

# EPITOME OF EVENTS

PARAGRAPHS THAT PERTAIN TO MANY SUBJECTS.

ARE SHORT BUT INTERESTING

Brief Mention of What is Transpiring in Various Sections of Our Own and Foreign Countries.

## WAR NEWS.

A manifesto opposing conscription has been issued at London by a comparatively small number of members of the British parliament.

Great Britain has informed Greece that if she would give her full, immediate support to Serbia against Bulgaria, Great Britain was prepared to give her the island of Cyprus.

David Lloyd-George, the British minister of munitions, speaking for Premier Asquith in the House of Commons, denied that Great Britain was engaged directly or indirectly in peace negotiations.

As the result of the activity of British submarines in the Baltic the rate of Swedish war insurance on ships bound for German ports has been doubled, according to a Copenhagen dispatch.

All the belligerent powers have granted the request of Pope Benedict that Sunday be made a day of absolute repose for prisoners of war. Several of the countries in their replies said that they already had been observing this rule.

The Russian government is busy making war munitions and importing them from Japan in preparation for a big drive that is expected to begin in the early spring, according to Albert B. Thayer of Cincinnati, who arrived in New York from Copenhagen.

Although it is denied in Paris that a ministerial crisis has arisen there, M. Viviani, leader of the coalition cabinet, has withdrawn from the premiership and ex-premier Aristide Briand, known as a forceful statesman, is now engaged in the task of forming a new ministry.

## GENERAL.

Petitions were placed in circulation at Phoenix, Ariz., recently for the recall of Governor George P. Hunt on the ground that he is incompetent and has disregarded the courts.

H. B. Whitehouse, head of the Omaha agency of the National Cash Register company, said, that from the check taken by himself recently there are sixty-one new stores in Omaha, opened since January 1.

The act of the legislature levying a tax on anthracite coal and providing for the collection and distribution of such tax on the coal mined within the state, was declared unconstitutional by the Pennsylvania state supreme court.

St. Joseph, Mo., is to have a new two-mile automobile speedway of concrete, Jack Prince, promoter, has received the assurance of business men and commercial organizations there that the project would be backed satisfactorily.

The supreme court of Wisconsin held that typhoid fever contracted through drinking water furnished by the employer and resulting in the death of said employe is an accident and within the meaning of the workmen's compensation act.

Captain Anton G. Thomsen of the Frederik VIII, which arrived in New York a few days ago, completed his 339th voyage between Denmark and New York as a master. He received his master papers in 1881, and his record shows that he has covered nearly 1,600,000 miles during his time as master.

Porter Charlton, former Omaha boy who has been on trial in Como, Italy, charged with murdering his wife at Lake Como in 1910, was condemned to six years and eight months imprisonment. The jury found Charlton only partially responsible. Owing to amnesty, Charlton will serve only twenty-nine days in prison.

Albanians in the Kosovo district of Serbia, the Prizren region, have begun hostilities against the Serbians, according to the official statement by the Bulgarian war office issued at Sofia.

A mass for the repose of the souls of those who have fallen in the European war will be celebrated in St. John Lateran church, Rome, Italy, on Sunday, November 7, in the presence of the sacred college and the diplomatic bodies.

United States immigration inspectors raided the Pacific Mail steamer Mongola at San Francisco and captured eighty-six Chinese stowaways who arrived on the steamer from the orient on its last trans-Pacific voyage.

Thirteen persons were killed and eight injured by a fire in a four-story building, the two upper floors of which were occupied by the Union Paper Box Co., in Pittsburg, Pa. Of the dead all were young women employed by the company except one.

Culver Military academy, at South Bend, Ind., lost its black horse troop, the sixty-five horses being burned to death when crossed wires in a barn in which they were housed, started a fire which destroyed the building.

Outlining the policies of the Illinois Equal Suffrage association, Mrs. Grace Wilbur Trout, president, declared against any alliance with either wet or dry factions.

Twenty-one children, most of them girls, ranging in age from 7 to 17 years, lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the St. John's parochial school at Peabody, Mass.

The steamship Eastland, which tipped over in the Chicago river, August 6, with a loss of 812 lives, may be used as a government naval training ship, it was announced in Chicago.

California, in a general election on the question of making the state government wholly nonpartisan as its county governments and some state offices now are, voted flatly against it.

Permission for 5,000 Carranza troops to journey through American territory from Laredo, Tex., to Douglas, Ariz., where they will re-enter Mexico, has been granted by the United States government, according to reports.

The faculty of Knox college at Galesburg, Ill., decided that football at that institution shall be discontinued, at least this year, because of the death of Bryan Scott, injured in the game with St. Louis October 16, and who later died.

Drastic action by officials of Kansas City, Kan., to prohibit illegal sale of beer by breweries was taken when three drivers were arrested, sentenced to jail and the beer and trucks confiscated. The drivers were fined \$500 each and given six months in jail. More than 100 cases of beer were destroyed.

Nearly three-quarters of a million people heard Mr. Sunday deliver a total of 100 sermons and almost 13,000 persons, men, women and children, hit the sawdust trail during seven weeks' revival in Omaha. As a recompense for his services Mr. Sunday was given a free will offering of \$20,000.

## SPORTING.

Charles Cutler of Chicago, defeated Floyd Domer of Polo, Ill., in two straight fives, in thirty-eight and nineteen minutes, respectively, at Deadwood, So. Dak.

Nelly the Great, a 2-year-old trotting filly, made a new world's record for a half-mile track at Springfield, O., when at a breeders' meeting, she stepped a mile in 2:15 1/2. The former record was 2:16 1/2.

Outwheeled to a certainty and outplayed in many departments of the game, Nebraska university's big football team defeated at Lincoln, Neb., the formidable Notre Dame crew by the remarkable score of 20 to 19.

Alexander Aberg of Russia, world's champion at Greco-Roman wrestling, successfully defended his title, throwing Wladek Zyzsko, the Pole, after one hour and four minutes wrestling at Madison Square Garden, New York.

Fred Fulton was accorded a newspaper decision over Arthur Pelky in the fifth round of the scheduled ten-round bout at Oshkosh, Wis. Fulton had knocked Pelky down twelve times in this round, and the referee stopped the fight.

That the Kansas City club of the Federal league lost \$35,322.13 this year, although finishing high in the race, was incorporated in a report made to a stockholders' meeting of the club in Kansas City, by Conrad H. Mann, president.

## WASHINGTON.

The justice department announced a decree entered at Philadelphia against the Philadelphia & Reading railway, divorcing the company's coal and iron holdings as well as its navigation line.

Secretary Daniels has signed an order for the construction at the Washington navy yard of a giant biplane for the navy, the first aircraft to be built at any government establishment. Plans for the machine are prepared.

Speaker Champ Clark has been invited by President Wilson to confer with him some time before congress convenes on the general legislative program for the next session, particularly the administrative plans for national defense.

President Wilson announced that he would receive on December 6 Sarah Bard Field and Miss Frances Joliffe, representatives of the woman voters' convention recently held in San Francisco, who will present a petition urging nation-wide suffrage for women.

America's long considered protest against British interference with commerce between the United States and Europe has been dispatched to London by special messenger and will be presented by Ambassador Page to the British Foreign office this week.

A navel aviation corps independent of the navy proper, with the same status as the marine corps, will be recommended to congress by Secretary Daniels as one step toward the improvement of the aviation service at sea.

An underwater wireless telegraph system, said to be superior to any European device, is being perfected by the navy's experts. It is to be kept for exclusive naval use for communication between submarines. Its development for battle ships and other vessels is hoped for.

Elaborate plans for a world-wide campaign for trade by the United States are revealed in the estimates of the department of commerce expenditures for the next fiscal year to be presented to congress this winter.

# CONDENSED NEWS OF INTEREST TO ALL.

The Ponce Weekly Advocate claims there is not a vacant house in that place.

The Beatrice Commercial club is considering a proposition of erecting a community club house.

Spontaneous combustion caused the destruction of the Ponek mills at Lynch, with the loss of \$7,500.

President Wilson has appointed Samuel G. Hudson postmaster of Lincoln. His selection was urged by W. J. Bryan.

Thomas Murray of Dunbar was elected president of the Nebraska bankers' association at its session at Omaha.

Burwell was visited by a disastrous fire last week. The Frank Wegryn livery barn and two other buildings were burned.

Beatrice young women have organized a Y. W. C. A. and a committee has been selected to raise funds for the securing of quarters.

Officers of the farmers' co-operative creamery, at a meeting in Fremont have decided to locate their new plant in that town.

Manual training pupils in Omaha are preparing a large number of bird houses, to be placed in the parks there next season.

The third week of the Lowery meetings at York ended Saturday, Oct. 23. At the close of the second week since the invitation was given for sinners to hit the sawdust trail more than four hundred have gone forward.

The St. Francis hospital at Harrison was open to the public last week. This is the first and only hospital in Sioux county. Dr. Borglum, who is in charge of the institution, will start a tubercular colony in the spring.

William, alias "Dan" Jordan, was found guilty by a Scotsbluff jury of the murder of Joseph Layton. His punishment was fixed at imprisonment in the state penitentiary for life. The jury verdict and sentence met the general public's approval.

The Nebraska-Notre Dame game at Lincoln October 23 set a new mark in Husker finances, the total receipts being \$11,700. The previous high mark was two years ago for the Nebraska-Minnesota game, when receipts were slightly over \$8,000.

The government census bureau has made by arithmetical calculations the following estimates of the population of Nebraska cities in 1915: Omaha, 163,200; Lincoln, 46,028; Grand Island, 12,519; Hastings, 10,470; Beatrice, 10,137; Fremont, 9,494.

Mrs. Fred J. Eppson of Sydney, Australia, 28 years of age, was killed, and her husband quite badly injured, when the automobile in which they were riding turned over one mile west of Fremont. The machine turned completely over and righted itself.

Refusal on the part of Mrs. B. F. Reynolds to allow the placing of a buttress in the basement of her millinery store at Hastings, resulted in the abandonment upon the part of William Brach of plans for the erection of a \$75,000 six-story office building soon to have been submitted to contractors.

The expenses of fifty Presbyterian pastors and laymen in Nebraska in the fight to make Nebraska dry in 1916 will be fully and completely paid by the national board of temperance of the Presbyterian assembly. Announcement of this plan was made recently at the state synod at Aurora by Dr. Robert C. Westenberg, secretary of the board of temperance.

Will Hawk, living near Loup City, met with a severe accident while riding a spirited animal one day last week. In turning a corner he was thrown to the ground. His head struck the stump of a tree, inflicting a very severe scalp wound. Nearly one-half of the scalp was peeled from his head.

John Otto, son of a farmer residing one and a half miles south of York, suffered a fractured skull and other serious injuries when his clothing was caught in a belt of an engine. His head struck against the engine at every revolution of the drive wheel. He was assisting in baling straw at the time of the accident.

An unusual case of rabies has developed in a horse belonging to Lee Snyder, near Lushton. A veterinarian called from McCool watched the animal until it died from the loss of blood from its self-inflicted wounds. When the veterinarian called he was attacked by the animal and it was with difficulty that he got away without serious injury.

The European war is delaying the shipment of buildings materials for the new buildings to be constructed at the state university and the farm at Lincoln under the campus extension fund. Contractors on the new building at the farm report some of the iron work, which was to have been shipped, has been delayed because the factories are overworked with orders for supplies from the allies.

The Fillmore County Signal, published at Geneva, has celebrated its fortieth anniversary. For twenty-one years the paper has been published by the present owner and editor, Frank O. Edgcombe.

The Carnegie library at College View is about completed. All the exterior work is done, and all that remains is a few finishing touches on the inside. The library board is making plans for the dedication, which probably will be held within the next few weeks. The building cost about \$7,000.

The contract for the material and erection of the electric transmission line between Pawnee City and DuBois has been let by the village board of DuBois to a Lincoln concern and work will begin as soon as the material can be placed on the ground.

Between 12,000 and 13,000 converts were the result of Billy Sunday's campaign in Omaha, which closed Oct. 24. His recompense for his labors were \$20,000. In all 722,000 people heard the evangelist preach during his seven weeks' stay in Nebraska's metropolis.

The Peru Commercial club has been reorganized.

National guard companies are soon to be established at Crawford, Gordon and Plattsmouth.

Manufacturers of the state will hold their annual convention in Lincoln November 15 and 16.

The Nebraska State Bar association will hold its annual session in Omaha December 28 and 29.

The Ravenshaw high school authorities have cancelled all football dates of the team on account of rough playing.

James K. Keithly, for the past ten years editor and publisher of the Syracuse Journal, died at his home in that city.

The evangelistic revival meetings to be held at Seward will begin November 7. A tabernacle seating 1,500 has been erected.

While hanging up a 22-caliber rifle C. H. Jessup of Aurora accidentally shot himself through the abdomen and is in a precarious condition.

West Point citizens will give a five number lecture course this winter free of charge, the cost of the course to be raised by voluntary subscription.

A steam tractor and complete threshing outfit ran over and killed Elmer Benedict near Dalton. The man was lying in direct path of the tractor.

M. C. Miller, a Seward merchant, has been awarded first prize by a Chicago concern, that was seeking tall corn. Miller's entry measured 15 feet, 10 inches.

Twenty good roads enthusiasts from Clay County, including Mayor Adams, met with Hastings business men recently in the interests of good roads co-operation.

An effort is being made in North Bend to enforce the state law on the sale and use of tobacco by minors. The woman's club is taking an active part in the campaign.

Tom Doctor of Belleville, welterweight champion of Kansas, won over Ross Robinson of Lincoln, champion welterweight wrestler of Nebraska, in two straight falls at Deshler.

Prominent business men of Aurora have organized and incorporated the Hamilton County Speed association and are planning to hold a race meet in June of next year.

The York base ball park is to be dismantled and all paraphernalia sold November 16. The association had a disastrous year, and the season closed with a small deficit.

Sheriff Cole and Chief Crosson are keeping close watch around Hastings for burglars who entered C. Peterson's hardware store at Minden and robbed it of \$500 worth of merchandise.

The first load of barley seen on the streets of Kearney in ten years was brought to town last week. The grain was sold at 30 cent a bushel, there being no market for it in the section.

Joseph Cording was seriously injured and the building occupied by his drug store at Litchfield was totally wrecked by an explosion of turpentine which had leaked from a barrel in storage.

E. P. Curran, who has been editor of the York Daily News-Times for the past four years, has severed his relation with that paper and purchased an interest in the Daily News at Columbus.

Although but a small per cent of the threshing is done Jefferson county farmers have plenty of money. At a sale of nearly 4,000 worth of hogs and cattle near Fairbury recently, every sale was settled in cash.

In a wrestling match at Lincoln Joe Stecher of Dodge easily defeated G. Schoenlein, alias Americus, of Baltimore, in two straight falls. The first fall came in six minutes and a half, and the second in three minutes.

Based on actual surveys, a high school course is proving to be worth more than an investment of \$6,000 in 5 per cent bonds to a farmer, while a course in a College of Agriculture seems to be worth as much more.

From 30 to 100 per cent greater and better yield of potatoes was secured from northern grown seed than from home grown seed this year on farms of the Gage County Farmers' Association members under the direction of the county agricultural agent.

An X-ray examination revealed a broken thigh, a dislocated knee and a crushed ankle bone after his physician had told him there were no broken bones, according to the petition of William Stewart, seventy-two, who filed suit for \$5,000 damages against Dr. J. V. Berthol, Hastings city health officer and former coroner.

A rattlesnake about sixteen inches long was killed on a Lyons sidewalk by Hollis, three and one-half-year-old son of Giles Cleveland. The child ran over the snake while riding his tricycle, and seeing it squirm, he turned and rode over it again and again just to "see it wiggle," not knowing the dangerous character of the reptile. This is the second rattler killed this year on the Lyons sidewalk.

The second shoot through the Omaha and the Wisner Gun clubs for the Charles E. Reese trophy held on the Wisner grounds resulted in a score of 907 to 895, in favor of Wisner, thus giving the Cumming county town title of state championship.

A permanent organization of the Fremont Union Revival association has been completed for the purpose of conducting the Fremont revival in January. One of the first acts of the new body was a vote to enlarge the plans for the Tabernacle to a capacity of 2,500, instead of 1,500.

Mrs. Elijah Morrell of Palmyra was killed and her husband was seriously injured when an automobile in which they were riding struck a bridge banister and fell down a fifteen-foot embankment.

The European war loan has increased interest rates sufficiently to create an uneasiness in Hastings over the sale of \$100,000 worth of intersection bonds authorized by taxpayers, and another election may be necessary before several miles of paving, now ready for contractors' bids, may be built.

# HOT AFTER APE-MAN

\$10,000 REWARD OFFERED FOR ASSAULT OF WOMEN.

TOPEKA COUPLE ARE ATTACKED

Crimes Similar to Kansas Affairs Have Been Committed in Ten Other Cities in 18 Months.

Topeka, Kan.—Governor Capper has offered \$200 reward for the capture and conviction of Arthur Houser, assailant of women. More than \$10,000 in rewards have been offered in ten cities for this man, a former convict, who makes a specialty of catching women and their escorts, tying the man and attacking the woman.

Houser made his third attack here when he caught Francis Kiene, the 19-year-old son of the sheriff of Shawnee county, and Laura Bailey, 16 years old, on their way home from a school party. He took the boy and girl to a grove on the outskirts of town. There Kiene was blindfolded and his hands and feet tied and he was thrown down the bank of a small creek. The man attempted an assault on the girl, but the struggles of the boy to free himself frightened the man away.

The description given by Kiene and Miss Bailey tallied exactly with that of Houser, "the Ape Man," who last fall and winter committed two similar assaults in Omaha. Similar crimes, all committed by a man answering the description of Houser, have been committed in Lawrence, Leavenworth, Wichita, Kansas City, Denver, Springfield Mo.; St. Joseph, St. Louis, Omaha and Chicago in the last eighteen months.

## Coalition Cabinet in France.

Paris.—A new French cabinet headed by Aristide Briand as premier and minister of foreign affairs, is now in existence. This is the first time in the history of the French republic that there is a coalition ministry of all the opposing parties and factions. It follows closely on the recent innovation of forming a British coalition cabinet of conservatives and liberals. The action taken in forming the cabinet was the culmination of a deep popular sentiment that at the supreme crisis of the war party divisions should give way to united action by all the parties in common support of the government. As the result of the cabinet of Rene Vivian being representative of only a few political groups, the ministers presented their collective resignations and President Poincare immediately charged Aristide Briand with the formation of a new organization combining all elements.

## Making New Orleans Rat-Proof.

New Orleans, La.—More than \$4,500,000 has been expended in the last year in an effort to make New Orleans rat-proof and prevent the reappearance of bubonic plague, according to an announcement made here by Dr. R. H. Creel of the United States public health service, in charge of the work. Seventy-four thousand five hundred and twenty-six buildings have been made rat-proof. About 7,000 not considered worth repairing by the owners have been demolished and work is progressing on 29,301 others. Approximately 37,000 buildings still are to be made rat-proof.

## China Can Handle Own Affairs.

Washington.—The United States has declined to express any opinion as to whether it approves the proposed change in China from a republic to a monarchy. It became known that some of the interested powers in seeking to sound the Washington government informally had learned that the latter would take no step that might be construed as an interference in the internal concerns of another sovereign state.

## Idahoan Murders Four.

Boise, Idaho.—William Cameron of Carey, Idaho, shot and killed Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Adamson, his wife's parents, their son, James Adamson, and his own child, aged 18 months, at the home of the Adamsons here. Cameron's wife started divorce proceedings against him recently. He went to the home of her parents to see her and falling to find her he killed everyone in the house.

## Yacht Condemned As Prizes.

London.—The racing yacht Germania, which on two occasions won Emperor William's cup at Cowes, was condemned in prize court as a prize of war.

## T. R. Argues for Suffrage.

Oyster Bay, N. Y.—Former President Theodore Roosevelt in a letter read at a woman suffrage meeting here, reiterated his belief in the extension of suffrage to women and answered some of the arguments of those opposing it.

## Famous Horse Brings \$15,600.

Lexington, Ky.—Ballot, son of Voter and reputed one of the greatest thoroughbred race horses of modern times, brought \$15,000 at the sale of stallions, brood mares and yearlings here.

## Fifty-five Convicts Confirmed.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Fifty-five convicts in the Eastern penitentiary have just been confirmed by Episcopal Bishop Garland. Nearly forty others, who have joined the prison bible class, will be ready for confirmation within a short time.

## Boy Injured in Football Game Dies.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Clark Mansell, 17 years of age, of Hobart, Okla., died in a hospital here from injuries received in a football game. He was paralyzed from the waist down.

# Diese Abteilung ist für die Familienglieder, welche am liebsten Deutsch lesen.

## Vom Schauplatz des europäischen Völker-Krieges

Die Lage in Frankreich, Russland, Italien und Serbien.

Zeit vielen Tagen ist die militärische Lage Deutschlands und seines Verbündeten nicht in solch günstiger und vielversprechender Verfassung gewesen wie heute. Auf drei Fronten befinden die Deutschen sich in erfolgreicher Offensive. An der westlichen Front scharft sich während der großen Offensive von den Alliierten eroberte Terrain unter deutschen Gegenangriffen sichtlich zusammen, im Osten wurden die Russen weiter auf Dinaburg zurückgeworfen. Südlich von Binsl, wo die Russen seit Wochen verjagt, den Vorstoß der deutschen Verbündeten auf Sarau, den Knotenpunkt der Wilna-Rowno- und Kowel-Kiew-Bahn zu verhindern, sind sie weiter zurückgedrängt worden und stehen nunmehr auf dem Ufer des Strz-Flusses. Auf dem neuen Kriegsschauplatz, an der serbischen Front treiben die Heere der deutschen Verbündeten die Serben vor sich her, nachdem der Uebergang über die Grenzflüsse an mehreren Punkten befeuert worden ist.

Auch an der italienischen Grenze ist die Lage, wie aus Wien gemeldet wird, höchst zufriedenstellend. Zug für Zug machen die Italiener zwar die Anläufe gegen die Bergstellungen der Defensivtruppen und Ungarn, doch nur, um sich neue, schwere Verluste zuzuziehen. In den letzten Monaten haben sie auch nicht die geringsten Fortschritte zu verzeichnen. Von den Dardanellen hört man gar nichts mehr. Nur die Türken schiden hin und wieder Berichte, die durcheinander jähling lauten, wenn sie auch nicht von großen Erfolgen melden. Das Schwärzen der Franzosen und Engländer ist mehr bezeichnend für den Fehlschlag der Dardanellen-Kampagne als die Siegesberichte der Türken.

Die Franzosen können sich noch immer nicht dazu verstehen, das Jockelose ihrer Offensive in der Champagne und im Artois-Gebiet einzufrieren, und trotz der furchtbaren Verluste machen sie immer wieder neue Versuche zum Angriff. Tatsächlich sind es gerade diese Angriffe, die den Deutschen dadurch, daß sie die vorgehenden Truppen teilweise vernichten, das Vordringen erleichtern. Der Zug wird bald kommen, an dem die Franzosen es für besser befinden, die nutzlosen Angriffe einzufrieren und zum Stellungskrieg zurückzuführen.

Der letzte Versuch der Russen birgt weitaus von Dinaburg die Deutschen aus den erhen eben genannten Stellungen zu verdrängen, waren vergebens. Nördlich von der Dinaburg-Bonewesche-Bahn, die sich nördlich von Dinaburg der Düna nähert, wurden sie weiter zurückgedrängt, jedoch auch des nördlich von der Stellung gelegene Terrain nunmehr als gefäubert zu betrachten ist. Die Vorbereitungen zu einem artilleristischen Angriff auf die Stellungswerke sind damit gegeben. Im nördlichen Teile Wolhyniens war die russische Gegenoffensive, die eine Umgehung der deutschen Binsl-Arnee und der Rowno-Arnee bezweckte, ein völliger Fehlschlag. General von Linfingen ließ die Russen zuerst mehrere Tage lang gegen seine befestigten Stellungen auf dem westlichen Ufer des Strz-Flusses anlaufen und ergriff dann gegen die geschwächten russischen Truppen die Offensive. Große Dinge sind in diesem Kampferain in den nächsten Tagen zu erwarten. Die militärische Demonstration der Russen in Ostgalizien und Westarabien, die den schwanzenden Balkanstaaten und namentlich Rumänien zeigen sollte, daß Russland noch ein harter Gegner sei, hatte den entgegengesetzten Erfolg, indem sie nicht nur ihren Zweck nicht erreichte, sondern in Ostgalizien sogar das Schlachtfeld räumen mußten. Die große Armee der deutschen Verbündeten, die wie Petrograd meldet, bei Zarnopol verammelt ist, dürfte bald dem russischen Dasein in Galizien ein Ende bereiten.

## Banawafanal wird geschlossen.

Washington. Bezüglich der Schließung des Panama-Kanals für die Schifffahrt wegen des jenseitigen bedeutenden Erdstößen wird der Präsident keine bestimmte Zeit durch Proklamation bekannt geben, da es nach der Ansicht der Beamten des Kriegsdepartements für das Publikum genügt zu wissen, daß die Störung voraussichtlich einen Monat oder darüber dauern wird. Im übrigen ist das Departement damit einverstanden, daß nach dem Vorlage des amtierenden Gouverneurs Harding den Fahrzeugen, welche den Kanal bereits gekehrt und durch die Störung aufgehalten sind, das Geld zurückerstattet wird, soweit es nicht schon an das Bundeschatzamt abgeführt ist, in welchem Fall die Rückerstattung nur auf Grund eines Edeizergesetzes erfolgen kann.

## Konfiskation rückt immer näher für England.

Birmingham. In einem Appell erklärt der hiesige Werbeauschub, daß das, die letzte Chance ist, einer Konfiskation vorzukommen. Der Appell erklärt, daß Zwangs-aushebung und Kriegsdienst für Frauen nur vermieden werden können, wenn die Freiwilligen bereitwillig eilen als bisher.

(Damit bricht wieder eine englische Lüge zusammen, jene Lüge, daß in England mehr Freiwillige zu den Fahnen strömen, als Richter bezwingen kann, jene Lüge, daß drei Millionen Mann unter den Fahnen stehen.)

## Bugräber erbeuten \$100,000.

Washington. Ober-Inspektor Gregory vom Postdepartement berichtet, daß \$1,000,000 in Bundes-Referer Baufnoten, die sich auf dem Zuge befanden der Central, W. Va., von Räubern überfallen wurde, in Sicherheit sind, und die Bannoten nicht mehr denn \$100,000 erlangten. Die \$1,000,000 in Bundes-Refererbannoten befinden sich in einem Hofsaal, welchen die Kerle nicht beirrt hatten. Das Geld war für Bundesrefererbanken im Westen bestimmt.

England und seine belgischen „Freunde“.

Wiederholt schon ist berichtet worden, daß die nach England geflüchteten Belgier dort alles andere eher denn ein Paradies gefunden haben. Anfangs ging es ja noch, die Unterbringung der Notleidenden war noch etwas neues und das Land des Sports betrieb die Caritas gewissermaßen sportmäßig. Als sich aber der Mangel an Geld bald einstellte, wurden den belgischen „Freunden“ lästig und befanden das sehr bald zu spüren. Die Unterbringungen wurden schmaler und die Behandlung lieblicher. Wegen kleiner Befehlungen wurden strenge Strafen über die Belgier verhängt. So erging es einem von Antwerpen stammenden nach Scheffeld geflüchteten Manne; als er am 1. April seinen Wohnsitz dort verlegte, verzog er das pflichtgemäß anzuseigen. Jetzt hat ihn das Gericht zu drei Monaten Zwangsarbeit und zur Tragung der Kosten verurteilt. Zwei anderen Belgiern erging es noch schlimmer: sie hatten versucht, den „gaslichen“ Boden Englands im geheimen zu verlassen. Das brachte ihnen je sechs Monate Gefängnis ein.

Dieser Lage teilte Het Volk, das Organ der niederländischen Arbeiterpartei, mit, daß 40,000 belgische Metallarbeiter, die in England arbeiteten, schlechter bezahlt würden als die englischen. Sie würden auch sonst noch zurückgekehrt, so daß auf Witten der Gründung ein Bureau zum Schutze der belgischen Arbeiterinteressen in London eingerichtet werden solle unter der Leitung des früheren Direktors des Heule, des sozialistischen Abgeordneten Ludwig de Bronckere, des Sohnes des bekannter belgischen Staatsmannes.

Unter dem Druck Englands muß auch Frankreich gegen Belgien scharf machen. Einen Beweis dafür bietet das Vorgehen gegen die in Frankreich weilenden verfallenen Belgier, welche sich dem Gestaltungsbegehren der belgischen Regierung in Le Havre entzogen haben. Den Gendarmen wurde Befehl erteilt, diese Leute aufzufahren und sie sofort zu verhaften.

Zimmer und überall zeigt sich Englands wahres Gesicht: Seine mit der Seuchermaske ausgefärbte Scheinheiligkeit. Daselbe verleiht Albion, das zum Schwerte griff, „um die Neutralität Belgiens zu schützen“, hat sich später keinen Augenblick gescheut, denselben Schilling Belgien der Gefahr der Ausbürgerung auszuweisen, als das Land von den Deutschen befehrt war.

## Washington.

Washington. Bezüglich der Schließung des Panama-Kanals für die Schifffahrt wegen des jenseitigen bedeutenden Erdstößen wird der Präsident keine bestimmte Zeit durch Proklamation bekannt geben, da es nach der Ansicht der Beamten des Kriegsdepartements für das Publikum genügt zu wissen, daß die Störung voraussichtlich einen Monat oder darüber dauern wird. Im übrigen ist das Departement damit einverstanden, daß nach dem Vorlage des amtierenden Gouverneurs Harding den Fahrzeugen, welche den Kanal bereits gekehrt und durch die Störung aufgehalten sind, das Geld zurückerstattet wird, soweit es nicht schon an das Bundeschatzamt abgeführt ist, in welchem Fall die Rückerstattung nur auf Grund eines Edeizergesetzes erfolgen kann.

## Konfiskation rückt immer näher für England.