

WAR THREATENS IN AFRICA; NATIVE UPRISING FEARED

Band Nearer Conflict Than Any Time Since Boers Laid Down Their Arms.

MARTIAL LAW TO BE DECLARED

Pleas Made for White Unity to Protect Women and Children.

BURGHERS ARE CALLED OUT

Not Believed Old Free Staters Will Fire on Strikers.

GENERAL WALKOUT CALL URGED

Police Do Not Arrest Federation Secretary, Who is Surrounded by Bodyguard of Two Thousand Men.

PRETORIA, Union of South Africa, Jan. 11.—Not since the Boers laid their arms to the Britons in 1902 has there been as near a state of war as tonight. Martial law will be proclaimed at noon tomorrow. Many of the predicted failure of the strike have become so alarmed that they are pleading for white unity to protect the women and children from the horrors of a native uprising.

Johannesburg has the appearance of a beleaguered city. The calling out of the burghers has resulted in the gathering of 10,000 of the old Free State burghers, who have sprung to arms with the same alacrity as in the days of a native uprising or when the British invaded the veldt. This force is under command of the veteran Boer general, Jacobus H. De La Rey.

The proposed mass meeting of the Trades Federation has not yet been prohibited, but the proclamation of martial law probably means that an attempt will be made to prevent a demonstration, which in the present temper of the strikers, who are incensed by the arrest of their leaders, may result in an even more tragic affray than that which happened on July 4 last when rioters were fired on by the troops.

General Strike Call Urged. The Trades Federation has recommended the declaration of a general strike and has ordered that a ballot be taken on the question by all the unions before Tuesday. The federation has also passed a resolution condemning the government for imprisoning the men's leaders "because they expressed the opinions of those whom they represented."

So far as military preparations can assure it, the government has absolute command of the situation. Troopers, infantry and police can be seen in all directions, posted at strategic points along the reef. But it is considered a grave question whether the burghers will fire, if ordered to do so, on their fellow Boers, who compose the majority of the Rand railway men. The strikers seem to share this belief, for the strike leaders have given permission to those who are members of the defense force to join their commands.

Surrounded by Bodyguard. Secretary Bain of the Johannesburg trades' federation, for whom a warrant has been issued, was present at a meeting held in the trades' hall tonight. He was surrounded by a bodyguard of 2,000. The police realized that he could not be arrested without bloodshed, decided to await a more favorable opportunity.

Nothing further has developed with regard to the native unrest at Jagersfontein, where an outbreak occurred between whites and natives in the course of which seven native laborers and three white miners were killed and thirty-six wounded. The forces there, however, have been re-

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Returns from Texas Convert to Suffrage

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The creation of a standing house committee on equal suffrage loomed today at the capital as a strong probability. Chairman Henry of this committee on rules returned from Texas a convert to the proposition on which his committee must take action and a considerable sentiment has developed in favor of the project by representatives who have been talking over the subject during the congressional recess.

Representatives Taylor and Keating of Colorado and other pro-suffragist members, have been discussing the outlook with colleagues, and returning members point to the growth of the woman suffrage movement as warranting the appointment of a committee to deal with nothing else than equal suffrage matters.

The Weather

For Nebraska and Iowa—Generally fair. Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

Table with 2 columns: Time (8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m., 11 p.m., Midnight) and Temperature (Deg.).

Superior Resort Proprietors Pay For Protection

SUPERIOR, Wis., Jan. 10.—During an executive session today of the Wisconsin state vice hearing, when inmates of the segregated district were being examined, Mayor J. S. Konkol and Rev. Harry Milford, formerly a local reform leader, became involved in a heated controversy. Mayor Konkol characterized sensational statements made on the stand yesterday by various reformers as "a pack of lies."

ENJOY THEIR ANNIVERSARY

Germans Observe Thirtieth Year of Founding of Home.

EX-PRESIDENTS FORM IN LINE

Twenty-One Join in Grand March, Which is Followed by Banquet and Dance, with All Rejoicing Over Event.

Over 500 enthusiastic Germans crowded their way into German Home Saturday night to partake of the joyous celebration which attended the thirtieth anniversary of the German Home association in Omaha. Among the number who attended were veteran Germans, pioneers of this state and this city, grizzled Germans who came to Omaha during later years and the younger generation of Germans who were born in Omaha and have lived here all their lives. The old greeted the young and the young greeted the old with felicitations, all expressing earnest thanks that they were able to be one of those to join in the celebration of the anniversary of that momentous day when the German Home became an institution.

The course of the evening party did everything dear to the hearts of true Germans. A banquet of such sumptuous dimensions that it was consumed in relays was served. Singing and orchestral music furnished interest to lovers of music. Dancing was the popular pastime with the young people. Lounging in the lodge room was popular with the older men, and a game of solo, an old German card game, was the paramount attraction with several of the veteran pioneers. It was a glorious evening, never to be forgotten in the minds of those present, and it was with regret that the Home was deserted when the sun peeped from behind a silvery cloud in the eastern sky.

Old German Melodies.

A musical program opened the evening. The Mozart orchestra, under the direction of Henry Bock, played old German melodies, and the Lyra, a singing organization of German girls, under the direction of Mrs. Adolph Brandes, rendered selections of German songs. Between musical numbers Jacob Hauck made the address of the evening.

After the short preliminary program, a line of the present officers of the society and all the living ex-presidents of the Home formed in the dancing room and a grand march was held preparatory to the first relay at the banquet table. Twenty-one Germans, all staunch Omahans who have lived here many years, were in the grand march and they danced nobly well. Their partners were the women who have held the women's offices.

True to the fashions of the Germans since time immemorial those twenty-one men and women solemnly marched through the figures of an old German march. With every step and sober faces, before the admiring eyes of their less fortunate brothers and sisters, they formed their lines while each individual couple walked through the line. And it was the undeviating waits that were taught at its birth and which is taught now by conforming dancing instructors, and not the careless waits so often adopted nowadays. No one participant missed his step and everyone demonstrated that age could never wield the sword of infirmity although it might cause gray hair and wrinkles.

Honor to Officers.

The ex-presidents and the officers were given the honor positions at the banquet table and were permitted to get their fill before the others were given an opportunity to take their places.

After the grand march the dancing was started, and the second relay of diners wended their way toward the banquet hall. The tango, one step and another of the modern dances were relegated to an insignificant background in favor of the waltz, the polka, the schottische, the rheinlander, and the kuddle muddle, the best of all German dances. The kuddle muddle was saved for the last and all partook 5 years of age to every old couple in the hall.

The Ex-Presidents.

The ex-presidents who marched in the grand procession were: Chris Grothman, the oldest ex-president, who led the march, 1886; H. Anderson, 1887; John Burch, 1889; Fritz Stacher, 1890, 1891, 1898, 1899; Henry Schroeder, 1892, 1893; H. Rohlf, 1894, 1895, 1912, 1913; Reunohr, 1896, 1897; J. Bartus, 1900, 1901; E. Rokfahr, 1902; J. Stollenberg, 1903, 1904; Paul Ewaldt, 1905, 1906; P. Schroeder, 1907, 1908; William Butt, 1909. The present officers, who were also in the grand march, are: Henry Rodenburg, president; Jochen Stollenberg, vice president; Chris Heine, secretary; John Bockhoff, financial secretary; Fred Hansen, treasurer; Fritz Dohse, bibliographer; John Dahmke, Henry Geest and Paul Ewaldt, members of the financial committee.

The entertainment committee for the evening consisted of Henry G. Hansen, Charles Krug and George Klene. The reception committee consisted of Henry Kossmann, C. T. Rippen and William Goe. The dance committee consisted of Otto Kinder, F. A. Klenke and John Reiter.

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OMAHA DECLINES TO YIELD TO RIVAL CITY

Kansas City Fails to Win Local Support for Its Regional Bank Fight.

CLAIMS OF THIS CITY PRESSED

Committees Hold Meeting at the Omaha Club.

EACH ONE URGES ITS CLAIMS

Statement Issued Showing How the Situation Stands.

NO SERIOUS OBSTACLE IN WAY

Two Committees Agree that Kansas City and Omaha Each Should Be Location of Regional Reserve Bank.

A committee of Omaha bankers following a protracted conference with representatives of the Kansas City Clearing House association, issued a statement last night that local financiers would not unite with Kansas City in an effort to bring a regional reserve bank there, but would continue to urge Omaha's claims to such a bank.

The Kansas City men left the Omaha club, the scene of the conference, with the understanding that the two cities are rivals in the contest according to assertions of bankers. The following statement was issued:

"A committee from the clearing house of Kansas City, consisting of C. H. Goble, president of the Kansas City Clearing House association, George S. Hovey, President of the Inter-State National bank and A. C. Jones, vice president of the First National bank of Kansas City, have been all afternoon in conference with the committee from the Omaha Clearing House association.

"The gentlemen composing both committees are each severally most certain that Kansas City and Omaha, the cities of commercial supremacy in the Missouri valley, should each be the headquarters for a regional reserve bank.

"After exchanging views during the afternoon and evening, it was determined that the committee from Kansas City would report back to their clearing house the tentative arrangements agreed upon and also the committee from Omaha would report to its association.

"The representatives of both cities are agreed that there are no serious obstacles ahead that will prevent either one of these two cities from each being the headquarters of a regional bank, the important commercial and geographical location of each being so obvious that only an unnatural division of the current of trade could prevent the end desired."

"The Omaha committee was composed of the following: V. B. Caldwell, chairman, Luther Drake, W. H. Buehols, H. W. Yates, F. H. Davis and H. C. Bostwick. It was recently appointed to attempt to secure the establishment of one of the regional banks in Omaha. The three Kansas City men came with the definite idea of persuading the Omaha bankers that Kansas City is the logical location for such a bank, but it soon became apparent this was impossible.

Laborers Wreck Tool House in Fight for Jobs

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 10.—Several laborers were fully engaged today while fighting for hammers with which to break rock for the city at the recently established rock pile. In the scramble the tool house was wrecked.

The trouble was the result of the eagerness of the men for employment and the limited number of tools available. "The men fought with their fists, knocking one another down, when obtaining hammers were attacked.

Thaw Now Sane, Says Commission; Entitled to Bail

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 11.—Harry Kendall Thaw now has to be a public menace if he were released on bail, according to the report of the commission appointed by Federal Judge Aldrich to inquire into the state of Thaw's mentality.

The report says the commission finds Thaw is not now afflicted with any of the mental diseases from which he was suffering when he slew Stanford White.

IOWA MAN SHOTS HIMSELF AT STRANG

BRUNING, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Early this morning the dead body of Jacob Nippert was found in the livery barn at Strang. Mr. Nippert was on his way from Waco, Ia., to visit his brothers, Henry and John, of this place.

He missed his train at Strang yesterday and took lodging there. When he arose this morning he crossed the street to the livery barn and shot himself with a revolver. No cause is known for the act. Nippert was 50 years of age. He had been separated from his wife for some time. In his grip was found a new suit of clothes for his burial. No inquest was deemed necessary.

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"To avoid the sins of selfishness; to shun unwarranted publicity, dishonest money-seeking and commercialism as disgraceful to our profession; to refuse utterly all secret money trades with consultants and practitioners; to teach the patient his financial duty to the physician and to urge the practitioner to obtain his reward from the patient openly."



From The Minneapolis Journal.

PAY RESPECTS TO WILSON

Nearly Two Thousand Attend Reception at His Cottage.

CLOSING EVENT OF BIG DAY

As President Returns from Gulfport Links, Crowds Greet Him, Presenting Flowers and Other Gifts.

PASS CHRISTIAN, Miss., Jan. 11.—Nearly 2,000 residents of this region paid their respects to President Wilson yesterday at a public reception given especially for them at the presidential cottage. Guests were welcomed by the president and Mrs. Wilson, who stood on the cottage veranda in the warm, bright sunshine. Mr. Wilson apparently enjoyed the occasion immensely, greeting those who shook hands with a cordial smile. Incidentally it was the first public reception under the present administration.

The president is highly appreciative of the manner in which the residents have scrupulously observed his desire for seclusion and rest and it was in recognition of this that he gave the reception on the day before his departure for Washington.

Flourish to Wilson. Automobiles, carriages, stately traps, crude farm wagons, dust-covered saddles and horse-drawn trolleys brought people to the reception. Pretty girls, aged confederate veterans in gray uniforms, mothers carrying their babies and little children by the score crowded into line and passed up the steps to meet the president.

A picturesque figure among those who shook hands with the president was General A. C. Oxford of Birmingham, Ala., who wore a resplendent confederate uniform. He left his card with the president. On the reverse side of the card appeared these words: "If I ever disown, repudiate or apologize for the cause for which Lee fought and Jackson died, let the lightning of heaven rend me."

Standing in the receiving line with the president and Mrs. Wilson were the Misses Margaret and Eleanor Wilson, Miss Helen Woodrow Ione, Misses Lucy and Mary Smith of New Orleans, house guests at the president's cottage, and Dr. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N.

The reception was the closing event of an interesting day for President Wilson. As he returned from the Gulfport golf links this morning crowds greeted him along the road, presenting him with flowers and other gifts. As Mr. Wilson passed the home of former Congressman Bowers he was given a gigantic bunch of grape fruit, while children along the way presented him with oranges and bananas.

The presidential party will leave at 11:15 tomorrow night by special train for Washington, where they will arrive early Tuesday.

Surgeons Take Pledge Against Splitting Fees

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Attempt to Block Fourth Trial of Dr. Clarke Hyde

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 10.—Another attempt to block the fourth trial of Dr. B. Clarke Hyde, charged with the murder of Colonel Thomas H. Swope, was made today when attorneys representing Theodore C. Peltzer and George E. Howling, taxpayers of Jackson county, filed a petition in the circuit court asking an order restraining the county court from paying any money toward the expense of further prosecution.

In the petition Peltzer and Howling declared that such use of their money without their approval constitutes a misappropriation of public funds. The petitioners not only asked that the county court be enjoined from spending further money on the prosecution, but demand that \$5,000 spent on the last trial be returned to the county treasury.

The petition for injunction is a result of the action of the court promising the county prosecutor that the court would pay the expenses of a fourth trial of the accused physician up to \$15,000. Floyd Jacobs, county prosecutor, announced he was ready to proceed with the trial on the date fixed, Monday, January 12.

Write Asking for Their Share of Per Capita Circulation

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Hundreds of letters have poured into the treasury today from persons in many parts of the country who have gained the impression that there is \$33.11 waiting for the asking, because the monthly circulation statement of the department announced this to be the per capita circulation. The letters came so frequently that Treasurer John Burke issued the following statement, which has been printed and sent to all inquirers: "There is no truth in the statement that a certain amount is due from the department to every man, woman and child in the country."

"The statement, prepared by the department, is to the effect that if the money in the country was equally distributed each one would be in possession of that amount. "No public funds can be paid out without appropriation by congress."

Eugenics Registry System Proposed

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Jan. 10.—A eugenics registry office for the purpose of developing a race of human thoroughbreds, was one of the suggestions of Dr. J. F. Kellogg of Battle Creek, speaking today at the National Conference for Race Betterment.

"It only takes four generations to make a thoroughbred, when the principles of eugenics have a fair chance to operate," said Dr. Kellogg. "We have registers for horses, cattle, sheep, pigs, cats and dogs. If a woman wishes to establish the standing of her pooodle she can do so by appealing to an official record and the puppy canine may lift its head above its fellows as a born aristocrat, but nowhere on earth, so far as I know, is there to be found a registry for human thoroughbreds."

"The hope is entertained by the members of this conference that one of the results of the meeting may be the establishment of such a registry. Indeed, it seems the time has fully come when a eugenics registry office should be established in which may be recorded the names of infants who are born under eugenic conditions, and perhaps also the names of persons, who in person and in their families, are able to measure up to eugenic standards."

LAWYERS WOULD KEEP FILES Bar Association for Court Rule that Has Been in Force.

WOULD PERMIT INSPECTION

Publicity Should Not Be Denied Where Request is Made for Information—Jury System Discussed.

Special and lengthy consideration of the present jury system in Douglas county, and of the withdrawal of divorce and lawsuit papers from the court files, took up most of the time at the annual business meeting of the Omaha Bar association at the University club Saturday night, when most of the present officers were re-elected. Nelson H. Loomis, solicitor general of the Union Pacific railroad, read a paper on "The Advocate," which was didactic in nature and warmly received by the lawyers. The special committee of inquiry, which reported at length at a November meeting, stated that it had nothing further to report at this time.

The association's final action in regard to the withdrawal of divorce and lawsuit papers from district court files was to do on record as favoring the continuance of the present rule, which as it has been practiced, allows attorneys to withdraw petitions and answers from the files, with the exception that hereafter publicity should not be denied such records as the public or the newspapers should desire to know about.

"Would Make Publicity Contempt." President Thomas W. Blackburn, who was re-elected by acclamation, precipitated the discussion of the matter by reporting that he had written a letter to the district judges, urging that they rule that it shall hereafter be considered contempt of court for any person to show court files to anybody except interested parties, until the trial is over.

H. C. Broms objected to allowing publicity in lawsuits and to allowing the court files to be examined by the public, if said: "I maintain that court files are not public property, and that if a newspaper publishes matter found in a court petition, it takes the responsibility of proving the truth of any derogatory statements found therein, should a libel suit be brought as the result of the publication. No rule as to the withdrawal of files would have been necessary, had not persons and newspapers wanted to get at something to which they had no right."

Mr. Broms moved that the Bar association go on record as in favor of the old rule, including the secrecy about lawsuits which it made possible. The motion failed for lack of a second and because a number of attorneys were quickly on their feet to oppose it.

In Favor of Publicity.

Harry Fischer said he favored letting reporters and the general public have access to the files for three days, and then letting attorneys withdraw papers for their professional use.

John A. Hine made a determined attack on the stand taken by Attorney Broms and Blackburn, and declared he felt that the members of the Bar association were too independent to consent willingly to a curtailment of their freedom in showing copies of court files to whomsoever they wished.

F. W. Fitch thought the contempt idea was too drastic, but asserted that he favored keeping "salacious" divorce news out of the press. Francis A. Broman made the argument that the public is a third party in all divorce proceedings and that if measures were ever taken to keep divorce files secret, the public, through the legislature, should therefore take the step, rather than the lawyers. At this juncture in the discussion, President Blackburn expressed the opinion that

OJINAGA FALLS; VILLA OCCUPIES DESERTED CITY

Federal Army Evacuates After Few Hours of Fierce Attack by Rebels.

SOME CROSS THE BOUNDARY

All Who Can Scramble to American Side Do So.

THEY SURRENDER TO M'NAMEE

Orozco, Threatened with Execution, Believed in Mountains.

INSURRECTO FIRE IS TERRIFIC

Government Commanders See Assault Nothing But Massacre, and Orders Given to Leave Village.

PRESIDIO, Tex., Jan. 11.—Twenty-eight hundred Mexican federal soldiers, six generals, 300,000 rounds of ammunition, two cannons, four large field pieces and 1,500 civilian refugees were in the custody of the United States army border patrol today as the result of the federal army's evacuation of Ojinaga, Mex. Its flight to American territory and the occupation of the Mexican village by General Francisco Villa's rebels.

The distress of the refugees is intense. They have scant food and no shelter. Men, women, children, dogs, chickens and cattle are packed together in a space covering several acres. About them are scattered all the wreck and turmoil which they brought in fleeing from the Ojinaga battle.

Urgent requests for the immediate removal of the soldiers and refugees to some other place were sent by Major McNamee to the War department through Brigadier General Hines. Other results of the rebel success which place General Villa's army in undisputed control of a vast section of northern Mexico are: Federal Generals Mercado, Castro, Orpinal, Romero, Adino and Landu are in custody of the United States troops awaiting their disposition by the War department.

Leaders Flee. General Pascual Orozco and General Yusef Salazar, federal volunteer commanders, escaped along the border to a point remote from Presidio. Salazar was wounded. They were accompanied by General Caraveo and General Rojas and 30 cavalrymen. Salazar and Orozco are being watched for in the United States on indictments charging them with violating the neutrality laws.

General Landu said he was certain all the federal generals escaped the rebels. Charges of cowardice were made against Orozco, Salazar and Rojas. General Mercado asserted these generals abandoned their troops at the beginning of the battle and thus weakened the federal defense.

The only generals who quit the battlefield with honor, General Mercado said, were those who accompanied the federals across the Rio Grande. General Mercado reiterated that the federals were compelled to evacuate because of lack of ammunition. He said at the retreat his soldiers had an average of only seventy-eight cartridges.

Details of the Battle. PRESIDIO, Tex., Jan. 11.—The Mexican federal army with its nine generals evacuated Ojinaga, Mexico, at 10 o'clock last night. The triumphant rebel forces under General Francisco Villa immediately occupied the village.

General Salvador Mercado, who was President Huerta's chief military commander, and General Francisco Castro, and several subordinate generals, crossed the river and surrendered to Major McNamee of the United States army. It was impossible for Major McNamee to learn what had become of the federals, whether the bulk of them had taken refuge on this side or whether they scattered to points in Mexico. The country about Ojinaga is mostly desert with little to sustain life.

Rebel Fire Terrific. The defeat of the federal army followed only a few hours' fighting in which the rebels, beginning at sundown, started to close in on the beleaguered garrison with a terrific fire of cannon, shrapnel and rifle fire.

General Castro and General Mercado of the federal regulars saw that the as-

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A Sign-Post to Year-End Bargains

January inventories are now in order. Merchants and manufacturers are cleaning house and disposing of short lines, odd lots, broken sizes and discontinued styles.

The one place for you to learn about the attractive goods thus offered and the alluring price reductions, is in the advertising columns of The Bee and other good newspapers.

There is not a day goes by without its sale of this or that. Opportunities for shrewd buyers are numerous for every individual or every family.

The advertising in The Bee is a bold sign-post, clearly pointing the way.

Don't pass it by, but follow its direction. It leads you down the straight road to Opportunity and Economy. Newspaper advertising, always profitable to those who make it their business to study it, is now so full of reward to the reader that nothing but sheer carelessness should keep one from heeding its valuable suggestions.