

UPHEAVAL IN FRANCE HINED AT BY WRITER

Sweeping Changes Necessary, He Says—Joffre May be Removed. WANTS MORE POWER FOR THE PRESIDENT Makes Plea for Action and Asks Full Control for State.

Paris, Dec. 8.—A French political writer of note who has exceptional inside knowledge of affairs has written the following article on the allied political situation: "Sir Edward Carson said a year ago: "It is a terrible error to think one can preserve all the organizations of peace times during a war. The French crisis, which is not really a crisis but a regeneration, has no other origin but this.

The institution of a new order of things is incumbent on the French as on the British and Russian governments. Everywhere military methods, discipline, co-ordination, and selection are essential to the supreme necessity of immediate action. When one has constructed cannon able to hurl shells at a fatal speed of so many hundred yards a second it is impossible for the men behind these cannon—the military leaders and political organizers—to have a thinking capacity, the rapidity of which is not in relation to the powers of these engines. And when one has shells weighing a ton which strike a target with the force of a mountain hurled from its base the men who directly or indirectly have unleashed this defensive cataclysm must project their ideas from the state of conception to that of realization with the same lightning rapidity as the same formidable impact. In all the European states now at war there is a search for these men of rapid thought and immediate action.

"It has become impossible to keep the civil population behind the line of the armies without an immediate link of co-operation with the combatants. The zone of the armies is a fiction. The general mobilization of all able-bodied men after two years of war entails the mobilization of the whole population. It might have been foreseen. Make peace or act. Make peace or have universal state control. There is no question of making peace. After a week of the chamber's second session, if anything has transpired of parliament's deliberations, it is the unshakable resolution of the country to pursue the war to make new efforts and sacrifices.

Act Rapidly. "Another sentiment is also becoming more and more pronounced after eight days debating—the necessity to take resolute and rapid action. The chamber has decided to hold public questions put down for secret hearing, and it is even resolved to eliminate some to shorten the secret session. It is necessary to deliberate rapidly. It is the present governmental organization of France in conformity with the great exigencies of the war and of the inevitable transformation which it entails, morally and materially, in this country? This, in short, is the great question now under discussion. Firstly there are the republicans, the supreme chief representing the nation. Are his powers sufficient—too restrictive or badly restricted? The president of the French republic resembles in nothing the president of the United States. He lacks the war powers which make of the American chief magistrate the leader of direct action.

Secondly, does the actual number of ministers answer the requirements of the house? An under secretary of state for munitions, food and transport has been created. Do not, for example, hygiene and other great public services demand the administrative organization and supreme control of the state?

Army Needs Revision. "Thirdly, after two years of war and after great battles, is not the revision of the supreme command necessary? There are men bred of their great efforts for whom recognition could be reserved in recognition of the great services rendered, and there are others whose talent has been revealed who could be promoted to positions which need their energy and initiative. At a time when once more the flower of French manhood is to be called to arms, regeneration is necessary, beginning at the top whatever the civil or military situation of individuals who by their age, vigor and capacities are better adapted to the level of what the hour calls for. Here again comparison between men and their armaments comes in. There are very efficacious but quickly worn out armaments, but not only to renew her armaments, but to invent and create new ones.

NEW SUBMARINE NOTE WILL BE SENT GERMANY

United States Wants to Learn Just What Promises Cover.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—A new note to Germany on the general submarine situation appears to be among the possibilities which may come out of the latest activities of Undersea boats. If decided upon, such a note would be for the purpose of clearing up what appears to be difficulties in interpretation at Washington and Berlin as to what Germany's pledges in the Sussex case covered, especially as to armed ships. France has been decided to bring out more clearly just what ground these pledges will cover.

He Will Succeed John D. Jr. as Head of Big Foundation



Dr. George E. Vincent.

Dr. George E. Vincent, president of the University of Minnesota, will succeed John D. Rockefeller, Jr., as head of the Rockefeller Foundation when the latter retires from that office on May 15 next. Dr. Vincent has been identified with the faculties of the universities of Chicago and Minnesota for many years and has been president of the latter institution since 1911.

NORTH DAKOTA BACHELORS GO WOOING TODAY

Four Chicago Boulevards Advertising For Wives.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—One hundred unwedded North Dakota farmers today motored the boulevards of Chicago in cars bearing the sign, "we want wives. Bachelor farmers of North Dakota."

The bachelors are members of the North Dakota delegation attending the national conference on marketing and farm credits.

NAMED FOR SING SING POST.

Warden of Atlanta Prison Chosen Head of New York Institution.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 8.—The appointment of William H. Moyer, for twelve years warden of the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., as warden of Sing Sing prison, was announced by the state superintendent of prisons, James N. Carter.

BURGLARS CHLOROFORMED 9.

Family Found Unconscious in Home at Lima, Ohio.

Lima, Ohio, Dec. 8.—Nine persons, members of the family of E. A. Wilson, a barber, were found unconscious in his home by neighbors. Burglars had entered during the night and chloroformed the victims, escaping with \$27. All will recover.

EXPECT DEMAND FOR CANAL TOLL INCREASE

Expenditures Last Fiscal Year Much Greater Than Revenue, Report Presented Today Shows.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The possibility of a recommendation for increase in Panama tolls was seen in the statement today of canal expenses and revenues for the year which ended June 30. The expenses amount to more than double the receipts of the canal proper.

JURY MUST DECIDE IF RAE TANZER WAS JUSTIFIED IN TAKING OSBORNE FOR WAX

James W. Osborne (left) and Charles H. Wax.



Charles H. Wax, calling himself "Oliver Osborne," courted pretty Rae Tanzer, New York bookkeeper. Then he disappeared. Miss Tanzer thought her suitor had been James W. Osborne, prominent New York lawyer. She sued him for breach of promise. She lost and was in turn arrested for perjury and using the mails to defraud. When her trial takes place soon Wax and Osborne will go before the jury, and the twelve men will decide whether the girl was justified in mistaking Osborne for Wax.

8,000 RUMANS ARE CAPTURED; FRENCH GAIN

Big Force Taken Prisoner When Germans Entered Bucharest.

TEUTONS DRIVEN OUT OF TRENCHES WON

Berlin Announces that Entente Were Repulsed "Everywhere."

Berlin, Dec. 8. (Wireless to Sayville)—The surrender of a force of 8,000 Rumanians is announced officially.

GERMANS DRIVEN BACK.

Paris, Dec. 8.—Germans last night were driven out of trenches which they captured on the eastern side of Hill 304, on the Verdun front, it was announced officially. Heavy fighting is in progress on the Macedonian front. Three successive counter attacks on the Serbians have been made by German and Bulgarian troops in the region of Bitryva. These attacks were repulsed, the war office declared.

TEUTONS CLAIM SUCCESS.

Berlin, Dec. 8. (Wireless to Sayville)—Attacks by French troops on the Verdun front in an effort to recapture trenches taken by the Germans on Hill 304 and by Russians on the Dvina front, in the northern part of the Russo-Galician line, in the Ludova region in the Carpathians, and in Trotus valley, on the northern Rumanian front, failed, says an official announcement. The Russians sustained heavy losses.

OLGA DAHL SAYS MAN IS NOT HER ASSAILANT

Itasca County School Teacher Says Man Held at Bessemer Does Not Answer Description.

Duluth, Dec. 8.—Miss Olga Dahl of Warba, Minn., the young school mistress who was attacked in Itasca county September 20 last, arrived here today on her way home from Bessemer, Mich., where she is in company with Sheriff Gunderson of Itasca county went to identify a prisoner.

The man arrested at Bessemer was not my assailant, said Miss Dahl. "His description was nothing like the man who attacked me. He is large and has a light complexion. The man we want to find was short and very dark and spoke plain English. I have not yet been asked to go to Minneapolis to identify a prisoner there who has just been sentenced to jail for water for stabbing a Chinaman, and who, it is said, closely answers the description of my assailant. The man who mistook me has a half moon scar on the left side of his nose and scar on the Minneapolis prisoner."

PREFERS THAT GREECE START HOSTILITIES

Admiral Sarrail Prefers Open Clash Than Military Activity Now Going On.

Athens, Dec. 7. (Via London, Dec. 8.)—The Russian, Italian, French and British ministers called in a body at the foreign office at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon and demanded an explanation of the Greek military activity.

The French commander, General Sarrail, is quoted as saying that he prefers Greece open hostility to an unsettled situation. The members of the Russian colony will leave here tomorrow. Only the Italian colony of the entente remains at Athens.

GREEK BLOCKADE STARTED TODAY

Movement of Troops Stopped, Athens Government Announces.

Athens, Dec. 8.—The blockade of Greece began officially at 8 o'clock this morning. Members of the British naval mission have been ordered to embark on the Greek trans-Atlantic liner, "King Constantine."

In response to the demand of the entente yesterday for an explanation of the movement of Greek troops, the government explained that these had ceased.

TEUTONS OFFERED HELP.

London, Dec. 8.—A dispatch from Switzerland via Rome to the Wireless Press says that Germany and Austria offered their services to Greece in opening land communications, if Greece declares war on the entente.

PLAN TO CROSS ATLANTIC IN PLANE WITH FOUR MEN

New York, Dec. 8.—Purposing to make a trans-Atlantic flight in an airplane carrying four men, with an attack on Ruth Lewis' nonstop cross-country American record by flight from Chicago to New York as a "preliminary warming-up feat," Lieutenant Kjil Nygaard, a Norwegian, recently of the French flying corps, and Captain Hugo Sundstedt, formerly of the Swedish navy flying corps, arrived here today on the Espagne to begin preparations for their attempt at record smashing. They said they planned to start their flight across the ocean in April, going first from New York to St. John's, Newfoundland, and thence to some point on the west coast of Ireland.

PROHIBITION TO FORE

Legislation to Prevent Manufacture and Sale in Capital Comes Up in Senate.

MARINA SHOULD HAVE ENJOYED ALL IMMUNITIES

The State Department Gets Proof that Submarine Attack Was Unjustified.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Official information to the state department establishes the fact that the British ship Marina, sunk by a German submarine with the loss of six Americans, was an ocean transport and was entitled to immunities of a peaceful merchantman. Germany announced her intention and willingness to offer amends for her destruction in such case.

KILLED WIFE, TRIED TO BURN FOUR CHILDREN

Farmer, then, Committed Suicide—One Child Escaped and Saved Others

Waukegan, Ill., Dec. 8.—Edward McDowell, a farmer near Libertyville, last night shot his wife, attempted to burn his four children to death and committed suicide. McDowell, it is said, entered the home in an angry mood and quarreled with his wife. He seized a shotgun and shot her through the head, then threw her in a watering trough in the yard.

OFFERED LIFE HELP TO CHANGE TESTIMONY, SHE SWEARS ON THE STAND

Red Oak, Iowa, Dec. 8.—Mrs. Alice Willard, defense witness in former state Senator J. E. Jones' libel suit against J. N. Wilkerson of Kansas City today testified that Monday night Jim Atkinson said to her she "would be taken care of" if she would testify unfavorably to Jones. Atkinson's identity was not established but Mrs. Willard said she had known him for fifteen years.

CANADIAN FARMERS SEEK BIG POLITICAL REFORM

Platform Asks That Reciprocity With United States Be Accepted by Parliament.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 8.—The combined farmers' organizations of all Canada, representing 60,000 affiliated farmers, known as the Council of Agriculture, has adopted a political platform for the purpose of bringing about economic, political and social reforms. The platform was formulated in Winnipeg and announced today.

The reforms aimed at include the amendment of the tariff laws by reducing the duty on goods imported from Great Britain to half the rates charged under the general tariff, and further reductions in the remaining tariffs such as will ensure complete free trade between Great Britain and Canada within five years.

I. W. W.'S START FIGHT WHEN TRAIN CREW PUTS THEM OFF; SOME HURT

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 8.—In an encounter between trainmen and a score of itinerant workers who captured a section of the St. Louis and San Francisco freight train near here today, half a dozen persons were injured. Seven of the men were arrested on charges of vagrancy. They said they were members of the Industrial Workers of the World.

BUCHAREST'S FALL GIVES LIE TO ALL TALK OF WEAKNESS

So Declares Berlin Paper in Commenting on It—Allies' Talk of Weakness is "Ridiculous."

Berlin, via London, Dec. 8.—The Socialist newspaper, the Vorwaerts, in an editorial on the capture of Bucharest, expresses the view that the chief significance of the victory lies in the disproof it furnishes to all assertions that Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's expressed willingness to make peace is dictated by Germany's weakness.

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DEPORTATIONS NECESSARY, SAYS BERLIN

English Blockade has Made Thousands of Belgians Idle.

MUST BE GIVEN WORK, NOTE SAYS

Depravity and Drunkenness Resulting, Explanation Says.

Berlin, Thursday, Via London, Dec. 8.—The German government issued a statement today in explanation of the justification of the transfer of Belgian laborers to Germany, a measure by no means a hardship for the laborers but a social necessity, it says.

Owing chiefly to the British embargo against Belgium overseas trade, which before the war supported a large part of the industrial population, a large number of Belgian workers are idle, the statement says, and conditions are growing worse. Many families have become objects of public charity.

More than a fifth of the total population of Belgium require assistance. More than 650,000 persons are without work and these masses of idle people, the statement says, are degenerating and drinking, and social depravity resulting.

FARMERS HOLD WHEAT

Canadians in Prairie Provinces Believe World-shortage Will Bring Higher Prices.

(Herald Special Service.) Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—Officials of farmers' organizations state that many of the farmers of the prairie provinces were holding and would hold their wheat for higher prices.

"They have made a study of the world shortage," said one, "and many of them have concluded that wheat prices will be much higher than they have been. It is the belief here that approximately 10,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat must go into the United States for seed for next year's crop."

Weather conditions are not so favorable in western Canada, snow falling in most sections. Heavier snow is reported in the Rockies with attendant conditions, winds and lower thermometer registrations, which seem to promise colder and more wintry weather for the prairies in the next few days.

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Interstate Commerce Commission Decides in Favor of Des Moines in Certain Instances.

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The commission held, however, that rates between Des Moines and the Dakotas discriminate against Des Moines to the advantage of Mississippi river crossings. The latter applies not only to Mississippi river crossings, but the adjustment of rates beyond the river.

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John W. Davis, formerly a congressman from West Virginia, now solicitor general, is looked upon as the most likely successor to U. S. Attorney General Gregory, who according to report will resign in the near future. The solicitor general is forty-three years old and a graduate of Washington and Lee university.

SUFFERN, FRENCH BATTLESHIP, IS LOST; ALL DROWN

Marine Officials Believe All on Board Went Down With Her.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The battleship Suffern, which left port November 24 for Lorient, a French naval station in Brittany, has not been heard from since and the minister of marine considers the vessel lost with all on board.

The French battleship Suffern displaced 12,750 tons, had a normal complement of 730 men, was 410 feet long and 70 feet beam. She entered the Dardanelles to bombard Turkish forts last year, but was badly damaged and withdrew in flames.

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BALFOUR-CECIL APPOINTMENTS ARE NOT LIKED

Lloyd-George Press Does Not Want Former in Foreign Office.

PREMIER HAVING HIS DIFFICULTIES

Paper Asks for Man Who Will Strictly Enforce Blockade.

IRISH QUESTION. London, Dec. 8.—The Manchester Guardian says the report that Premier Lloyd-George will attempt an immediate solution of the Irish question by means of an imperial conference is not unlikely.

London, Dec. 8.—At a meeting of Liberals today it was stated that A. J. Balfour would be foreign secretary of the new cabinet and Lord Robert Cecil would remain parliamentary under-secretary of foreign affairs. The Evening News, one of the strongest supporters of Premier Lloyd-George, publishes prominently a protest against these appointments. The News says:

"The great enthusiasm with which the formation of the new government was received everywhere was dampened for a moment by persistent rumor on good authority that Mr. Balfour is to get the foreign office with Lord Robert Cecil. Lord Robert's record in the foreign office is well known. It would be nothing short of disastrous if the man who persistent adopted a policy leading to the weakening of our blockade, and consequent feeding of the Germans, should again be placed in command."

GOVERNORS TO DISCUSS HIGH COST OF LIVING

Delayed Meeting of Conference to be Held in Washington Next Week, Says Secretary.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 8.—The delayed meeting of the governors' conference will be held in Washington, D. C., next week, beginning Thursday and ending Saturday, it was announced by Miles C. Piley, secretary of the conference, after hearing from several governors. The meeting originally was scheduled for a policy leading to the summer, but was delayed because of the sending of state troops to the border. The high cost of living and a method for checking increasing prices will be one of the leading topics for discussion.

The enforcement of prohibitory laws in states which have them also will be discussed.

ASK INQUIRY INTO FARMING IN AMERICA

Congress Memorialized Today in Effort to Get Agricultural Reforms.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Resolutions calling upon congress to investigate the entire problem of agriculture in the United States and calling for an investigation of the marketing of livestock was adopted in the closing session of the national conference on Marketing and Farm Credits here today. The resolutions suggest that congress look into the workings of co-operative marketing and buying under government auspices in European countries and ascertain to what extent they could be applied to place American agriculture on an efficient basis, particularly in the elimination of waste.

SHACKLETON TO SAIL TO RESCUE OF PARTY

Arctic Explorer to Make Attempt to Save Marooned Crew—Their Ship Broke Away in Blizzard.

London, Dec. 8.—Sir Ernest Shackleton will sail from Dunedin, New Zealand, for Ross sea, on December 16, to rescue the members of an Arctic expedition marooned there, according to a Reuter's dispatch from Wellington. The marooned men are Captain Mackintosh, and nine members of the crew of the Aurora, who left when the ship broke away in a blizzard 21 months ago near Ross barrier. They had a scant supply of provisions then. Nothing has been heard from them since.

GREEK KING VERY WEAK

Health of Constantine Causes Anxiety—Old Wound in Side Gives Much Trouble.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The health of King Constantine again is causing anxiety, according to news from German sources, says a Zurich dispatch to The Matin. The old wound in the king's side continues to suppurate and has to be kept open constantly. The king's condition is said to be very weak.