. He is imparting orders, giving advice, writing proclamations and reciting aloud. Post Highly Indignant. The post-commander is highly indignant about some of the conditions in general Cavaglia's ultimatum, especially that pertaining to the disembarkment of his troops. He considers it outrageous to the independence of the regency, which he declares had a right to form an army for its own defense, even with foreign subjects, as France and Holland have done in the case of their foreign legions.

Since the blockade was instituted nobody has been able to enter Fiume. Many have been obliged to turn back, some of them being parents desirous of entering the city so that they might persuade their sons to return to the regular army and cease in assisting in plans contrary to law.

The number of persons requiring to be fed in Fiume is 52,000, while the regency is believed to have accumulated rations only sufficient for 36,000 for two weeks. This has contributed greatly to the depression of the citizens who are reluctant to endure privations and suffering even to insure independence.

Rothschilds Plan Loan to Chile Republic for Public Improvements

Santiago, Chile, Dec. 25.—It is announced that the Rothschilds of London have offered a loan to Chile to be devoted to public improvements and the new railway project between Santiago and Valparaiso. The offer is said to have been made through the Chilean charge d'affaires at London. No details are given.

Medford Woman Slain in Peculiar Motor Accident

Medford, Ore., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Luke Jennings, 35, of Medford, a sister of Milton A. Miller, internal revenue collector, Portland, Ore., was killed in an automobile accident on the Pacific highway near here Christmas eve. She was standing behind a car with Mrs. W. H. Evans, of Ashland, Ore., when a taxi cab driven by W. L. Dewitt of Ashland crashed into them. Two cars had gone into the ditch previously and the two women were waiting for their husbands, who were aiding in getting the ditched cars back on the road. Coroner John L. Perl, who was an eye witness of the tragedy, will call an inquest Monday to fix the blame.

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NOTORIOUS GANG BREAKS JAIL AT FORT MADISON

Bank Robbers, Slayers Escape During Xmas Celebration.

Fort Madison, Ia., Dec. 25.—James O'Keefe, James Lane, James Cullen and Harry Smith, four members of a gang committed to the state prison here from Lemars, escaped Saturday morning during Christmas ceremonies. Posses searched for the men all day and were still out tonight. Because of a heavy snowstorm, the fugitives are not thought to have covered much ground.

SIoux CITY, Ia., Dec. 25.—James O'Keefe and Harry Smith, two of the convicts who escaped from the Iowa prison at Fort Madison, Ia., Saturday, were members of a band of four bank robbers who looted a bank at Westfield, Ia., a little town near here, a year ago. They were captured by Sioux City police while trying to get into Sioux City with their loot and taken to the Lemars jail.

While in jail four robbers shot their way to liberty, killing the son of Sheriff Maxwell. They were recaptured by a posse a few days later, entered a plea of guilty of murder and all four were given life sentences.

QUITS MONASTERY AFTER 20 YEARS TO WED OLD LOVE

James Cornell Biddle, Monk, Marries Mary Lena Gaines, of Virginia.

Washington, Dec. 25.—After 20 years as a Trappist monk, James Cornell Biddle was married here recently to Miss Mary Lena Gaines of Warrenton, Va. Biddle, who is 52 years old, is the son of the late Thomas Biddle, Philadelphia, who died while serving as minister of Ecuador. Miss Gaines comes from a prominent Virginia family.

The bridegroom entered the priesthood at the age of 30 years, shortly after his course at the University of Pennsylvania. About two years ago, according to Biddle, he left the Gettysburg abbey in Kentucky and returned to civil life, his act having communicated him from the church because it involved renouncing his priestly vows.

He was married here by the Rev. Halton Griffith, chaplain of the Soldiers' home. "I am absolutely at peace with my conscience," Biddle said, "and I have come to agree with St. Paul that celibacy is a matter of option. I do not consider my priestly vows now as now binding upon me because I have come to take the Protestant view."

Biddle and his wife probably will live at the Gaines estate "paradise," near Warrenton.

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