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THE WEATHER.
INDIANA — Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday.
LOWER MICHIGAN—Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday.

AUSTRIANS TAKE BUKOWINA CITY FROM RUSSIANS

Czar's Men Forced Back 75 Miles During Last Three Weeks and Teutonic Allies Make Advance.

OFFENSIVE WEAKENS IN MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Russian Troops Deliver Counter Attacks in Carpathians and Reinforcements Are Sent to Aid Northern Front.

BERLIN (by wireless), Feb. 19.—The capture of the Russian town of Tauroggen, 18 miles northeast of Tilsit, is announced in today's official report from the German general staff. It also claims other successes in the eastern theater of war as well as in the western where Hill No. 600 in the Vosges was taken by storm.

According to the official report the French attempted to resume their offensive in the Champagne district of France yesterday but their attacks collapsed under the fire of the German artillery.

VIENNA (Via Berlin and Amsterdam), Feb. 19.—Czernowitz, the capital of Bukowina, has been captured from the Russians, it was announced in an official report from the Austrian general staff given out here today. The Russians have retreated across the Pruth river.

In their offensive operations of the last three weeks the Austrian and German troops have forced the Russians back 75 miles and have themselves made a corresponding advance. With the Germanic allies steadily advancing in Bukowina and southeastern Galicia, Vienna military experts predict that the Russians will be compelled to retreat from central, southern and western Galicia.

The general staff's report follows:

"In Bukowina the enemy has been driven beyond the Pruth. Czernowitz was occupied by our troops Wednesday afternoon. The Russians departed from there in the direction of Novosielica.

(Novosielica is in Russia at the junction of the Pruth and Rakitna rivers).

Hard Fight in Mountains.

"Stubborn fighting continues in the Carpathians. All the Russian attacks have been beaten off with heavy losses to their troops.

"On the Carpathian front from Dukla pass to the vicinity of Wyszkow the situation is generally unchanged."

"Almost everywhere along this front there is heavy fighting. Numerous attacks attempted by the Russians against the German and Austrian positions have been repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy. At one point we took 320 more prisoners.

"By our occupation of Kiloma the Russians lost an important point.

"In East Galicia south of the Dniester, the action of hostile reinforcements from the direction of Stanislau led yesterday to somewhat important fighting north of Nadworna and northwest of Kolomea.

"A battle is proceeding in Russian Poland. In western Galicia there have been only artillery duels and skirmishes.

GERMAN ARMIES CONTINUE ATTACKS ON 300-MILE LINE.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 19.—German armies are continuing their terrific attacks upon the 300-mile Russian front between the Niemen and Vistula rivers, but it is officially claimed here that the troops of Grand Duke Nicholas are successfully withstanding the assaults. In the Carpathians, because of indications that the Austro-German attacks there are weakening, the Russian troops have in turn opened an offensive and have gained a number of successes with their counter attacks.

On the northern front, Russian reinforcements have been sent to the region of Augustowo and Plock over the new military railways which have been constructed since the war began and it was asserted here today that the armies of Field Marshal von Hindenburg are now confronted by 300,000 fresh Russian troops who will take the offensive as soon as the Germans' heavy losses compel them to slacken their attacks.

Claims made by the German war office that 64,000 Russians were captured when they retired from East Prussia were branded as "absurd" by Minister of War Sukhomlinoff today, he reiterating the claim that the Russians effected their withdrawal from German territory without severe losses either in men or equipment.

Russians Admit Retirement.

An official statement issued at midnight admitted that the Russians in Bukowina had retired to the north bank of the Pruth river, but the military experts here declared this would have no effect on the Russian campaign in Galicia. The correspondent of the Bourse Gazette at Lemberg telegraphed today that the Russians had gained all approaches to Uszok pass and that two columns were concentrating upon Ungvar pass, the capture of which will permit the Russians to pour into Hungary.

The latest official report of operations issued here today says:

"On the front from the Niemen to the Vistula, fighting continued on Feb. 18. It was of a desperate character in the region of Augustowa and also in the region from Sierpec to Plock.

Campfires Feel Good to Soldiers in Icy Poland

It seems strange that the war is most active in the theater of war where the climate now is most rigorous. But such is the case, and it is in East Prussia and in Poland, and in the altitudinous Carpathian mountain passes that most activities are noted. The photograph shows a group of German soldiers collected about a campfire in Poland. Fires are few and far between as the glare at night, and the smoke in the daytime, betray the presence of men. So the soldiers appreciate a bonfire when they are permitted to build one.

GERMANS BITTER IN ASSAILING U. S.

Berlin Papers Endorse Kaiser's Answer to American Note, Characterizing Protest as Threatening Bugaboo.

BERLIN (via Amsterdam), Feb. 19.—Germany's reply to the United States is indorsed today by all the British newspapers which also continue their criticism of American unneutrality. This is based upon the pointed statement by the government that the allies are being furnished with weapons and munitions of war by American concerns.

Die Post is particularly caustic in its comment on Americans, saying:

"When something does not suit the Yankee's business they are accustomed to raising as a threatening bugaboo, as great a sabre-rattling noise as possible. They calculate on the state thus alarmed creeping promptly to heel. If this effect is not produced, the yelping pack of Yankees soon quiets down."

Count von Reventlow, naval critic of the Tages Zeitung, shows more than his usual bitterness today. He says in his article that "America is trying to speak to Germany in an altogether unsuitable way. She has grown accustomed to dealings with Mexican pretenders."

Strike Two Allies.

The Vosschihe Zeitung says:

"The new German measures on the sea are directed against two allies of England. One is the American traffic in arms; the other is starvation. We need no American arms to struggle with the ally starvation. We contest with a firm consciousness that we shall pull through even if not a single grain of wheat should reach us, while Great Britain through our blockade system must experience most severe damage."

The Lokal Anzeiger comments on the situation as follows:

"Feb. 18 was the beginning of a defensive fight by a people threatened with starvation. A people which must fight for its existence must and will push aside all consideration as to third parties' attitude toward us. All considerations have already been pushed aside. The fight we are entering must be fought with all recklessness or not at all.

"We Germans are resolved to fight without regard to the consequences. Deep rooted in our people is a humble conviction that victory lies in God's hands. We await the decision of Providence. Difficult will be the fight perhaps, and long also, for the enemy will not shrink from any means in order to frustrate our efforts."

SALOON LUNCH COUNTERS INSANITARY, REPORT SAYS

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 19. — Saloon free lunch counters are not sanitary according to the monthly report of S. E. Barnard, state food and drug commissioner just issued. The report states that inspectors visited 26 saloons and did not find a single free lunch counter that could be classed as sanitary. The inspectors also said 10 lunch counters were "bad," 10 were "poor," and six were "fair."

CAPTURE LAST MAN IN DYNAMITE CONSPIRACY

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 19.—David Caplan, the last of the men wanted in connection with the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building in 1910, who was arrested late last night, was taken today to Port Orchard in Kitsa county, and lodged in jail. Walter R. Thayer, manager of the local branch of the Burns detective agency, who arrested Caplan, declared that the prisoner had expressed his willingness to return to Los Angeles at once and stand trial.

Latest Bulletins From War Zone

BERLIN, Feb. 19.—(By wireless)—Further reports of the German victory in the Mazurian lake district make it apparent that the Russian defeat was most severe. It was officially stated here today that it may be doubted whether much remains of about five Russian corps. The following statement was issued by the official German news bureau in this connection:

"While they may have saved much of their artillery, through their quick retreat, it seems certain that at least 150,000 Russian troops are no longer to be reckoned with."

PARIS, Feb. 19.—French successes in the Vosges mountains and in the Argonne region are announced in an official communique issued at the war office this afternoon. Two infantry attacks made by the Germans in the Vosges in an attempt to stop the French offensive directed toward Metz were repulsed by the French troops.

In the Argonne region a bomb thrower was captured by the French troops. The conflict in the Aisne valley and in the sector of Rheims was confined to an artillery dued.

The French army is to receive great reinforcements immediately.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 19. — A big German Zeppelin was sighted from the Danish frontier last night flying westward. It is believed she came from a German port on the Baltic. Other Zeppelins were seen over Schleswig-Holstein proceeding toward the North sea today.

BERLIN, Feb. 19. — The German submarine U-2, which sank the British warship Pathfinder and also some British merchant ships in the Irish sea has returned undamaged to the base at Wilhelmshaven. The submarine's commander, Capt. Lieut. Hersing, has been decorated with the iron cross for bravery.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 19. — Disregarding the German warning to neutral shipping the Scandinavian-American liner United States sailed for New York today on scheduled time. There was no sign of nervousness among her 400 passengers though the vessel, if she follows her usual course, will cross the German war zone.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Feb. 19.—German aviators attempted to blow up the French forts at Belfort with bombs on Wednesday but were driven off by the batteries there.

They later dropped three bombs upon the railroad station near Montbellard. Several civilians and soldiers were killed but small property damage was done.

BUCHAREST, Roumania, Feb. 19.—Capt. Costiesco-Ghyka, Roumanian minister of finance, announced in parliament today that Roumania is in a position where no public declaration of her future policies can be made. The people must place implicit trust in the government, the minister said, and disregard the silence of the ministry upon its foreign policy.

MADRID, Spain, Feb. 19. — The Spanish government today advised the principal shipping companies here to stop their ships as soon as a submarine is seen and hold themselves in readiness to give detailed information about the ship and her cargo.

JUDGE OLDS WILL SPEAK

Well Known Fort Wayne Lawyer Secured for Bar Banquet.

Judge Walter Olds of Fort Wayne has been secured as a speaker before the local bar association at the annual banquet which will be held on Saturday night, Feb. 27, at the Oliver hotel. Judge Olds is well known throughout the state both as a lawyer and an orator. In addition to him there will be some other speaker, but who this shall be has not yet been decided upon. Judge Richard K. Erwin of the Indiana supreme court has been invited to speak but he has not accepted.

JAPAN DEMANDS CONTROL IN CHINA

Intends to Establish Protectorate Giving Her Supreme Control Commercially as Well as Politically.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Japan has demanded of the Chinese government that she be given completed political control in China. This was learned from a leading member of the diplomatic corps today. He declared that Japan's final action has the complete endorsement of the British government and asserted that Japan intends to make China a protectorate in which Japan will have supreme control commercially as well as politically.

The revelation of the real China-Japanese situation is of the utmost importance to the United States. It will be recalled that four powers participated in the formation of a syndicate to finance China. They were Great Britain, France, Germany and Austria.

The United States was to have been a partner in this syndicate through a banking syndicate, but the termination of so-called "dollar diplomacy" caused a withdrawal of the official United States interests, but nevertheless large funds were actually subscribed by United States financial concerns acting through English bankers.

J. P. Morgan & Co. and Kuhn, Loeb & Co. subscribed, it is understood, $50,000,000, of which $16,000,000 was designed for the development of Manchuria, of which Japan demands practically complete possession.

It is believed here that China has already appealed to the United States to take action to curb what it terms the rapacity of Japan and developments are being anxiously awaited in diplomatic circles.

SEEK TWO ROBBERS WHO ESCAPED WITH $9,500 FROM BANK

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Two young men were sought by all the police in Chicago today for the robbery of the Gerbiten's bank, in Twenty-second st. and within 100 feet of the Twenty-second st. police station. The bandits entered the front door of the bank late yesterday with drawn revolvers, marched Henry R. Pontorno, owner of the bank, and three employes into a washroom, tied them with ropes and escaped with $9,500 in currency. The robbery was not discovered for several hours. Tony Anesto, who owns a fourth interest in the bank and building, was shot by Blackhanders Sunday night and is in the hospital. The police today said they thought the robbery was also a blackhand job.

FARMER DYING FROM BLOW ON THE HEAD

MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 19.—Charles Kitsmiller, 35 years old, a wealthy farmer, is dying as the result of being struck over the head with a board by Harry Moore, owner of the Muncie livery stable, following a quarrel between Kitsmiller and Moore. Moore says Kitsmiller attacked him with a knife and used a vile name in referring to Mrs. Moore. The police were not informed until today. Moore is under arrest.

DISMISSES SUIT.

The suit of Minnie Ham Paul against Lee H. Snyder and others which was brought to secure the foreclosure of a mortgage, has been dismissed from the superior court at the cost of the plaintiff.

ZEPPELINS HALT NEUTRAL SHIPS IN "WAR ZONE"

English Vessels Have Thus Far Escaped Destruction But Germany Has Lost Two $30,000 Airships.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—English ships have thus far escaped destruction or damage in the bread war in which German submarines and airships are cooperating in an attempt to cut off England's food supply. The only losses suffered thus far by either of the belligerent nations has been suffered by Germany. Two great Zeppelin airships of the fleet that Germans are using to patrol the North sea and to flash to submarines word of the approach of cargo ships have already been wrecked upon the coast of Denmark.

With the war zone proclamation in effect for less than two days the Germans have thus suffered a monetary loss of $600,000, the cost of the Zeppelins lost off Denmark not having less than $300,000 each.

That Germany had carried out her threat to use the Zeppelins in her new campaign against England was definitely confirmed today by dispatches from Rotterdam telling how the Dutch steamer Helena was held up by the Zeppelin L-5 in the North sea. The zest description of the incident was given by the correspondent of the Daily Express who telegraphed as follows:

"The captain of the Dutch steamer Helena has just described to me how his ship was held up 40 miles from Hask's lightship in the North sea by a German airship which descended near the sea and hoisted signals ordering the steamer to heave to.

Overhauled by Zeppelin.

"The Helena was overhauled by Zeppelin L15 at 10 a. m. The morning was clear and in the sunshine the airship was seen at a great altitude approaching swiftly and rocking like a schooner in a rough sea. It flew directly over the Helena, whose crew distinctly saw 15 or 20 persons in its three cars, which were connected by a covered gangway. The men who wore dark close-fitting tunics, caps like hoods and goggles. They watched the Helena through glasses in a kind of turret in the forepart of the airship. The crew of a quick-firing gun were at their stations and a great naval ensign flew at the stern of the gas bag.

"The airship circled the Helena twice, then appeared to be satisfied and after exchanging signals returned in the direction of the coast."

According to dispatches from Copenhagen, the Zeppelin wrecked off Esjberg yesterday was the L4, whose sister ship, L-3, was destroyed on Fanoe island the day before.

"The Germans declared at the official inquiry," says the correspondent of the Daily Express, "that they had escaped from a wrecked fishing schooner. They then confessed they were survivors from a Zeppelin.

Set Ship Afire and Jump.

"In Wednesday night's storm the airships got into difficulties. They tried to steer in the teeth of the gale but the motor smashed as they neared shore, and, driven down by the snow, the captain gave orders to set the ship on fire and leap for their lives.

"The whole ship was ablaze as the men leaped overboard from a fair height, some two or three miles from shore.

"There were 15 men on board and four were lost. The survivors swam about, clinging to the wreckage, and eventually reached shore near Varde, where, realizing they were on neutral ground, they made for the railroad station and tried to escape by a passing train. One man broke both legs in jumping from the Zeppelin."

The men will be interned at Odense.

ADMITS MURDER AND GETS A LIFE SENTENCE

AKRON, O., Feb. 19.—Harry Boomer, hatchet murderer of Vinnie Becker, mission worker, pale but composed, faced a jury here this morning and pleaded guilty. Judge Ahearn instructed the jury to return a verdict of first degree murder with a recommendation of mercy. Boomer was then sentenced to a life term in the penitentiary.

AFTERNOON TEAS BARRED BY BERLIN AUTHORITIES

LONDON Feb. 19.—A news agency dispatch from Amsterdam states that the authorities in Berlin have prohibited afternoon teas in the cafes on the ground that the functions are unnecessarily extravagant. The Bavarian minister of the interior has entered an egreement with agriculture banks and societies to purchase corn and other supplies. German taxes are increasing.

ANNOUNCES PROGRAM FOR EVENING SERVICES

A five weeks' program for Sunday evenings has been announced by Rev. H. L. Davis, of the First M. E. church. On Feb. 21, there will be a sacred concert by a large vested choir; on Feb. 28, Pat Emmons will relate the story of his conversion; March 7, "Why Are So Many Men Out of Work," by Rev. Mr. Davis; March 14, "The Perils of Great Wealth;" March 21, "The Cause of the Present War." A vested choir will furnish music at all services, which will begin promptly at 7 p. m.

SHIPPING GOES ON AS USUAL.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 19.—Despite the war zone declaration by Germany, which has now been in effect two days, shipping proceeded as usual in this port today.

FRENCH SHIP HIT BY A GERMAN TORPEDO

Steamer is Kept Afloat by Crew at Pumps and Towed to Port.

HAVRE, France, Feb. 19. — The French steamer Dinorah, was torpedoed early today without warning by a German submarine a few miles from the French port of Dieppe.

The German torpedo failed to sink the Dinorah, but stove in a plate on the port side below the water line. The steamer was kept afloat by her crew at the pumps and she was towed into Dieppe.

The Dinorah was bound from Havre for Dunkirk when she was attacked by the German submarine, believed to be the U-16 which sank the steamer Ville De Lille on Tuesday.

Several fishing boats were in the vicinity when the Dinorah was attacked. These fled into Dieppe and assistance was promptly sent to the Dinorah. Word was also flashed to the French naval base at Cherbourg and a fleet of French destroyers was dispatched from that port in search of the German submarine.

CAPTURE MEAT THIEVES AFTER A REVOLVER FIGHT

Charles Powalski Tries to Escape Handcuffs by Throwing Pepper in Officer's Face — Two Others Are Implicated.

When "N. Y. 4," a special fast meat train of the New York Central lines stopped in the vicinity of Winkler's junction early Thursday morning, a series of thrilling events occurred which culminated in the arraignment Friday morning of what the police department claims are three of the cleverest freight car thieves in northern Indiana.

A revolver battle between Special Officer Shannon and the would-be robbers, a handful of pepper thrown in the officer's face, the recovery of some $300 worth of meats and the implication of several other more or less disreputable citizens of the west end are the principal details of the episode.

When the train pulled to a stop, Shannon was lying in wait, having had warning that an attempt would be made to enter one of the cars. The sound of boxes thrown to the ground caused Shannon to move from his position so that he could better view the operation of the thieves. But they saw him first and attempted to escape. The chase led across vacant fields in the vicinity of the junction, and when Shannon, after the three men had fired at him twice, shot at them, one of them fell.

Finds 700 Pounds of Meat.

He was Charles Powalski. Shannon placed the handcuffs upon him, but during the struggle, Powalski reached into a coat pocket and stepping back quickly, threw a handful of pepper into the officer's face. That means of escape, it was said, originated in the yards of the larger cities, where battles between crooks and officers are common.

Scattered along the fence near the scene, the officer found 700 pounds of meats which had been stolen from the car. In his alleged confession to the police department, Charles Powalski implicated his brother, Henry, and Antone Smagielski in the crime. They were arrested, but pleaded not guilty to the charges in city court Friday morning. Both brothers have done time for stealing from freight cars, while Smagielski is at present on parole for a similar offense.

The Powalski brothers are also accused of the robbery of a car on last Friday night, at which time $15 worth of meats were taken. Charles pleaded guilty to that charge also, but Henry maintained his innocence.

In Charles Powalski's confession he declared that a shed at 1512 Liston st. had been used as a place of concealment for loot stolen from cars. A search of the premises there by Shannon resulted in the finding of nearly 200 pounds of packed meats.

The cases of all three men were continued until next Thursday morning. Bond in each case was fixed at $500.

Put your ear to the ground and hear the good times coming.

BUY IT NOW

It's a pretty poor dollar that can't "come back." Your dollar spent now will go through the pockets of hundreds and finally come back.

THOUSANDS WANT INDIANA PUT IN "PROHI" COLUMN

Petitions and Memorials Are Presented to House Asking Enactment of State-Wide Prohibition Law.

CONSTITUTION CHANGE CONSIDERED IN SENATE

Van Horne's Housing Bill Reported Favorably in House by Judiciary Committee B—Apply to Cities Over 30,000.

INDIANA'S 69TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FROM THE NEWS-TIMES INDIANAPOLIS BUREAU

BULLETIN.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 19.—The house committee on affairs of the city of Indianapolis, of which Rep. Deniston is chairman, this morning reported divided on the Bell city finance board bill which has created more discussion here than any other. Eight of the 11 members of the committee, including Deniston, Floor Leader Branaman, and two other democrats voted against the measure, and three democrats voted in its favor.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 19.—Petitions and memorials signed by thousands of men and women from all parts of Indiana were presented to the house of representatives today, all asking for the enactment of a state-wide prohibition law. Rep. McGonagle of Delaware county presented a petition bearing the signatures of 2,684 men and 2,018 women. Rep. Dunmire offered petitions of 756 men and 681 women of Elkhart county; Rep. Wright presented those from Allen county bearing signatures of 1,429 women and 1,157 men; Judkins presented the signatures of 600 Wayne county residents; Wait of Grant offered a petition from that county signed by 981 men and 1,160 women. It is understood this shower of petitions has just been started, and that there will be many more every day. A public hearing on the Wright prohibition bill will be held by the house committee on public morals on Tuesday evening.

Consider Amendments.

In the senate today, the proposed constitutional amendments were up for consideration. The 16th amendment proposing to reform the state tax laws was killed 25 to 20 after a spirited debate. The 17th amendment was lost 28 to four. It would give the assembly power to amend or alter corporation laws. The 18th proposed amendment for the omission of the word "white" in defining the membership of the state militia was adopted, 36 to six. The 19th amendment providing that salaries and terms of officials shall not be increased while they retain offices was adopted 40 to two. Democratic Floor Leader Van Nuys was responsible for the adoption by a vote of 28 to 18 of the 20th proposed amendment providing that the constitution can be changed by a majority vote of electors and providing for a constitutional convention if the people of the state desire it.

Eight new bills were introduced in the house today and 11 were handed down from the senate for first reading. The specific appropriations bill was read for the first time in the house today and without discussion was ordered printed.

Housing Bill in Favors.

Rep. Van Horne's bill to limit the housing bill so it would apply only to cities of more than 30,000 inhabitants was reported favorably in the house today by the comittee on judiciary B. Favorable reports also were presented on two of Rep. Cleary's bills, providing that 10 property owners any, upon petition, force matters into court where public improvements are being delayed, and eliminating charges for the use of water, gas and electric meters.

Pass Appropriation Bill.

The house Thursday afternoon voted to adopt the general appropriations of the regular appropriation bill.

The carries a total of $23,831,620 annually for the two-year period covered.

The proposed constitutional amendments, known as the Stotzenburg amendments, which were agreed to by the legislature of 1913 and which must be approved by the present legislature before they may be submitted to a popular vote, were the subject of consideration in the senate on third reading.

The amendment which would make it possible for women to vote in Indiana, was adopted by the announced vote of 29 to 12.

The amendment which would enable the general assembly to enact a workmen's compulsory compensation law for injuries or death occurring in hazardous employment and to define hazardous employment, was agreed to, 36 to 6.

Section 5 of the proposed amendments, one of those particularly advocated by Gov. Ralston and which would give him the power to veto any part of an appropriation bill without vetoing all of it, was adopted, 30 to 10.