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THE ARIZONA LAW

The British and Italian ambassadors to the United States at Washington are vigorously protesting to the department of state against the enactment of the 80 per cent law recently voted through the initiative in the state of Arizona. The ambassadors contend that the law is in conflict with the treaties of their respective countries.

While it is generally understood and acknowledged in this country that a treaty between the United States and foreign countries precedes the law of any state or its possessions, it is still more and equally important to know and appreciate that there are many forms of treaties, and on this question hinges the ultimate outcome, whether the Arizona law is valid or not. In a narrower sense treaties may be divided into many classes as, political, economic, guarantee, surety, neutrality, alliance, friendship, boundary, cession, exchange, jurisdiction, extradition, commerce, navigation, peace, etc. Most of these classes are sufficiently described by their titles.

The British ambassador has since admitted that he erred in his contention, and it would not in the least be surprising to read at any time that the Italian ambassador acted under strange hallucinations in which he believed his countrymen to be imposed upon in our sister state.

But few Englishmen are employed at common labor in the United States; they have different aspirations. The Italians on the other hand perform a great per centage of common labor especially in the mines, and mining is Arizona's chief industry.

In the light of present conditions it would appear that Arizona has a legal right to say whether or no she will admit the employment of 20 per cent of her laborers who do not respect the United States sufficiently to become her citizens. The treaty will be broadly interpreted.

CONGRESSIONAL ISSUES

Congress convened at Washington, Monday to wind up the affairs of the 63rd session and which ends on noon March 4. The rivers and harbors bill is the first to come up for consideration and when it does, a glittering array of oratory and fireworks will be set in motion, both for and against the measure. Congress ground down the rivers and harbors appropriation to twenty million dollars in October, but that is not all. It is now planned to add another thirty million dollars to the appropriation.

This amount will go a long way towards exploiting creeks with not enough water to float a muskrat, and to pay a political debt. Departmental engineers have recommended waterway appropriations in but few instances for the present budget, but in spite of this, southern democratic members are bent on seeing the appropriation pass without a hitch. But there is more to it than mere passage. 100,000,000 people are keeping a close check on congress to see which way they will vote in 1916. This should have some weight with the moulders of public opinion, and it will have if they value their jobs at anything.

Judge B. S. Rodey in a statement sets forth many valuable ideas on how to run the state of New Mexico, in a recent issue of the New Mexican. The judge touches on many subjects, but the most important he designed is the introduction of the primary election and the Australian ballot in the next legislature. The primary election is not so important as the Australian ballot, especially so since the two year term is in effect. The thread-worn contention that certain classes do not understand this system is too old. The Australian ballot never will be understood until this class has an opportunity to use it intelligently.

Chairman Ralph Ely must be accredited with being the strongest man New Mexico can produce for its next governor, and the News goes on record as saying that if he will accept the nomination he is elected right now. Also, he would be of much service in Washington, but he is needed more at home where development awaits the guiding hand. However, the election is two years hence.

The libel law of New Mexico was designed to force the press in saying flowery things about officials when in reality their acts would not become a man on the scavenger wagon, who would be a shining example to pattern after.

The state expended over a half million dollars on its highways during the past fiscal year. We know of one section that received but little from that amount.

Those politicians in Union county are again stirring up a batch of gunpowder to set off when the legislature convenes. The fuse is already sputtering.

Liquor is a potent factor when the treasury is broke, as it is now proving with the additional tax placed on it.

There never was a better time than right now to advertise the resources of Cimarron for the year of 1915.

SPARTAN RUSSIAN COLONEL

Kissed His Dead Son and Continued to Give Orders to His Troops.

Petrograd.—The Russian Journal Sviet tells the following story of the Spartan conduct of Colonel Loupoukhine. He was listening, after the first great battle of Galicia, to the reading of the report of his regiment's casualties.

"We have lost 200 killed and wounded," he was told.

"How many soldiers killed?" demanded Colonel Loupoukhine.

"So many."

"How many officers killed?"

"Only one."

"What is the name of this officer?"

"Lieutenant Loupoukhine."

"Not a muscle of Colonel Loupoukhine's face moved."

"Where was the officer killed?"

"A asked."

"The place was indicated. He went to the body of his dead son, dismounted from his horse, kissed the forehead and lips of his child, made the sign of the cross, remounted, and continued giving orders."

CHICAGO GIRL BUYS ARMS

Miss Gladys Lewis Acts as Agent for One of the Nations of Europe

New York.—That a European government has commissioned an American girl to purchase firearms for use along the battle front in Europe developed when it was learned that Miss Gladys A. Lewis of Chicago is the mysterious "G. A. Lewis" who has been negotiating with the Standard Arms Manufacturing company of Wilmington, Del. for all the military rapid-fire guns that concern can make in the next two years, regardless of cost.

The name of the government has been withheld for obvious reasons, but it was confirmed that Miss Lewis is the official representative in the negotiations.

IGNORES KAISER; SAVES ARMY

Ruler Reported to Have Advised Suicide for General Who Disobeyed His Orders.

Paris.—The entire German left wing would have been annihilated during the battle of the Marne if General von Hausen had not disregarded the Kaiser's orders, declares the Warsaw Gazette in confidential reports from Berlin. When the battle was going against the Germans the Kaiser commanded the left to continue the advance, but Von Hausen, realizing his flank was strongly menaced, refused to obey.

When the news reached the Kaiser of the Prussian guards' retreat from Vitry-le-Francois he said bitterly:

"Is General von Hausen still alive? A Samurai would have committed suicide."

SHEEP LEAD BATTLE CHARGE

Then Cossacks Ride Over Animals' Bodies to Overcome Wire Entanglements.

London.—A correspondent of the Daily Mail, who has been traveling in the East Prussian field of operations, describes a Cossack device to overcome wire entanglements. He says:

"This being a great grazing country, when troops of Cossacks are charging batteries they drive immense flocks of sheep and cattle before them right on to the tangled mass of wire. They then charge their horses over the platform of flesh, sabering the gunners in the very trenches behind."

"This plan, however, was soon imitated by the Germans, who were just as fearless and successful in carrying it out."

LUNATICS LOOSED IN FRANCE

Unfortunates From Asylum in Northern Part of Country Are Near Starvation.

Paris.—The war correspondent of the Journal, Andre Tudesque, in describing the past week's hostilities in northern France, says after taking Baillieu, the Germans turned loose hundreds of lunatics from a big insane asylum located there. The unfortunates wandered through the devastated country for days suffering from cold and hunger. Some died from their privations. The French soldiers found a number of the lunatics hiding in ditches and many are still at large.

Make Rampart of Dead Men.

Paris.—In one of the hottest corners of the vast battlefield of the Marne the Germans were hard pressed by the French, and driven from their trenches. To check the victorious advance of the French troops they raised a rampart of dead and wounded. This wall, six feet high, the Turcos had to scale before they dislodged the enemy with their bayonets. In this corner of the fighting 7,000 German dead were found.

Start Risk Bureau.

Washington.—War risk marine insurance bureau, similar to that recently put in operation by the United States, have been established by the governments of Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Norway and Sweden, according to announcement made today by the department of commerce.

BLUNDER IS COSTLY

Belgian Regiment Almost Wiped Out on the Yser.

Germans by False Uniform Trap Worn Out Foes—Only 100 Survive of 600 Men—Deep Water in Trenches

London, England.—The Daily News describes the terrible experiences of one Belgian regiment during the battle on the coast when this regiment withdrew from Antwerp. Through an error it was given two days drill and inspection, instead of rest, and then went into action again in the network of trenches on the banks of the Yser. The newspaper's correspondent in his dispatch quotes one of the soldiers in this body as follows:

"There was a farm on our right and some of our men were firing at it when the door opened and three officers in Belgian uniforms stepped out, shouting to cease firing. We sent a detachment of men to the farm and they were swept away by machine gun fire."

Trench Filled With Water.

"Later we entered the trenches. They were full of water and I was firing for six hours, thigh deep in water. The German machine guns shot us out of crevices in a raised bank only a few yards across the river. The Germans then got into our cross trenches and fired down our lines. We had to run back. I was too sleepy to run. I must have fallen asleep and then we must have been ordered to advance. I was too tired to get up, but some one kicked me and I got up, as did the man in front of me. He immediately was shot through the head and fell back on me. I got up again. A shell burst near me and three men who were running past just disappeared."

In Trenches With Germans.

"I found myself running forward again with others with fixed bayonets onto the Germans, who were firing from our own trenches. We were 200 left from 600. They did not wait, but scrambled over the bank across the river. We crouched in a big trench in muddy water. It was dark and we heard, we thought, Germans whispering on the river side of our bank only six feet away from us. The speakers were 300 Germans who had stayed on our side, fearing to cross the river under our fire."

Only 100 of Regiment Left.

"So we stayed all night. Neither they nor we slept. Some of our men who crept up the bank to look over were shot. Some of the Germans climbed over and we fired at their heads, hands and arms as they became visible. A few made holes through the loose earth, through which we fired on each other. Then the French got around the end and there was heavy firing. We heard a few of the enemy slipping down to the river edge and the splashing of water. Then we scrambled over the bank and won. Only 100 of our regiment now remain."

BULLETS FAIL TO KILL HIM

British Army Officer Has Many Close Calls From Death in Battle Lines.

London.—Lieut. A. C. Johnston, well known as Hants county's premier cricketer, is beginning to believe that he bears a charmed life. He has been sent home wounded from the front, but he said he considers himself mighty lucky to be even alive. He had many narrow escapes from death.

The day before he was wounded the nose of a shell hit a wall six inches over his head. Shortly after a bullet hit the ground a half yard ahead of him, glanced up and hit him on the body, only bruising him. Then a bullet hit him over the heart, "but it was spent," and he picked it out of his breast pocket and sent it home to his wife as a souvenir. His final escape came while he was sitting on the steps of a house. Half the building was blown up and he was not even touched.

FRANCE WILL TRAIN BOYS

Physical and Military Instruction Ordered to Be Given 300,000 Youths.

Bordeaux.—The French government, through the minister of public instruction, has directed Baron Pierre de Coubertin, president of the French Olympic games committee, to organize the physical and military training of the young men of France, and especially of those youths who would come normally into the army in 1916. These young men number between 275,000 and 300,000.

Canada to Send More Men.

Ottawa, Ont.—Canada will raise immediately and send to the front a second expeditionary force of 20,000 men, with a first reinforcement of 10 per cent, making 22,000 in all.

This will bring the total of Canada's force at the front up to more than 50,000 men.

Russian Girls Dig Trenches.

Petrograd.—To the local peasantry, among them many girls, is attributed in part the failure of the German attempts to cross the Vistula during the recent fighting. The girls aided the Russian soldiers by digging trenches.



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HEALTH MOVE BY BRITAIN
Three Consulting Physicians Assigned to Duty With Expeditionary Force in France.
London.—The British Medical Journal states that the war office has appointed Sir John Ross Bradford, Sir Wilmot Herringham and Sir Almroth Wright consulting physicians with the British expeditionary force in France. Field Marshal Earl Kitchener, the Journal says, also has decided to appoint a special army sanitary committee to advise the army council on all questions pertaining to the health of the troops.

Sir John Sloggett will be sent to France to co-ordinate the work of the army medical service with that of St. John's ambulance and the Red Cross, of which he will be chief commissioner.

HAS 1,500,000 IN RESERVE
Great Britain Has Monster Army in Training on the Home Soil.

London.—The British army on rolls and drilling in the United Kingdom now amounts approximately to 1,500,000 men. Of this total about eight hundred thousand men belong to what is termed "Kitchener's army"—men who have responded to his two calls for 500,000 soldiers to serve three years or for the duration of the war. About six hundred thousand belong to the territorials, while the remainder are enrolled with the special reserves, so called, or with the regular army, and have seen service previously.

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