

WE'LL FIGHT TO THE VICTORY, AND BOAST OF KING LEOPOLD

STERDAM, Jan. 8.—"We must until the enemy accepts our conditions," declared King Leopold of Belgium in a speech delivered on the occasion of a celebration of his birth-dispatches received here today.

"We must recognize one principle, and that is, we must know neither sentiment nor consideration of humanity," said General von in a speech before the conservative congress, in which he declared any must have Courland, Beland northern France.

MAN PAPERS FIND LLOYD GEORGE WAR AIMS UNACCEPTABLE

STERDAM, Jan. 8.—German papers in further editorial comment received here today find nothing stable to the central powers in speech of Lloyd George delivered today.

WH PRESIDENT HOUSE AND CONGRATULATIONS TO LLOYD GEORGE ON SPEECH

NDON, Jan. 8.—Both President Wilson and Col. E. M. House, head of the American mission to Europe, have cablegrams congratulating Lloyd George upon his great war speech.

GERMANY NOW AIMS TO MAKE PEACE WITH UKRAINE AND FINLAND

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 8.—The German peace envoys at Brest Litovsk now concentrating their attention

TO REMOVE DANDRUFF

Let a small bottle of Danderrine any drug and rub it on your hands and rub well to the scalp with the finger tips. By morning most of this awful scurf will have disappeared. Two or three applications will destroy every bit of dandruff; stop scalp itching, and bring hair.

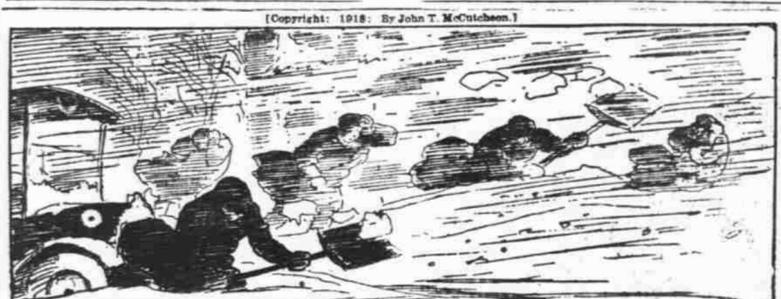
Child Gets Sick Cross, Feverish If Constipated

Look at tongue! Then give fruit laxative for stomach, liver, bowels.

California Syrup of Figs can't harm children and they love it.

Laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply don't take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver is sluggish, stomach sour, look at the tongue, mother! If can't eat heartily, full of cold or sore throat or any other child's ailment, give a teaspoonful of California Syrup of Figs. Then don't worry, because it is perfectly safe and in a few hours all constipation, sour bile, fermenting waste will gently sweep out of the bowels, and you'll have a well-playful child again. Although "inside cleansing" is often said, that gives no relief. It is the first treatment given by a doctor. Beware of counterfeit fig syrups, your druggist for a bottle of California Syrup of Figs, which full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups is fully printed on the bottle. Look at the label and see that it is made by the California Fig Syrup Company.

WHY THE RECENT FRIGHTFUL WEATHER?



IS IT MEANT TO HARDEN THE NATION FOR THE SEVERE SERVICE AHEAD?



OR DOES IT INDICATE THAT WINTER HAS BECOME AN APOSTLE OF FRIGHTFULNESS?



OR DOES IT MEAN THAT A GERMAN SPY IS ATTACHED TO THE WEATHER BUREAU?

tions upon Ukraine, hoping to force the Bolshevik government at Petrograd to accept their terms by effecting a separate agreement with the Ukrainian government, according to information received here today from Warsaw.

The recognition by Germany of Finland as a separate state is expected to be the forerunner of an attempt by Germany to negotiate a separate peace with the Finnish government.

FOE TERMS FOR REMOVAL OF WHITE SEA BLOCKADE REFUSED BY RUSSIA

PETROGRAD, Jan. 8.—Russia's admiralty has refused to ratify the agreement for removal of the blockade in the White Sea. The German conditions were declared unacceptable.

Before his departure for Brest-Litovsk, Foreign Minister Trotsky held a long conference with Count von Mirbach, German envoy in Petrograd, concerning Turkey's terms for exchange of prisoners.

REPUBLIC OF UKRAINE MAY BE RECOGNIZED BY FRENCH GOVERNMENT

PARIS, Jan. 8.—What is accepted as a move on the part of France to recognize all stable governments in Russia whose co-operation will insure peace for the Russian people is the announcement here today that recognition will be given the new republic of Ukraine. France has already recognized the new government of Finland.

It is unofficially reported that fourteen provinces of Russia have taken steps to declare their independence and set up their own government. Through this course considerable Russian territory may ultimately gain the support of the allies.

BREAK BETWEEN BOLSHEVIK AND GERMAN ENVOYS ONLY JOKE, SAYS PARIS PAPER

PARIS, Jan. 8.—The break between the Bolshevik and German peace envoys at Brest-Litovsk was only a farce, and the negotiations for a separate peace will be renewed, according to a dispatch printed by the Socialist newspaper Liberte today.

The source of the information was not given.

GERMAN LIBERALS UNITED FOR FIRST TIME; DARE THEY ACT, IS THE BIG QUESTION

LONDON, Jan. 8.—Whether Germany's liberals, now for the first time reported united in opposition to the German government, will do anything more than criticize autocracy's scheme of annexation concealed in the Russo-German peace negotiations, was the subject of widest speculation here today.

Proceedings at the main Reichstag committee meetings of the past few days, as passed by the German censors, show that for once Majority Socialist Leader Scheidemann and Minority Socialist Leader Haase are together in denouncing the government.

Maximilian Harden, too, is fulminating thunderous criticism for the Brest-Litovsk "concessions" announced by Germany. If the Scheidemann group of near-liberals joins completely with the radicals the government majority in the Reichstag

will be seriously menaced. Dispatches from Berlin by way of Holland today indicated that a movement to this end directed against Foreign Minister von Kuehlmann was definitely under way.

Observers here held that the Bolshevik government had accomplished at least one remarkable thing in the separate peace endeavors—and that was it had apparently inspired the German liberals to a more fearless policy of opposition to the government.

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A BLIND EYE NO OBSTACLE TO THIS MAN'S PATRIOTISM

If there be any who doubt the patriotic state of mind prevailing in Wisconsin, they have but to read the following letter given to The Times by an army officer, who had just received it. It shows with admirable directness the attitude of millions of Americans:

La Valle, Wis., 12-12-17. United States Patriotic Service Bureau: Will you please inform me if there is any way for me to enlist or get in United States service. My father and grandfather were soldiers in the Civil War. I am thirty-nine years of age, and am well and able-bodied, but have only one eye. I am blind in my right eye, but I am pretty handy with horses, and I am good around sick or wounded. I have good nerves. I would like to do my bit some way, if there is any show. I am a native born, and I am depending on me. Now, if there is any show for me please write and let me know what to do. Yours truly, W. B. ALLEN, La Valle, Wis. Care of Chet Clark.

Congress What It Did Yesterday

Opening of the Great Fight on Railroad Control—Ultimatum of Railroads on Compensation—It Must Be Acceptable to Them or They Will Fight in the Courts—"Live Wire" Patriotism and Coal Prices—Shoddy—Woman Suffrage—Coal, Gas, Oil, and Water Power—The President Intervenes.

The issue of railroad control was defined yesterday clearly enough to show that it means a radical fight in this Congress and afterward. The railroads will fight. They will fight as a unit. They will not fight Government control or "possession." If possession is intended, hereafter to mean actual ownership, the fight they have now opened involves no open stand now against either "ownership" or possession.

They take the ground that the Government is in possession and that their boards of directors and managers are ousted from control, and no longer responsible for results except as they must answer to the President and his representatives.

The direct issue will be on the question of compensation. As a result, the railroads demand that this compensation must be through agreement, satisfactory to them, or else it must be decided by the courts. This, if it is substituted for possession and control. They will not fight or oppose any method of operation though necessary "to win the war." Beyond "winning the war" they mean to go to their own full length in demanding a settlement of their claims fully satisfactory to themselves.

Before the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce yesterday Judge Alfred P. Thom spoke as general counsel for the Railroad War Board committee. Representing the railroads as a unit, he spoke with dignity and restraint, but made no effort to disguise their feelings of displeasure. They are ready, he said, for "sacrifices which can be legitimately required." He emphasized "legitimacy." As the President himself, in his last message to Congress, made a special point against "unjust injury," the railroads may now be understood as making their point against "unlawful illegality."

Ready for "legitimate sacrifices," and pledging themselves to patriotism in the broadest sense, Judge Thom spoke for them, as involved in "the most monumental financial transaction that has occurred in the history of mankind." They expect to be compensated accordingly.

They will oppose the three-year agreement for use at a rate to be decided by their earnings at the time possession was taken, or as near as possible to that time. They will oppose the thirteenth section of the bill, under which control is made permanent unless the bill is repealed or amended after the war. Senators Watson and Gallinger introduced amendments to section 13 yesterday.

As the railroads demand a settlement by consent, agreeable to them, they ask a "tribunal" of some kind, before resorting to the courts. This is forecast as a Senate commission, or a commission provided by joint resolution with powers of arbitration, under the theory that Congress has not the judicial power to fix compensation compulsorily. This is held to be exclusively a judicial power, and Supreme Court decisions are cited in support of that theory.

The open hearings of the House Committee on Interstate Commerce invite the views of both sides after their beginning at 10 o'clock this morning. One of the questions to be thrashed out is of how far executive power to invest in new securities might be stretched to "refund" the entire outstanding bonded indebtedness, substituting Government bonds, or their equivalent, for all existing railroad "securities." There are scores of others. The greatest fight

ENCKE'S COMET, WHICH HERALDED WAR, RETURNING

Just about three and a third years ago, a famous comet appeared within our solar system, interesting for its history and the great names identified with it. At about that time the world was electrified by the news of a world conflict.

Today that same comet is reappearing, and talk of peace is in the air. Governments are telling the world through their representatives what their aims and objects in the war are—all for the benefit of the enemy countries.

Encke's Comet. The comet is Encke's, named after the German scientist, Johann Franz Encke. Encke's comet is supposed to have appeared, among many other times, about the time of Julius Caesar's death (B. C. 44), and furnished Halley with the opportunity to prove that comets revolve around the sun in conic sections and are controlled by the same forces that control planets. It is named after Encke because this astronomer determined its orbit. Backlund later discovered that its speed was slightly accelerated at each revolution, and that there must be some revealing medium in our solar system.

"Encke's comet," said Prof. A. Hall, of the United States Naval Observatory, "will be nearest the sun on March 25 of this year. We will watch it with great interest because of the theory that it carries a resisting medium with it as outlined by Encke upon its discovery in 1819 by Pons. Its last appearance was in September, 1914. Many of the large observatories probably will photograph it. It is a very famous body."

Encke's comet, said Prof. Hall, appears about every three and a half years, and since the original determination of its orbit by Encke, in 1819, it has appeared and been noted by astronomers who followed Encke's calculations. It is supposed that the famous comet of 1786, Encke's comet, as to the orbit was that this comet appeared in 1786, 1795, and 1805, and that it would appear again in 1822. His figures proved to be correct to within a few hours.

The comet cannot be seen with the naked eye unless under very exceptional circumstances, according to Prof. Hall, and was first seen on December 30, 1845, in right ascension 22 hours, 59 minutes, 33 seconds; declination south 3 degrees 17 minutes and 53 seconds.

Washington police today were unable to furnish any information as to William Warren Ball, arrested charged with being a "dope" fiend in Baltimore and in jail in that city today in default of a \$5,000 bond. He is a Baltimore police officer who was from Washington, but the police here know nothing of him.

An Organized Campaign. Ball was caught in the police dragnet of Baltimore yesterday. An organized campaign to enforce the Harrison anti-narcotic act is on in that city and a number of arrests have been made.

The police took from Ball thirty grains of morphine, a hyperemic needle and the regulation "dope" outfit.

Ball today was pleading for "just one shot" and the Baltimore police have called in a physician to prescribe for him, since, they say, his condition is pitiable.

Nervous and physical wrecks, by their own admission, three "dope" fiends were arrested by Policemen of Baltimore. The plight of the men is a typical example of police officials, who are determined to stop physicians prescribing morphine, heroin, cocaine and strychnine to "drug addicts." The Federal authorities will also be asked to investigate and arrest physicians guilty of violating the Harrison drug act. It permits physicians to prescribe drugs of the narcotic type, by reduction methods, but it is stated that four or five physicians in Baltimore are doing a "land office" business selling prescriptions to "dope" users.

JUST GETS HIS NAME IN. Joe Engel, the Washington boy purchased from Buffalo by the Cincinnati Reds last season, just managed to get his name into the 1917 record. He got one trial, being defeated by the Pirates, 5 to 0. That was the only time Christy Mathewson dared to use him in a regular contest.

Senator Sherman yesterday filed for record and publication a complete report of the East St. Louis massacre and the proceedings of Illinois against the criminals. It was made by Edward J. Brandage, attorney general of Illinois. The records that in addition to the thirty-five bodies of unidentified negroes reported through the coroner's investigation, negroes were burned in their houses after being driven back into them. The number of houses thus burned is stated as "over 250." No one will know how many men, women, and children were burned in those 250 houses. The record is of incredible but actual atrocity, showing the meaning of what Herbert Spencer called the "recrudescence of barbarism" wherever it develops.

After listening to Mr. Medill McCormick on the war in Europe, the House was dispersed yesterday by insistence on the point of "no quorum." Except in listening to Mr. McCormick, it did nothing worth while.

WON'T MISS ALLEN MUCH. The Boston Braves are not likely to miss Frank Allen much in 1918. Allen has announced his retirement. Last season he appeared in twenty-nine games, pitched two complete contests, and is credited with but three out of fourteen victories. An average of 3.94 runs per game was made off his twirling.

PALESTINE TAKEN AS PROPHESED IN BIBLE, SAYS BILLY

"The restoration of Palestine to the Jews as a nation is a fulfillment of prophecy, I believe," Billy Sunday told a Times reporter at his home in Wisconsin after his morning sermon.

"The test of a prophecy in the Bible is the fulfillment thereof, and while I cannot say for certain that the restoration of Palestine was prophesied by the Bible, still it may fulfill a prophecy."

"I am not sure that the war was prophesied by the Bible. The nearest to a prophecy that I can find in the Bible forecasting the war is in the Book of Matthew—'There shall be wars and rumors of war, and nations of men shall rise against each other. This is the most horrible time that has ever passed through. It may be the preparation for a greater and more beautiful existence, but there is no prophecy in the Bible that I know of which reveals these things.'"

"I believe that the restoration of Palestine to the Jews was made in the only way that it could have been—by shot and shell. That dirty, low-down, thieving, sneaking bunch of cutthroat Turks would never have restored Palestine to the Jews of their own free will. It is a wonderful thing for them as a nation. Originally it was their country. It has been taken away from them and now they are to receive it again."

"I am glad."

NEW BUREAU WILL HANDLE NATIONAL LABOR PROBLEM

A new division was created in the Department of Labor today to have supervision of the national labor problem, involving mobilization of 3,000,000 skilled workers for the ship and munition plants of the country.

The new organization is an expansion of the United States Employment Service, which has heretofore been under the immigration service.

John B. Denmore, solicitor of the department, has been appointed national labor director to head the new organization. Robert Watson, Federal chief clerk of the department, has been appointed assistant director in charge of administrative work. Charles T. Clayton is assistant director for supervision of the field organizations.

The United States Public Service Reserve and the Boys' Working Groups were held as part of the new division. Support of Samuel Gompers and the international officers of the big trade unions have been pledged to the new organization.

MIDDLE WEST DIGGING ITSELF OUT OF SNOW

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—The middle west was digging itself out today. Railroads were gradually working back to normal schedules, interurban and street car lines were beginning to operate, and business was freshening its usual trend following the heaviest snow storm in the history of this section.

City officials estimated that the blizzard cost Chicago alone about \$2,615,000, including loss of business to merchants and transportation companies.

Twelve ski jumpers, marooned at Cary, Ill., where they were practicing for the championships late this month, slid the thirty-five miles to Chicago on runners.

SPANISH ECONOMIC CRISIS BRINGS REVOLT

PARIS, Jan. 8.—Spain is passing through another economic crisis which is resulting in a distinct revolutionary movement, according to dispatches printed by the Matin today.

Establishment of martial law through out the monarchy is being considered.

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