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SERIOUS STRIKES IN GERMANY SPREAD THROUGHOUT EMPIRE

TWO AMERICANS ARE KILLED AND SEVERAL CAPTURED BY ENEMY

Casualties Occurred on Sector of French Front at Daybreak Yesterday; In Addition to the Killed Several Are Wounded and a Number Taken Prisoners; All Deaths Recently Reported to Washington Are From the Same Sector; American Troops Make Telling Reply With Cannon and Machine Gun Fire

Washington, Jan. 31.—For the second time since the American troops entered the front lines in France, their position has been raided by the Germans. After a violent artillery barrage and during a heavy fog, the enemy attacked an American position on an unnamed sector of the French front Wednesday morning. Two Americans were killed, four wounded and one is reported missing. It is believed the missing soldier is a German prisoner. The sector which was raided is the same in which have occurred the casualties sent out from Washington during the past few days. For military reasons it was considered inadvisable to send earlier reports. Most of the deaths and most of the wounds were caused by shrapnel. American cannon and machine guns have replied to the Germans and it is believed their casualties equal or exceed those among General Pershing's troops. In the first raid on November 3 the Americans lost three killed, five wounded and twelve made prisoners by the enemy.

GERMAN RAIDS ON AMERICAN SECTOR BRING REPRISALS

Return Fire by Sammes Results in Heavy Casualties in German Positions

By Associated Press With the American Army in France, Wednesday, Jan. 30.—An American position on a certain section of the French front was raided during a heavy fog shortly after daylight this morning. The attack was preceded by a violent artillery barrage. Two Americans were killed and four wounded. One soldier is missing and is believed to have been captured by the enemy. Casualties have been occurring all day.

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Pawns Liberty Certificate; Gets Five-Year Sentence

New York, Jan. 31.—Frederick Jackson, a former Liberty Bond salesman, was sentenced today to five years in Sing Sing by Judge Malone in the court of General Sessions, although the jury in the case had recommended mercy. Jackson had been found guilty of grand larceny for pawning Liberty Loan interest certificates he had sold to a customer.

Six Tons of Coal Costs Furniture Makers \$22,000

By Associated Press Washington, Jan. 31.—Saving six tons of coal under the fuel restriction order on a needless Monday, Senator Smith, of Michigan, told the Senate today it cost thirty-seven Grand Rapids furniture factories \$22,000 and their employes \$40,000. He assailed the order as "whimsical."

FRIGATE CONSTITUTION IS ENDANGERED BY FIRE

By Associated Press Boston, Jan. 31.—The frigate Constitution, known as "Old Ironsides," was endangered by a fire on a motorboat at the Navy Yard today. A naval tug was run alongside the frigate to shield her from the flames. The blaze was due to the back-firing of the motorboat engine.

TODAY Is the last day to make \$4.12=\$5 TOMORROW It will be \$4.13=\$5 You haven't much time

Increase in British Shipping Losses is Record For Week

London, Wednesday, Jan. 30.—An increase in British shipping losses is shown in the official summary issued last night, which reports the destruction of nine vessels of more than 1,600 tons and six of lesser tonnage. The official statement follows: "Arrivals, 2,352; sailings, 2,209. "British merchantmen, 1,600 tons or over, sunk by mine or submarine, nine; under 1,600 tons, six; fishing vessels, one. "British merchantmen, unsuccessfully attacked, eight."

U-Boat Warfare Enters Second Year Tomorrow; Fails to Accomplish End

British merchant vessels lost for the past week show an increase over the two previous weeks. The current report of the British Admiralty says fifteen ships, including nine of more than 1,600 tons were destroyed. In each of the previous two weeks eight ships were lost and in each of the first two reports made in January 21 merchantmen were sunk. The ruthless U-boat warfare enters upon its second year tomorrow, without yet having accomplished its announced purpose—ending the war.

Boat Is Sunk; No One Can Tip It, Says Wilson

Columbus, O., Jan. 31.—Governor James M. Cox today sent the following telegram to President Wilson: "Just sit tight in the boat. The revolution now concerting will overwhelm those whose politics has engulfed their patriotism. President Wilson sent the following in reply: "Thank you heartily for the message. You may be sure I shall sit tight for the boat is sound and nobody can overcast it."

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Cloudy, probably light snow this afternoon; fair and colder to-night and Friday; lowest temperature to-night about 12 degrees. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair and colder to-night and Friday; moderate northwest winds.

STATE OF SIEGE IS DECLARED IN GERMAN CITIES

Hamburg, Altona and Wandsbeck Are Most Seriously Affected by Strikers

Copenhagen, Jan. 31.—A state of siege has been declared at Hamburg, Altona and Wandsbeck, according to the Hamburg Echo, a Socialist newspaper.

Germany's Problems Are Increasing in Seriousness

By Associated Press Washington, Jan. 31.—Advices to the State Department today from neutral countries say Germany's economic and political problems are growing in seriousness. Information secured by the department indicates the reports that have come out of Germany in the past week do not present the entire situation as there is a growing protest of the Socialists and more radical groups against the military.

Downes Explains School Bond Issue to U. S.

Dr. F. E. Downes, city school superintendent, has gone to Washington to report to the government following the receipt of a communication from Paul M. Warburg, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, addressed to Mayor Keister and asking for information concerning the necessity of the bond issue planned by the school board. The communication to Mayor Keister was turned over to city school authorities for action. It was at once decided to make a report on the fact that contracts for part of the High school building program had been let practically necessitating the bond issue. Bids for the bonds were to be opened tomorrow. Dr. Downes may return in time for the meeting and report the success of his visit.

JAPAN IS READY TO DO SHARE IN THE GREAT WAR

Chamber of Commerce Hears What Island Kingdom Has Done PRAISES FOR AMERICA Mikado's People Must Be the Leaders of the Orient, Says Dr. Iyenaga

"Japan will not recoil from any sacrifice she may be compelled to make." When Dr. Toyokichi Iyenaga, formerly president of the American College in Japan, quoted this statement of his government today to two hundred and fifty members of the Chamber of Commerce at lunch in the Board of Trade building rose up as one and gave him an uproarious cheer that made even the poised orator crack a smile. The distinguished Japanese was introduced in a few well-chosen words by President Andrew S. Patterson, who explained that the speaker had taught

Secretary Baker Learns of Brother's Interest in Plant; Orders Contracts Canceled

Washington, Jan. 31.—Interest of H. D. Baker, a brother of Secretary Baker, in a contract for the construction of an airplane plant at Niles, Ohio, which had, but lost government contracts, came up today before the Senate Military Committee, at its inquiry into the aviation services.

55 Feet of Water Causes Abandonment of Central R. R. Station in Cincinnati

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 31.—With gorges at Carrollton, Ky., and Madison, Ind., holding, the Ohio river at this point has been rising one foot an hour for the last twenty-four hours and has reached a stage of 55 feet at 11:30 o'clock today, or five feet above the danger line. The Central Union Railway station was abandoned insofar as the use of trains was concerned, when the flood reached 54 feet with water and ice flooding the tracks.

Searing Is Sentenced to Two Years in Prison

Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—Frederick Roe Searing, a Philadelphia outsider found guilty a month ago of conspiring to defraud two insurance companies of \$18,000 was sentenced today to two years in prison. Elizabeth Rendell, formerly his stenographer who eloped with him after he had made it appear that he had drowned himself at Atlantic City, N. J., received a sentence of six months charged with aiding him. Searing was convicted of taking out a policy of \$15,000 in addition to one he held of \$3,000 prior to swindling in August, 1917. His wife won a suit for the amount of the policies in the lower courts but the insurance companies located Searing and his former stenographer in New Orleans and produced them at the opening of an appeal taken to the Superior Court. The suit was dropped.

DEFENSE COMMISSION GIVES \$500,000 TO AID IN OPENING OF ROADS

The State Defense Commission today appropriated \$500,000 from the \$2,000,000 voted for the safety and defense of the state by the Legislature to the State Highway Department to aid in keeping open and repairing state highways. This money is to be added to the revenue derived from the automobile licenses and it developed that the state, owing to the high price of materials and labor, has practically given up any extensive road construction this year except on equal share of cost with counties and boroughs. Six highways are now being kept open at heavy cost to facilitate the movement of truck trains to the seaboard and it is held in the resolution making the appropriation that the roads should be kept open on account of the farmers. The measure was attended by Governor Brumbaugh, Lieutenant Governor McClain, State Treasurer Keister, Auditor General Snyder and Adjutant General Beary. The commission had previously authorized expenditures of \$180,000 for the labor employment agencies to be conducted by the state, nation and public safety committee, which placed over 10,000 people last month. \$50,000 for boys' farm training camps to be conducted at \$170 per month per camp to train boys for

CITY AGAIN IS BORDERING ON COAL FAMINE

Dealers Declare Situation Now Is Worse Than Ever, With Increased Demand

That the coal situation in Harrisburg is worse than it has been at any time during the present winter was the chief concern reached by some of the city's dealers this morning when surveying the prospects for supplying the coal needs during the severe week of the winter, featured by two snowstorms, is given by dealers as one reason for the acute stage of the coal situation. The fact that heavy consumers laid in a supply of coal to last through the winter are now finding their stocks depleted through the unparalleled severity of the weather and appealing

U. S. FACES GREAT TASK, PRESIDENT TELLS FARMERS

War Issues to Be Determined in 1918, Wilson Writes

By Associated Press Washington, Jan. 31.—To the farmers of the United States, President Wilson today sent a message in which he called attention to the country's need of their assistance during the coming year in winning the war. The message was sent through the Farmers' Conference being held at the University of Illinois at Urbana. The message was delivered by President James, of the University of Illinois, in the absence of Secretary of Agriculture Houston, who was to have represented the President. The President had expected to attend but in disposition made it impossible and he delegated Mr. Houston, who was prevented from participating.

RED AND WHITE GUARDS CLASH IN FINNISH TOWNS

Stockholm, Wednesday, Jan. 30.—All is quiet at Helsinki, a dispatch from that city reports, but fighting is under way at other points in Finland between the Red Guard, which is supporting the revolution and the White Guard which is upholding the Finnish government. The White Guard is fighting with enthusiasm and scoring successes everywhere, notably at Kemi, Uleaborg, Kajan, and St. Michael, disarming the Red Guard. In fighting Tuesday near Kaermer station the Red Guard lost eighty-seven killed and 175 injured, while the White Guard lost only eight killed and one wounded. London, Jan. 31.—Finland is going through a social revolution similar in aims to the November revolution in Petrograd, says the Petrograd correspondent of the Daily News in describing the Finnish situation. The forces opposed to each other in Finland, however, are equally balanced, he adds and a comparatively painless revolution, like

CITY SPENDS \$200 A DAY TO REMOVE SNOW IN STREETS

Highways Are Blocked Time After Time by Heavy Snows

Removal of snow from the city streets is costing approximately \$200 a day it was estimated by officials of the highway department. The heavy storms of the last few weeks not only depleted the fund appropriated for snow removal but necessitated transferring \$5,000 from the street sweeping fund. The first storm which tied up traffic started December 8 and from that time on large forces of teams and men have been kept at work daily to remove the large piles which have accumulated. Commission

White Guards Fight With Enthusiasm and Score Successes Everywhere

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IMPORTANT CHANGES IN PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

Washington, Jan. 31.—New regulations for physical examination of draft registrants, changing weight, height and other conditions and approving parts military service for men not actually rejected, were announced today by Provost Marshal General Crowder. Local boards are directed to reject no registrant on account of foot or teeth defects and to accept in most cases all men with temporary or remedial defects.

LATEST NEWS

SAILINGS TO SPAIN SUSPENDED

An Atlantic Port—The sailings of five passenger steamships making ready here for voyages to Spain were suspended today, it was announced on orders from Washington.

BATH IRON WORK CLOSURES

Portland—The Bath Iron Works, employing hundreds of men on the construction of government craft, notified the state fuel administrator today that the plant would shut down immediately for lack of coal. An urgent appeal was sent to Washington for relief.

MARKET CLOSES BUOYANT

New York—Steels, motors and specialties led the list to high levels in the extremely active final hour. The closing was buoyant. Liberty Bonds were steady. All clauses of stocks were included in today's comprehensive upward movement at extreme gains of 2 to 5 points for rails and industrials, a few specialties making more spectacular advances. Sales approximated 900,000 shares.

STATE TREASURY BALANCE

Harrisburg—The State Treasury balance at the end of January business was \$6,309,349.80 against \$5,863,384.83 at the close of December. January receipts were \$4,628,322.24 and expenditures \$4,182,357.27.

FOLK RESIGNS FROM COMMISSION

Washington—Joseph W. Folk today sent to the Interstate Commerce Commission his resignation as the commission's chief counsel to take effect before February 15. He will return to his home in St. Louis to become general counsel for the Chamber of Commerce there.

STRIKES IN GERMANY EXTENDED

Amsterdam—The strikes in Germany have been extended in districts near Berlin, especially in Tegel, Aldershof, Spandau and Mariendorf, where 500,000 men have quit work. A similar number of workmen are on strike in the remainder of the empire.

BRITISH PATROL TAKES PRISONERS

London—The official statement from British headquarters in France and Belgium issued today read: "Our patrol secured prisoners last night in the neighborhood of Epehy. Beyond some hostile artillery activity south and north of Lens and in the neighborhood of Paschen-daele, there is nothing further to report."

PROF. L. H. MILLS DEAD

London—Lawrence Heyworth Mills, professor of Zend Philology at Oxford University since 1898, is dead. Lawrence Mills was born in New York in 1837 and was educated in Fairfax county, Va., and New York University. He went to Oxford in 1887. Professor Mills has published many books on philology and eastern religions.

PREPARE FOR SOCIAL REVOLUTION

Petrograd—An official statement issued today by the Bolshevik government says that the "new workmen's and peasants' red army will serve to support the coming social revolution in Europe."

ITALIAN POSITIONS IMPROVED

Rome—The Italians' new position west of the Frenzela valley on the mountain front was improved yesterday, the war office announced today. The line was advanced slightly northeast of Col Del Rosso.

TO CLEAR RIVER OF ICE

Pittsburgh—Expert engineers were called in by river interests today in an effort to clear the Monongahela river of its load of heavy ice and allow the shipment of coal to many Pittsburgh mills and furnaces which are shut down for lack of fuel.

REVOLUTIONISTS CAPTURE YOCOW

Peking—Yochow, the strategic key to the upper Yang-tse-Kiang has been captured by the Southern revolutionists, according to a report from Hankow.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William S. Shaffer and Hilda Koch, Lock Haven.