

Withdrawal of Troops Is Advised

Senate Votes in Favor of Immediate Return of American Soldiers on the Rhine.

Fear Fresh Complication

Washington, Jan. 7.—A resolution favoring immediate withdrawal of American forces on the Rhine was adopted by the senate at the moment when administration forces were organized for a fight against another proposed expression of senatorial opinion regarding reparations.

Much Private Maneuvering

The reparations resolution, which would authorize American representation on the reparations commission, was not debated during the day but there was much private maneuvering against it on the part of administration senators.

Party Lines Split

Thirty-three republicans and 24 democrats, including Senators Lodge and Underwood of Alabama, both party leaders, supported the resolution.

Man Convicted for Death of Woman Found in Closet

Newark, N. J., Jan. 7.—William Battle, 37, was convicted of first degree murder for the slaying of Mrs. Charles F. Brigham, whose mutilated body was found stuffed into a preserve closet in the cellar of her home in Orange, 10 days ago.

12 Arrested in Dry Raid; Federal Agents Get Dope

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Twelve men were arrested in a drug store raid here and federal agents are searching for a dozen or more others.

Accused Miner Convicted on Charge of Conspiracy

Wellsburg, W. Va., Jan. 7.—Charles Ciallella of Avela, Pa., indicted in connection with the Cliftonville, W. Va., mine battle last summer, was found guilty of conspiracy here last night.

Platte Valley Jubilant at Action of Legislature

Gering Banker Elected Speaker of House—Native Son Has Prospered With Western Neighbors.

The North Platte valley is jubilant. This section of Nebraska, that records the largest gains in population of any section of the state in the last 10 years, is likewise growing in political acumen.

The entire valley points with pride to the election of A. N. Mathers of Gering to preside over the lower house of the state legislature. He is the first far west man to occupy the post.

Mr. Mathers is a self-made man in a country that is making Nebraska history. From hashlinger to speaker of the house, the proud claim made by his neighbors who judge a man by western standards—not what his ancestors did, but what a man can do himself.

A. N. Mathers is a native son of Nebraska. He was born in Otoe county, February 3, 1882, and grew up on a farm. He finished the grade schools, and then, by his own efforts, worked his way through the State university by waiting on table in a Lincoln restaurant.

In March, 1922, he was married to Miss Fern Johnson, and they have a family of one boy and one girl. They live in a beautiful suburban home at Gering. The Mathers family moved to the Platte valley in 1911, when he took a position with the Scottsbluff National bank. In 1913, he purchased

a controlling interest in the Gering National bank and has been at the head of that institution since that time.

Mr. Mathers was the first mayor of Gering and has served as president of the school board for many years. He is head of the State Irrigation society and has a record in other public capacities.

Mayor Dahlman sat on Mr. Bryan's left and they were often in conversation during the dinner. Mr. Bryan drank so copiously of clear, cold water that the waiter finally, with a grin, left a large pitcher of water from which Mr. Bryan helped himself.

Others at the speakers table were I. J. Dunn, Harland L. Mossman and Harry Watts.

Before coming to his main topic, Mr. Bryan told of the toastmaster who once asked him whether he "sang or spoke" and he ruminated on what his career might have been if he had become a singer instead of a speaker.

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W. J. Bryan Addresses Ad League

Discusses Co-Operation—Suggests Full Vote Polled at Elections by Use of Mails.

Crowd in Uproar at Wit

W. J. Bryan was in his happiest mood and his famed oratorical powers were at their best Saturday as he addressed the Advertising-Selling League in Hotel Fontenelle where most of the club's 1,200 members apparently were crowded into the ball room and the balconies and clustered about the doors.

After Rev. Frank G. Smith had introduced the peaceful leader in most complimentary words, Mr. Bryan congratulated the club upon its selection of a toastmaster.

"If you had picked some man in politics, with a future to protect, he would not have dared to give me such a splendid recommendation," he declared and the crowd roared.

It was the first of many witty sallies. Mr. Bryan said he was a little disappointed not to be greeted by the "national air."

"In nearly every meeting where I am introduced, particularly in the eastern cities," he said, "they all rise and sing 'How Dry I Am!'"

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There has been no official disclosure of the plans for the two new British ships. Frequent items recently in the British press, however, have given what appears to be a clear general picture of the ships which presents vessels strikingly superior to anything now afloat that they will output these as until 1934, when new American replacement battleships can be commissioned.

Lake Placid, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Charles Jewtraw of Lake Placid, broke the world's record for 100 yards by skating the distance in nine and two-fifths seconds. Jewtraw also equaled the world's record of 19 seconds for the 220-yard event.

Pioneer Newspaperman Dies at Gordon, Neb. Gordon, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special)—Boyd S. Leedom, one of the pioneer newspaper men of Nebraska, died at the home of his son, Joe W. Leedom, in Gordon January 6.

When Doctors Disagree

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Warden Captures Two Prisoners Making Escape

Highwayman and Burglar Foiled in Plot to Flee Penitentiary Under Cover of Steam Screen.

Lincoln, Jan. 7.—(Special)—Under cover of a screen of exhaust steam which shoots from the wall of the state penitentiary once an hour, Bill Pavey, serving a sentence for highway robbery from Lancaster county, and "Blackie" Howell, serving a sentence for burglary from Douglas county, attempted to escape tonight.

A tip from the inside had been received by Warden W. T. Fenton and he was waiting at the end of the pipe with a drawn revolver when the two men emerged. He marched them around to the penitentiary gate and they are now in solitary confinement.

Pavey acted as chauffeur in a gang robbery in Lincoln three years ago when two brothers attempted to hold up a drug store and one was killed.

New Platte River Bridge Opened Near Elm Creek

Kearney, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special)—The new bridge, spanning the Platte south of Elm Creek, has been opened to travel. For several months travel to Elm Creek, from the south, was diverted over the Overton and Kearney bridges.

The new structure replaces a wooden bridge which, for a number of years, has been a source of heavy upkeep costs. Last spring it was badly damaged and almost carried away with the breaking out of the ice.

Plans and specifications of the new bridge have been approved by the state engineer and it is contemplated, at some future date, to concrete surface the bridge.

Michigan Auto Race Driver Killed on Texas Speedway

Houston, Tex., Jan. 7.—Earl Grey, 23, race driver of Flint, Mich., was killed at the Gulf Coast speedway this afternoon, on the last lap of the second race.

Grey had hit the inside fence in the previous lap, but continued to drive with a piece of the fence wedged between his left front wheel and the steering gear. As he tried to come out of the turn into the home stretch and in so doing, the board caught his steering apparatus, causing him to turn over. He was caught under the car and crushed. He died instantly.

Log Camp Wrecked by Cloudburst

Wall of Water Destroys Buildings in Washington; Seattle-Portland Traffic at Standstill.

Waters Rising Rapidly

Seattle, Jan. 7.—The West Fork logging camp, four miles from Morton, Lewis county, Wash., was wrecked by a cloudburst according to word received here today. A five-foot wall of water poured down Tilton river, wrecking or overturning nearly every building in the camp. A man and a child were reported missing.

Traffic at Standstill. Portland, Ore., Jan. 7.—Flood conditions had brought traffic between Seattle and Portland to a stop today. The Southern Pacific bridge across the Santiam river has gone out and there was some damage to its lines on both sides of the Willamette river.

No trains were operated south of Salem. The Oregon Electric railway was unable to operate beyond Salem. The Pacific highway was flooded at a number of places.

The Willamette river at Portland was a muddy and turbid torrent tonight. Great logs and driftwood of every description were running past. Work was constantly under way to keep the bridges clear of jams. The lower docks generally were under water. The river was above 13 feet and rising rapidly.

The only through trains sent east today from here went over the line of the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company. The Spokane, Portland & Seattle line up the north bank of the Columbia was flooded in Skamania county.

Towns Flooded. Telegraph communication suffered intermittently, but tonight wires were working in all directions except to the coast counties of Oregon.

Water was running in the streets of Sheridan, Ore., but the crest of the Yamhill river flood had passed. The business section of Lebanon was flooded. Water was running in the streets of the southern part of Eugene. Scio was partly under water.

In the rural districts the property damage was confined mainly to losses of livestock and fences, with a few outbuildings.

The rain ceased about noon after having fallen steadily for more than 48 hours.

U. S. Troops Singing "Blues"

Red Resolution Taken as Beginning of End of American Occupation.

Coblenz, Jan. 7.—(By A. P.)—French troops under the command of Major General Allen in the American area have been ordered confined to quarters to prevent clashes between them and the Germans.

The American forces on the Rhine comprise 41 officers and 850 men of the Eighth infantry, in addition to quartermaster, signal and hospital corps and engineers, and motor repair units. The force is to be further reduced in February by the return of a casual detachment of enlisted men whose time has expired.

The American forces now have only 465 horses left for mounts and wagon teams.

Man Receives Broken Collarbone in Collision. E. Enevoldsen, 74, 4339 Charles street, a carpenter, suffered a broken collar bone when he was knocked down by a motor car at Twenty-seventh and Leavenworth streets at noon yesterday.

Alleged Oakland Slaying Arrested in Indianapolis. Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 7.—William R. Krice, alias Walker, who police say is wanted in Oakland, Cal., in connection with the death of Nicholas S. Dabelich, hotel keeper of that place, last October, was arrested here. Dabelich's body was found beneath a bridge in a lonely spot several days after he was killed.

National Industrial Head of the Y. W. C. A. Dies. Mattoon, Ill., Jan. 7.—Miss Daisy Florence Simms, national industrial secretary for the Y. W. C. A., with headquarters in New York, died at her home here yesterday. She had been identified with the work of the Y. W. C. A. for a quarter of a century.

Henry Murphy, South Omaha Attorney, Dies in Colorado

Republican Leader for More Than Quarter of a Century Succumbs—Made Plans for His Funeral.

Henry Murphy, for more than a quarter of a century a South Omaha republican leader, who believed in fighting for his friends, died in a sanitarium in Colorado Springs Sunday morning after an illness of more than one year.

It was but a month ago that Mr. Murphy, knowing that he was going to die, made plans for his funeral and summoned a few friends. The plans were given to County Attorney Henry Beal, a life-long friend, and a few other business men who visited Murphy.

The path of Henry Murphy was not a bed of roses. His best friends differed with him in politics, but Murphy always believed himself right and fought on those grounds.

At 17 Murphy toiled early and late in the old Saxe drug store. He later worked for Lamson & Walker, pioneer South Omaha merchants. At this time Murphy took upon himself his decision for the future.

He took a three-year course in the Indiana Normal school at Valparaiso, Ind., and later returned to South Omaha to study law in the office of J. H. Van Deusen. He was admitted to practice in 1895 and was successful up to the time of his illness.

Within a few years he became actively engaged in republican politics and today he goes down as a fighter for his party.

His first political position was that of assistant city attorney under the administration of former Mayor A. R. Kelly in 1900 and 1901, before annexation.

A couple of years later he was elected to the lower house of the state legislature to fill a vacancy. In 1910 he was elected city attorney of South Omaha, was re-elected in 1912, came back and was elected for the third time after one of the hottest campaigns in the history of South Omaha.

The body will be brought to Omaha for burial, arriving Monday afternoon, and will be taken to the home of his brother, John A. Murphy, 4418 South Nineteenth street. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

December Sets Record in Postal Receipts. Washington, Jan. 7.—(Special Telegram)—Although December packed five nonproductive Sundays within its 31 days, postal receipts in 50 largest selected cities broke all records. They jumped from \$27,727,575 in December, 1921, to \$29,150,025 in 1922, a gain of \$2,422,749.

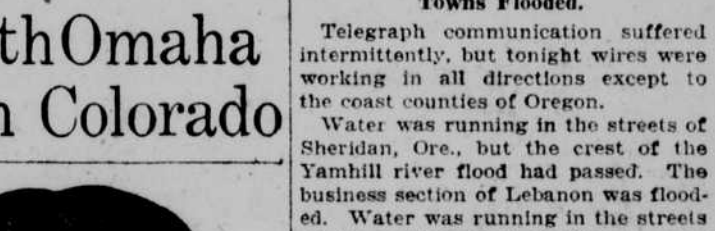
Receipts for Omaha were \$269,118 for December, 1922, as compared with \$257,606 in 1921, a gain of \$11,512 or 4.47 per cent. Omaha's gain in 1922 over 1921 was 11.38, showing a consistent trend in the direction of prosperity.

Auburn County Club Plans Swimming Pool. Auburn, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special)—R. F. Neal, T. E. McKnight and C. O. Nelson were elected members of the board of directors of the Auburn Country club at its annual meeting here Saturday night.

Plans for improvement during the coming year contemplate the installation of a swimming pool and the purchase of a power mower for the club golf links.

Officers of the club are Dr. F. E. C. Malony, president; R. F. Neal, vice president; R. M. Armstrong, secretary, and E. C. Howe, treasurer.

Steamer Floated. San Francisco, Jan. 7.—The Pacific Steamship company's steam schooner Admiral Goodrich, which was washed ashore at Eureka, Cal., by high water Saturday night, was floated early today, according to advices here. It was reported that the vessel was not damaged and had proceeded to its berth.



Henry Murphy.



And Again We Ask: What's the Use of Worrying? When it is being proven in so many instances that it isn't worth while—even if you have lost some valuable possession.

So long as the Omaha Bee "Want" Ad section remains on the job losers in Omaha haven't any trouble in recovering what they have lost.

Mrs. J. L. recovered her wrist watch for which she advertised the first morning in the "Lost and Found" column of The Omaha Bee.

Passengers Escape Injury as Auto Bus Goes in Ditch. Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special)—The auto bus running between Beatrice and Fairbury on the Goldenrod highway, went into the ditch near Ellis, and turned over, but the passengers escaped injury. The front part of the machine was pretty badly smashed.

Police Suppress Riot as Dry Officers Raid Saloon. Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—Three wagon loads of police were called to suppress a riot when a score of prohibition agents raided the saloon of Thomas Peak, in the heart of the city. Some 200 men were in the place when the raid occurred.

Tractor Runs Oil Drill. Nelsonville, O., Jan. 7.—The use of a tractor for drilling in the Hocking valley oil fields has been found practical. Its use may revolutionize drilling. The first well on which the tractor was used was put down 2,750 feet in 23 days.

Automobile Leaves Road; Two Women Badly Hurt. Callaway, Neb. 7.—(Special)—Mrs. George W. McKinney and her daughter, Miss Edna McKinney, were severely injured when the automobile in which they were riding ran into a ditch near Kearney, Neb., and was demolished.

Famous White House Beauty During Polk Reign Dies. Medford, Ore., Jan. 7.—Mrs. Elizabeth Cruger Turnbull Polk, died today at the home of a daughter here. She was 90 years old and was born on the plantation of her father at Esperanza, Issaquena county, Mississippi.

Noted Rabbi Dies. Chicago, Jan. 7.—Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, noted Jewish scholar, editor and rabbi, died today at his home here. He was 83 years old and had been suffering from pneumonia. Dr. Hirsch was born in the Dutchy of Luxemburg, May 22, 1852.