

KAISER PUNISHES LABOR LEADERS

Score of Union Chiefs in Germany Are Called for Military Service.

STRIKE SPREADS TO MUNICH

Commander of Brandenburg Province, Which Includes Berlin, Warns Population Against Disturbances—Clash With Police.

Zurich, Feb. 4.—Twenty strike leaders have been called up for military service by German military leaders as a further effort to break the morale of the protesting workers, according to German dispatches received here.

London, Feb. 4.—A three-days' strike has been declared in Munich, according to a Central News dispatch from Amsterdam.

In Berlin, the dispatch adds, the Orenstein & Koppel Locomotive works employees have joined the strike movement.

An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen says the Berliner Tageblatt reports that the police seized the trade union building in Berlin and arrested Deputy Koersten and other leaders.

The commander in chief of Brandenburg province, which includes Berlin, has issued a warning to the population against disturbances, which, he announces, will be suppressed, according to a semi-official statement to Amsterdam from Berlin.

It is declared in the statement that there are no indications of an extension of the strike in Berlin and that outside the capital there has been little spread of the movement.

All public meetings in Germany were prohibited by order of the superior command in an effort to suppress the general strike.

There was a clash between strikers and the police in the northwestern part of Berlin. One policeman was killed and another injured seriously and a dozen strikers were injured.

WILSON FIGHTS WAR CABINET

President Asks Democratic Senators to Rush Legislative Program.

Washington, Feb. 4.—President Wilson personally appealed to leading Democratic senators to expedite the administration's legislative program. He invited Senator Martin, the Democratic leader, and Senators Thomas, Gerry, Phelan, Shields, Underwood, James, Jones of New Mexico, King and Smith of South Carolina to the White House on Friday and for nearly two hours discussed with them the necessity for "speeding up."

The president suggested increasing the presidential power over executive departments so that he could reorganize any such department that might fall to measure up to the war work.

The president, it is understood, not only said that any bill to curtail his control of the war would be vetoed, but that his emphatic opinion was that congressional agitation for war changes is an encouragement to Germany.

PUT U. S. SOLDIERS IN CAGE

Germans Confine Americans for Four Days Without Food or Water to Make Them Submissive.

With the American Army in France, Feb. 4.—Germany has adopted cruel and barbarous methods of treatment toward American prisoners of war in order to make them divulge military information, according to what is apparently trustworthy information reaching headquarters.

An order to the German troops directs that all prisoners be confined in an iron cage for four days without food or water to make them "submissive." The cages, it was specified, should be so small that the men would have to stand up all the time.

YANKEES TAKE OVER LINE

Secretary Baker Says Americans Have Formally Taken Over Section of Front in France.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Secretary of War Baker officially announced on Thursday that American forces have formally taken over a section of the line in France.

The announcement followed the publication of a dispatch from the American expeditionary force in France telling of the latest raid on the American trenches by German forces, in which two Americans were killed, four wounded and one was made prisoner.

Six Die, 13 Hurt in Rail Crash. Bellingham, Wash., Feb. 4.—Six persons were killed and 13 were injured at Sedro-Woolley as a result of a runaway Northern Pacific freight train crashing into a coach of a Great Northern passenger train there.

Praise Lighthouse Heroes.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Courageous acts performed under conditions extremely hazardous because of the winter weather won official commendation for several employees of the United States lighthouse service.

THE BOY IS GETTING TIRED



FOLLOW DIRECTIONS AND HELP WIN WAR

You would give your life for your country. You would scorn an American whose patriotism ended with waving flags, cheering the troops and standing up when the band plays. You want to serve your country.

Are you willing to do what your government asks? Are you willing to follow directions?

Are you so comfortably fixed that you can afford to eat what you please? Ah, but you can't afford to eat what your country needs. Follow directions.

Are you saving now of your slender means all you possibly can? Still, as far as your circumstances permit, follow directions.

Have you servants who can't be made to understand? It is your chore to see that they do. Follow directions.

Follow directions. Today the direction is to save two slices of bread, an ounce of meat, an ounce of sugar, a snitch of butter. Tomorrow as conditions change there will be new directions. Follow directions.

Follow directions. If Germany wins you will be obeying orders given by some one you will not care to obey. Your government asks you to prove that free people can follow directions.

Follow directions. If we fail in this the war will drag on. As we succeed, we shall sooner have peace. Follow directions.

U. S. TRANSPORTS SAFE

18 FORMER GERMAN LINERS CARRY FORCE TO FRANCE.

Thousands of Officers, Soldiers and Supplies Left American Ports During Last Two Weeks.

Washington, Feb. 1.—The heart of America thrilled on Thursday with the news that the greatest armada in her history—18 huge transports—had arrived safely at French ports with thousands of officers, soldiers and supplies to battle the kaiser.

Stealing out of American ports the last two weeks, the vessels—formerly the best of the Austro-German merchant marine—delivered their precious cargo on European soil unharmed by spies and unobserved by the watchful eyes of submarines.

Protecting them on their voyage were many men of war—fleet, gray monsters—that swept through the waves, grim warning that their transport charges were to be delivered unharmed.

Aboard the transports were thousands of young men—officers for training, troops for service, doctors, nurses and skilled workmen. From all parts of the country they had been secretly assembled at different embarking points along the seaboard. None knew before he left even what vessel he would board—only that he was to be at a given place at a given hour, prepared for a long journey.

Greeks Called to the Colors.

London, Feb. 2.—Sixteen classes of Greek reservists have been called to the colors, a Reuter dispatch from Athens says.

Republic in Crimea.

Petrograd, Feb. 4.—An autonomous republic has been formed in Crimea. It has called its own constitutional assembly. The regional workmen's soldiers' and peasants' committees have recognized the republic.

Ship Sunk; Spain Protests.

Madrid, Feb. 4.—The cabinet met Thursday under the presidency of King Alfonso and decided to send a strong protest to Germany, demanding restoration to Spain for the sinking of the steamship Giralda.

RED CROSS REPORTS

ORGANIZATION ACCOUNTS FOR MONEY ENTRUSTED TO IT.

To Date \$79,450,727.35 Has Been Appropriated for Relief Work—Criticism Answered.

Washington, Feb. 1.—What the American Red Cross has done with the vast sums of money entrusted to it by the people of the United States is stated in detail in a report just issued by the national headquarters. To date, \$79,450,727.35 has been appropriated for relief work in this country and abroad.

For foreign relief \$44,657,795 has been appropriated as follows: France, \$30,519,259.60; Belgium, \$1,999,631; Russia, \$751,940.87; Roumania, \$2,617,398.76; Italy, \$3,146,016; Serbia, \$871,180.76; Great Britain, \$1,793,642; other foreign countries, \$2,536,300; American soldiers who may be taken prisoner, \$343,627.

The foregoing appropriations are from the time the United States entered the war until April 30, 1918. For the United States the Red Cross has appropriated \$2,612,532.60 and the reason this sum is not larger is because the government provides nearly everything our army and navy needs, and besides, there is no civilian distress in this country of any considerable proportions.

The great variety of the military and civilian relief work being done by the Red Cross is indicated briefly in the following list: canteens that afford food, baths and sleeping quarters for men at the front; rest stations and recreation centers for soldiers in transit and at port of arrival in France; care of destitute children; teaching mutilated soldiers new trades; reconstruction of villages; bringing together families of soldiers scattered by the war; farms for convalescent soldiers; sanitariums for tubercular and other patients; food, clothing, medicine, and shelter for the homeless and destitute; and other activities too numerous to mention.

It is stated by the national war council that all salaries and administrative expenses are paid out of membership dues, so that every penny given to the Red Cross war fund has been spent for relief. This answers the rumors that have been circulated about the expenses of operation.

Out of 255 executives in the fourteen divisional offices of the Red Cross in the United States, 59 per cent are women. The policy is to select the most competent person regardless of politics, sex or religion.

GERMANS RAID U. S. TRENCH

Two Americans Killed, Four Wounded and One Taken Prisoner—Yankees Bomb Foes.

With the American Army in France, Feb. 1.—A raid in which the Germans killed two and wounded four and captured one American occurred at 7:15 o'clock Thursday morning.

Drafted men from California bombed the enemy as he retired.

The enemy followed a 15-minute barrage fire from the enemy's biggest guns, cutting off a listening post of the American first-line trenches.

Indian Fighter Slain by Son.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 2.—John Wilkinson, seventy years old, an old Indian fighter, was killed while trying to mediate in an altercation between his sons George and James, at Annabelle, Utah.

War Wire Plant Burned.

Harrison, N. J., Feb. 4.—Fire destroyed the plant of the Driver-Harris Wire company, which was engaged in manufacturing wire specialties for use in war work. The property loss is estimated at \$300,000.

200 Die in Alcoholic Orgy.

Petrograd, Feb. 4.—Two hundred persons perished in a fire in an alcoholic factory at Novo Archangelsk. A crowd of carousers broke into the factory and became trapped in the cellars.

WILSON WARNS OF CRISIS THIS YEAR

Wilson in Letter to Farmers' Conference Says 1918 Will Decide War.

UNABLE TO ATTEND MEETING

Urges Every Effort Be Made Toward Bigger Crops in 1918 and Promises U. S. Aid to Agriculturists.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The result of the European war will be determined during the coming year, in the opinion of President Wilson. He made this plain in a letter sent to the Farmers' conference at Urbana, Ill.

"I need not tell you, for I am sure you realize as keenly as I do, that we are as a nation in the presence of a great past which demands supreme sacrifice and endeavor of everyone.

"We can give everything that is needed with the greater willingness, and even satisfaction because the object of the war in which we are engaged is the greatest that free men have ever undertaken.

"You will not need to be convinced that it was necessary for us, as a free people, to take a part in this war. It had raised its evil hand against us.

"We are fighting, therefore, as truly for the liberty and self-government of the United States as if the war of our own revolution had to be fought over again.

"Every man in every business in the United States must know by this time that his whole future fortune lies in the balance. Our national life and our whole economic development will pass under the sinister influence of foreign control if we do not win.

"We must win, therefore, and we shall win.

"You will realize, as I think statesmen on both sides of the water realize, that the culminating crisis of the struggle has come and that the achievements of this year on the one side or the other must determine the issue."

Still further powers from congress are expected by the president, "so that the tendency to profiteering which is showing itself in too many quarters may be effectively checked."

The president pointed out that the American farmer produces three or four times more per unit of labor and capital than any European farmer, that the planting last year broke the record, but that this year these achievements must not only be repeated but exceeded.

The president said the agricultural department has \$2,500,000 available now and is asking congress for \$5,000,000 more to assist the farmers to locate and obtain at cost an adequate supply of sound seed.

In all the great corn belt states there is a shortage of seed that almost appalls the experts.

MILLION STRIKE IN GERMANY

State of Siege Declared in Hamburg—Number of Workers Killed in Clash With Troops in Berlin.

London, Feb. 2.—The German strike is still growing in magnitude, the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen reports. In Berlin 700,000 persons are on strike, he says, 58,000 of these being women.

According to an Amsterdam dispatch, the strike has been extended in districts near Berlin, especially in Tegel, Alderhof, Spandau and Mariendorf, where 500,000 men have quit work. A similar number of workmen are on strike in the remainder of the empire.

A great number of socialist leaders have been arrested in various towns.

Copenhagen, Feb. 2.—A state of siege has been declared at Hamburg, Altona and Wandsbeck, according to a socialist report from Hamburg.

According to a Basle dispatch printed by La Suisse there have been serious conflicts between troops and strikers in Berlin, with casualties.

WIRES TO PETROGRAD CUT

Washington Unable to Get Word to Ambassador Francis—Boisheviks Are Split on Peace.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Cable and telegraph lines to Russia have been cut, American Minister Ira Nelson Morris at Stockholm reported on Tuesday, and the only remaining routes of communication with Petrograd now are through Persia and Vladivostok. The land telegraph lines were severed, Mr. Morris reported, at Haparanda, Sweden, and the cables at Viborg, Finland.

Rail Men Ask \$500,000,000.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Demands for wage increases pending before the railroad wage commission are for an aggregate average of 40 per cent, it was disclosed. The demands represent a total of nearly \$500,000,000 this year.

Miss Rankin's Bill Tabled.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The house immigration committee tabled the Rankin bill to grant to American women married to foreigners the right to retain their citizenship. This means the committee will not act on it.

LATEST FOOD RULES

SUMMARY OF NATIONAL PROGRAM ISSUED BY WATTLES.

WILL BENEFIT NEBRASKANS

All Citizens Are Urged to Comply Strictly to New Provisions—Early Closing Endorsed.

The new food regulations issued by the national food administration at Washington cover a wide scope and are destined to save for our associates in war a vast quantity of wheat, meat and other commodities of which these nations are so badly in need. State Food Administrator Wattles urges all Nebraskans to adhere strictly to these rules and to aid citizens of this state to be able to do so, he has issued the following summary of the national administration's program which is now in effect:

PURCHASE OF FOODSTUFFS—Consumers, when buying wheat flour, must purchase at the same time an equal amount of other cereals. The substitutes from which the choice may be made are: Corn meal, corn starch, corn flour, hominy, corn grits, barley flour, rice, rice flour, oatmeal, rolled oats, buckwheat flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, soybean flour, and feterita flours and meals. The purchaser may combine any or all of these in buying and the total amount of substitutes must equal the total amount of wheat flour purchased. The housewife may use these cereals in the home either separately or may mix them.

BUYING AND SELLING—Retailers may sell wheat flour only with equal amounts of substitutes, named above. When buying from wholesalers or millers, retailers must buy an equal amount of substitutes, named above, with their purchases of wheat flour.

WHOLESALE—In selling wheat flour to customers, wholesalers can sell only 70 per cent of the amount the purchaser bought during the corresponding period last year. And they must sell an equal amount of substitutes, or satisfy themselves that the purchaser has bought an equal amount of substitutes. A certified statement from the purchaser that he has bought an equal amount will be sufficient for the wholesaler to make the sale.

HOARDING—The buying of any licensed foodstuff for a period of supply more than thirty days is hoarding. The seller is equally liable with the buyer. In the matter of sugar, the sales in city and towns are limited to 5 pounds, or in lieu thereof, 50 cents worth, and in rural communities, to ten pounds, or in lieu thereof, \$1.00 worth. Flour must be sold in city and towns in not more than 50-pound lots, and in rural communities in not more than 100-pound lots.

BAKERS AND BAKING—Bakers must immediately use 5 per cent of other cereals than wheat in baking bread or rolls. By February 24, they must increase this amount to 20 per cent. This bread will be known as Victory Bread, and purchasers are urged to buy it at all times.

WHEATLESS DAYS AND MEALS—Mondays and Wednesdays are wheatless days. The evening meal of other days shall also be wheatless. On these meals and days, no wheat products should be used. Small amounts of wheat flour may be used in thickening soups and gravies or as a binder in corn bread or other cereal bread. This applies to both homes and public eating places.

MEATLESS DAYS AND MEALS—Tuesday is meatless day. Tuesday and Saturday are porkless days. The noon meal each day is the meatless meal. No hog, cattle or sheep products shall be used on meatless days or for meatless meals. On porkless days, no pork or pork products shall be used. On porkless Saturdays, however, mutton or lamb may be substituted.

EARLY CLOSING AND LATE OPENING—The Food Administration endorses and urges the observance of rules governing opening and closing of grocery stores, as follows: On week days, except Saturday, open at 7 a. m. and close at 6 p. m.; on Saturdays, open at 7 a. m. and close at 7 p. m. These rules, however, emanate from the Fuel Administration and are approved by the State Council of Defense.

Typewriting Fades Out. It has been found that typewriting on parchment deeds is not durable. In deeds deposited within very recent years many lines are illegible and several lines have completely disappeared.

Farmers Want Elevator. Howe—Farmers of this vicinity have held meetings in rural school houses to talk over the purchase of a grain elevator. About \$10,000 has already been subscribed, and the additional amount will be raised as soon as the plans are completed. It is intended to either buy one of the elevators already in operation, or to erect an entirely new building with a storage capacity of from fifteen to twenty thousand bushels of grain. Guy Moody is president of the new organization.



KING PENGUINS.

"King Penguins," said Diddy, "are birds which live near the South Pole and though the South Pole may sound warm it is very, very cold.

"Great men they call explorers, go on trips to find out what new lands and places they can discover, and they run all sorts of risks and dangers because of the great cold, the snow storms and the ice.

"Penguins become very friendly with people and men who visit in these parts always consider the penguins their greatest friends.

"One day Mrs. Penguin spoke to her husband and this is what she said: 'My dear, I have just laid an egg. What shall I do with it?'

"Mr. Penguin took the egg which was quite a good sized one and put it in his pouch where it stayed in his warm, comfortable feathers until it hatched out.

"Mrs. Penguin always lays the egg—only one egg at a time which is unlike other birds—and Mr. Penguin keeps it snug and warm until it is hatched. "One day, not long after this Mr. Penguin met one of his friends and got into a very bad fight.

"You're wrong, I tell you," shouted Mr. Penguin to his cousin, Mr. Peter Penguin.

"I'm not, I'm right," replied Peter. "You're as wrong as a bird can be," said Mr. Penguin. "And for a large bird as you are I'd be ashamed of myself if I were in your place."

"You're not in my place," said Peter, "and you're every bit as large as I am. We're all large—all of the penguins."

"They were both standing up, their white vests looking like the snow, and then such a fight as they did have! They fought and they fought and from afar Mrs. Penguin came hurrying to stop her husband.

"She was thinking of the egg which all the time he was carrying. 'My dear,' she said, 'Calm yourself. Calm yourself! Remember the egg!'

"Don't be so selfish," shouted Mrs. Peter Penguin, "let your husband fight as I let mine. They enjoy it!"

"But Mr. Penguin is carrying an egg for me," said Mrs. Penguin.

"That's nothing," said Mrs. Peter, "Mr. Peter is carrying one for me."

"You said that was nothing," shouted Mrs. Penguin, who had become so angry at the first part of Mrs. Peter's speech that she hadn't stopped to hear the end of it. "You think nothing of an egg when it doesn't belong to you. Talk about being selfish. You're the selfish one!"

"I'm not selfish at all," said Mrs. Peter. "If you think I am, we will fight about it."

"We will fight about it," agreed Mrs. Penguin.

"So they fought, too! And such fights as they all did have. After a time they were weary of fighting.

"You know," said Mrs. Peter, when she had recovered and could speak



Mr. Penguin Flapped His Wings.

once more, "I said that it didn't mean any more for your husband to be fighting than for mine. Mr. Peter is carrying an egg for me, too!"

"Oh, indeed," said Mrs. Penguin. "I don't believe I heard all you had to say; in fact I don't believe I wanted to hear it all. I did want a fight so much!"

"So did I," said Mrs. Peter. "And so did we," said Mr. Peter and Mr. Penguin who came up just at this moment to join their wives.

"Were the eggs hurt?" both Mrs. Penguins asked at the same moment. "Oh no," said their husbands. For though the penguins fight when they are carrying the eggs—they practically never break. And they all enjoy fighting for there is so little else to do in their part of the world they feel!

"They fight as they would play—quite enjoying every minute of it—and they do it a great deal.

"When Mrs. Penguin's eggs was hatched, Mr. Penguin took turns with her in looking after the baby penguin, each going in turn for food in the icy water. And the same thing happened in the Peter Penguin family."

Confusing to Maize.

Maize had a habit of making any mispronounced word a part of her vocabulary. When she heard the laundress say "cheer" she promptly said it too.

"Not cheer," corrected mother. "Say chair."

So Maize said chair and when the Sunday school teacher asked the class to sing, and gave out, "Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue," Maize cried out, "My mamma says not to say cheer, you must say chair."