

## Meet to Settle Treaty Problems

# 15 IN GAS CAR EXPLOSION KILLED!

## TANK CAR OF GASOLINE EXPLODES IN DENSELY POPULATED SECTION OF TOLEDO

(By The Associated Press)

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 24.—A complete check will be required to determine the casualty list from an explosion which occurred here today. A late estimate places the number at six to fifteen and forty injured. The original estimate was twenty-five dead. Six bodies have been recovered. The property damaged is estimated at \$150,000.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 24.—Police estimates place the death at twenty-five and the injured at fifty as a result of the explosion here today of a tank car of gasoline. A row of dwellings, most of them occupied by negroes, was burned and a number of inmates injured.

A flying spark from the chisel of a workman caulking the car is supposed to have caused the explosion which occurred at Main street and Mill avenue in the center of a densely populated part of the city and a short distance from a gas plant endangered by fire.

Twenty nearby freight houses were literally splintered by the force of the explosion and were set afire while windows within a radius of fifteen blocks were broken. Two of the three negro workmen caulking the car were killed while a third escaped without injury.

## EUROPE'S DEBT TO U. S. TO INCREASE TWENTY BILLIONS

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24.—Europe's debt to the United States will be increased \$20,000,000,000 by 1924, George F. Warren, professor of economics at Cornell declared today at the tariff revision hearing by the house ways and means committee.

This sum, he said, included \$9,600,000,000 wartime borrowings from the American treasury. Mr. Warren estimated that the European business now owned American firms is nearly \$4,000,000,000 and he said that Europe must send her products to this country irrespective of import duties.

## VIENNA SETS A NEW RECORD FOR STRIKES IN 1920

(By The Associated Press.)

Vienna, Jan. 24.—Vienna set what is probably a new record for strikes in the year just ended. There were 127 of them in this city, partial or complete, wild or organized.

Eight of them were carried over into the new year, having taken in the closing week of 1920. The most recent of the strikes included employees of government printing plants, working at the mint, actors and orchestras of the national theaters, railway employees, women's tailors, dentists' assistants, city employees and the gold and silversmiths.

Of all the strikes which Vienna has experienced in the last twelve months not one loosened the flood gates of indignation in the street and newspapers as did the closing of the coffee houses for five days, as the result of a demand for increased pay on the part of the employees. The Vienna coffee house means vastly more to the resident of Vienna than the club means to the average American or Englishman.

## EIGHT KILLED IN WEEKEND BATTLES IN IRISH CITIES

(By The Associated Press.)

Dublin, Jan. 24.—All the buildings in Palace street, which overlooks the main entrance to Dublin castle, have been commandeered by the military. The residents of the buildings have been ordered to quit their premises before next Thursday.

The week end in Ireland was marked by further bloodshed. A total of eight men were killed and two wounded, according to Dublin castle reports.

## WILL NOT DISTURB HOME BREWERS FOR PRESENT

(By The Associated Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Home brewers will not be disturbed for the present despite recent government announcements that they would be prosecuted vigorously, Frank D. Richardson, prohibition director, said on his return from Washington. "No sanction has been given home brewing," he said, "but it is evident that to suppress the home stills a force many times as large as that available will be necessary. So, the officials have decided to pass up the home brewers for the time being and to go after the bigger law violators."

## Safety First Saves 38,000 From Death

(By The Associated Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 24.—More than 38,000 lives have been saved on the railroads of the United States as a result of the organized safety work carried on during thirteen years, according to an analysis made at the headquarters of the national safety council here of railway statistics from 1906 to 1919 compiled by Sisson Thompson of the bureau of railways news and statistics. The council has announced.

## KENYON PACKING BILL TO PASS BY A SMALL MAJORITY

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24.—A decision by congress on the Kenyon bill to regulate the meat packing industries was to be reached by the senate after a final hearing set for late today.

Under unanimous consent, an agreement was reached last week, and voting on the bill and amendments was to be at 4 o'clock this afternoon without discussion. At 2 o'clock debate was cut to five minutes for each senator.

It is expected to pass by a small majority.

Advocates of the legislation conceded that the vote would be very close. A private poll taken by them since has shown a hair-line division, with the senators listed as "doubtful" determining the fate of the legislation about which a controversy has raged for ten years.

The bill known as the Gronna bill, having been reported by Senator Gronna, was substituted for the Kendrick-Kenyon bill. The Gronna measure proposes federal regulation of meat packers, stock yards, commission houses and other interested, by a five-stock commission of three members appointed by the president at salaries of \$10,000 each.

## ASKS REVENUE TAX ON GRAND STAND AT THE IOWA STATE FAIR

(By The Associated Press.)

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 24.—Notice from the United States internal revenue office at Dubuque to the state board of agriculture demanding payment of \$4,800 taxes on admissions to the grandstand during the state fair in 1920, was received today. The state board contends that it is exempt from such tax.

## Russia Buys Khaki Cloth From England

(By The Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 24.—The Soviet government of Russia has recently bought privately from British firms 2,500,000 yards of khaki cloth for 1,375,000 pounds, says the Evening Standard. Payment was made by Moscow depositing gold at a Stockholm bank.

The Soviet government still wants over 3,000,000 yards of khaki cloth, but cannot obtain it, besides a vast quantity of paper.

## Thousands Idle in World's Workshop

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 24.—One hundred and eighty thousand men are out of employment in the Pittsburgh district, "workshop of the world," embracing western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and northern West Virginia, and the number is increasing almost daily, according to a survey of the industrial situation just completed here. The daily wage loss is figured at \$967,290.

## CARRY PASSENGERS BY WEIGHT IN AIRPLANES

The Lawson Company, Operating Between Chicago and New York, Announce Plan.

## TO PAY BY WEIGHT Machines to Have Capacity for Carrying two Tons.

(By The Associated Press.)

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 24.—The Lawson Airplane company when it begins its Chicago-New York aerial service sometime in May will charge passengers according to their weight, Alfred Lawson, president of the company, announced today. Arrangements will be made for carrying passengers to approximately the weight of two tons or 4,000 pounds, he said. No standard of poundage of passengers has yet been fixed.

## STORE 100,000 QUARTS WHISKEY IN A BASEMENT

(By The Associated Press.)

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 24.—Two hundred barrels of alcohol, more than 100,000 quarts of bottled in bond whiskey, gin, cordials and other liquors, stored away by the state constitute a problem for Fred L. Woodworth, state food and drug commissioner.

The intoxicants have been seized by state authorities since Michigan became dry May 1, 1918. The more than 100,000 bottles are piled like cordwood in the basement of a building here and about them are grouped the 200 barrels of alcohol. The basement where the state liquor store is kept is harder to break into than Jackson prison is to break out of. There are bars over the cellar windows and great locks on the doors.

More than 200 different kinds of whiskey are represented in the 100,000 or more quart bottles piled about the cellar.

## BRITISHER SAYS PROHIBITION IS HERE FOR GOOD

(By The Associated Press.)

Liverpool, Jan. 24.—Lord Leverhulme, one of Great Britain's largest manufacturers, told the Daily Post representative on his return from a recent visit to the United States that "prohibition in America has come to stay—that you may be certain."

## Are 42,000 Dentists Enough for Nation

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 24.—Can forty-two thousand dentists take care of the teeth of one hundred and five million persons? This is the question the Chicago dental society has asked and answered in the negative. For this reason, one of the chief subjects for consideration at the annual clinic and month hygiene meeting to be held by the society Jan. 27, 28, and 29 here will be general mouth hygiene, especially among children, for the prevention of all possible dental difficulties.

## Reparations, Disarmament, and Other Questions Are Up

(By The Associated Press.)

Paris, Jan. 24.—Representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy, and Belgium governments were gathered here today at a conference which seems second in importance only to that which preceded the signing of the Versailles treaty.

The principal figures are Lloyd George, British premier, and M. Briand, who last week assumed the post of premier of the council of the French republic. About these men the negotiations of the conference are expected to revolve during the coming week and it was believed when the conference will have finally adjourned the Allied world will have settled questions long pending and serious complications, not only between the Allied and enemy countries, but between the governments which fought side by side against the Central Powers from 1914 to 1918.

The importance of the subjects rank as follows: reparation, disarmament of Germany, enforcement or alteration of the treaty with Turkey, relief for Austria and the policy to be pursued in dealing with Russia. All of them were questions on which the participants are more or less divided and the settlement of which will be viewed with great concern.

## WILL NOT INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS OF STATE PRISON

(By The Associated Press.)

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 24.—The chairman of the senate and house committees on state institutions and the board of control do not plan any legislative investigation of the conditions of the state prison at Fort Madison, where seven prisoners escaped recently, it was said today.

The board of control itself is said to hold there was no negligence on the part of executive authorities at the prison in connection with the convicts' escapes.

## Women Voters' League Stages Drive in Polk

(By The Associated Press.)

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 24.—The Polk county division of the Iowa League of Women Voters has started a drive to raise its membership to 1,000. The drive is being carried on with unusual vigor, its leaders assert, because of the fact that the Polk county branch is proportionately far behind the rest of the state in respect to numerical strength. Managers of the campaign declare it their aim to secure as large a membership as possible, so that when the League advocates any civic measures it will be with recognized force and authority.

## Soldier Broke Record for Getting Recruits

(By The Associated Press.)

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 24.—Discharged from the army where he held a temporary commission as second lieutenant, Lee Ward re-enlisted and was made a sergeant, assigned to recruiting duty. He asked permission to "scout" for recruits. Two days later, his commanding officer received this message from Norfolk, Neb.: "Arrange for special car, Norfolk to Omaha. Am returning with 25 recruits. Nine more tomorrow." Ward gained all the recruits in one day, breaking all war or peace time records for the Omaha district. He was granted a week's furlough.

## Russia Orders Much Manufactured Goods

Berlin, Jan. 24.—Russia has given large orders for manufactured goods to Germany says Ivestia. Included are 200,000 ploughs, 750,000 electric lamps and 15,000 kilograms of idiform.

## RETAIL PRICES ARE NOT COMING DOWN ANY MORE

So say the Members of the Retail Commercial Union in Convention.

## SHOW PRICE LISTS

Chances for Further Reductions are Considered Slight.

(By The Associated Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Retail prices generally are not coming down any further, according to the members of the Retail Commercial Union, which today opened a week's convention here. As evidence, they pointed to price lists issued by the association and showed many prices of the present as compared with those a year ago. Retailers said in view of the list, chances of further reduction were slight but declared there was no price advancement in sight.

## MAY SEIZE SECURITIES DEPOSITED GERMAN COMPANIES

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24.—The supreme court today upheld the authority of the alien property custodian in seizing securities deposited in this country by the German insurance companies to protect American policy holders. The court said there was no doubt that the trading with enemies act authorized such procedure.

## CARDINAL NETTO DEAD, RECEIVED CAP FROM KING

(By The Associated Press.)

Lisbon, Jan. 24.—Information has been received here of the death of Cardinal Jose Sebastiao Netto, formerly Patriarch of Lisbon, who died in one of the Franciscan monasteries of Spain where he retired after the revolution in 1910. He received the cardinal's cap from the hands of King Louis I of Portugal in 1883. Previously he was Bishop of Angola and the Congo, where he was a missionary.

After the Portuguese republic abolished religious congregations in Portugal, Cardinal Netto left the country with all the other congregationalists and retired to a convent in Spain. He was 80 years old.

## Who Fail in Business.

Eighty-four per cent of the business failures the past year occurred among firms which did not advertise.

This is the assertion made by Bradstreet's commercial agency, which is as unbiassed an authority as can be found in the business world today.

Bradstreet's compiled its information from statistics, not guess work.

The importance of advertising as a business element must have been regarded as vital by this great commercial agency, else it would not have wasted the time of hundreds of trained men throughout the nation collecting and tabulating this information. Bradstreet's thus points the way to one of the elements of business success.

The lesson to be learned from the statistics regarding the advertising merchants is obvious.

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