

# GREAT KRUPP MUNITIONS PLANT IS ABLAZE; LENINE DECLARES WON'T KNEEL TO KAISER

## UKRAINIANS JOIN COSSACKS IN EFFORT TO OVERTHROW BOLSHEVIKI GOVERNMENT

**Trotsky Says Will Not Accept "Offensive Peace Terms;"  
Members of Constituent Assembly Rebel Against  
Lenine Tyranny; Kaledines Recognized as  
Savior of Russian Democracy.**

### BULLETIN.

London, Dec. 22.—The resignation of General Kaledines and his associates in the military government of the Cossacks, who have been resisting the Bolsheviki, is reported in a Petrograd dispatch to the Times. The purpose of this move is said to be to permit the formation of a strong popular government. General Kaledines explains he has decided to withdraw on account of his unpopularity with the troops at the front, who refuse to obey him in consequence of misrepresentations on the part of his enemies. The dispatch does not suggest any weakening of the Cossack movement, which is represented in other reports as still progressing.

(By Associated Press.)

Opposition by the Ukrainians and the followers of General Kaledines to the Bolsheviki movement, together with an unconfirmed report that the Germans have rejected the peace proposals of the Bolsheviki delegates, continue to overshadow military operations in the European war.

The report that a definite alliance has been formed between the Ukrainians and the Don Cossacks gives credence to another rumor that the Ukrainian Rada has definitely notified the Bolsheviki commissioners that it will not reconsider its action in aiding the Kaledines forces.

## POLICE MUST AID IN ENFORCING THE LIQUOR LAW

**McGuire Writes Kugel That Unless  
Detectives Become Active  
Governor Neville  
Will Suspend Them.**

**GERMAN ATTACKS FAILED.**  
German attacks in Alsace have been repulsed, according to the French war office. The chief of these attacks at Hartmannsweilerkopf took the Germans into the first line French trenches, but in the engagement that followed they were driven out with heavy losses. At other points along the French front artillery activity has been intermittent, except at Cauberges wood, in the Champagne region. Rheims again has been shelled by the Germans.

In Flanders the Belgian war office reports artillery activity, though less intense because of fog. An offensive movement initiated by the Italians, in which they launched seven attacks against the enemy front west of Monte Asolone, is claimed by the German official communication to have been without success.

In the region of Doiran, in the eastern war theater, artillery activity continues. In the same war theater British troops have carried out a successful raid on the region of Lake Butkova, capturing one officer and 54 Bulgarian soldiers.

**Riots in Argentina.**  
The publication of telegrams sent by Count von Luxburg, former German minister, to the Berlin foreign office has resulted in riots in Buenos Aires, where crowds of people assembled and demanded a rupture of relations with Germany. A mob in the Calle Florida was dispersed after a fight with mounted police. Guards again have been stationed around property owned by Germans in the city, and police are guarding the office of La Union, the newspaper for which Count von Luxburg obtained a subsidy. Congress is expected to insist upon an explanation by the government of the conditions revealed in the Von Luxburg telegrams.

**Trotsky Won't Kneel.**  
Petrograd, Dec. 22.—Leon Trotsky, the Bolsheviki foreign minister, in addressing the council of soldiers and workmen, declared that if the German emperor offered "offensive" peace terms the Russians would fight against it.

"We did not overthrow czarism to kneel before the Kaiser," he cried. Continuing, he said: "But if through our exhaustion we had to accept the Kaiser's terms, we would do so to rise with the German people against German militarism." The total number of members elected to the constituent assembly is now 368, but only 48 of these have been registered as members by the Bolsheviki.

### The Weather

For Nebraska—Unsettled; somewhat warmer.  
Temperatures at Omaha yesterday:

| Hour     | Temp. | Wind | Clouds |
|----------|-------|------|--------|
| 5 a. m.  | 29    | W    | 100    |
| 6 a. m.  | 28    | W    | 100    |
| 7 a. m.  | 28    | W    | 100    |
| 8 a. m.  | 28    | W    | 100    |
| 9 a. m.  | 29    | W    | 100    |
| 10 a. m. | 30    | W    | 100    |
| 11 a. m. | 32    | W    | 100    |
| 12 m.    | 32    | W    | 100    |
| 1 p. m.  | 32    | W    | 100    |
| 2 p. m.  | 32    | W    | 100    |
| 3 p. m.  | 32    | W    | 100    |
| 4 p. m.  | 32    | W    | 100    |
| 5 p. m.  | 32    | W    | 100    |
| 6 p. m.  | 32    | W    | 100    |
| 7 p. m.  | 32    | W    | 100    |

Comparative Local Record.  
1917. 1916. 1915. 1914.  
Highest yesterday..... 40 34 31 24  
Lowest yesterday..... 27 22 24 16  
Mean temperature..... 34 30 32 27  
Precipitation..... .00 .00 T .00

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal at Omaha since March 1:  
Excess for the day..... .25  
Total deficiency since March 1..... .40  
Normal precipitation..... .03 inch  
Deficiency for the day..... .03 inch  
Total rainfall since March 1..... .21 inch  
Deficiency since March 1..... 1.33 inches  
Deficiency for the period, 1916-17..... 1.44 inches  
Deficiency for the period, 1915-17..... 1.44 inches  
— Indicates trace of precipitation.  
— Indicates below zero.  
L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.



Santa Knows

## WOMAN'S LEAGUE WILL LOOK AFTER MEN AT FUNSTON

**Mothers of State Up in Arms  
Over Alleged Conditions  
as Reported in The  
Bee.**

If the War department is not taking care of the boys at Camp Funston, the Nebraska branch of the National League for Woman's Service will.

Mrs. William Archibald Smith, chairman of the Omaha section, announces she had had a long-distance telephone conference with Mrs. W. G. Langworthy of Lincoln, state president, with reference to the story of conditions at Camp Funston told to The Bee by Mrs. A. B. McConnell.

"Women in Lincoln are greatly exercised over Mrs. McConnell's recital of conditions and want to do everything possible to alleviate these conditions if the story is true," Mrs. Taylor said. "If there is work for the league to do, we will attempt it at once," said Mrs. Smith. "We have quite a large number of sweaters on hand and will dispatch them immediately. Our league has not much money, but, if necessary, we will make a public appeal for funds."

Mrs. Smith was to confer with Mrs. McConnell during the day.

## MEATLESS MINCE PIE IS CHRISTMAS DINNER TID-BIT

Washington, Dec. 22.—Meatless mince meat, another culinary triumph in the art of the food administration, has been brought to the housewives of the country by the National Emergency Food Garden commission as a worthy companion of pumpkin pie and gingerbread.

The new mince meat, officially described as a "camouflage," was tried on 500 troops on a transport, who pronounced it perfect and called for more.

Half a package of seeded raisins, half a pound of prunes stewed with lemon juice and peel, one-quarter cup sweet cider, four tablespoons brown sugar; chop the raisins and prunes together and the result is said to be a meatless mince pie which will accord with the food administration's meatless Tuesday.

As turkey does not violate the meatless day, Christmas dinner may be complete.

## NO EVENING BEE CHRISTMAS DAY

To give employees of this paper an opportunity to observe the holiday as far as possible, The Bee will not issue an evening paper Tuesday.

## Stop Use of Invisible Ink and Code by Teutons

Washington, Dec. 22.—An extensive traffic in written communications to Germany, Austria and the northern European neutrals, involving use of invisible ink and code system, has been discovered and stopped by customs officials within the last few weeks, treasury officials disclosed today.

## 101 MEN PERISH WHEN SUB SINKS BRITISH SHIP

**Armed Steamer Stephen Furness  
Torpedoed and Sunk in  
Irish Channel by Ger-  
man U-Boat.**

(By Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 22.—The British armed steamer Stephen Furness has been torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine in the Irish channel, it was officially announced today. Six officers and 95 men were lost.

## PLAN ADVANCED FOR TEACHERS' MEET IN WEST

Plans are being made at Hastings for the formation of the Western Nebraska Teachers' association, whose membership will cover western and central parts of the state.

The effect of this would be to cut the Nebraska State Teachers' association into two organizations. Sentiment in Lincoln is divided on this proposed division.

The promoters explain that under the present system of balloting for the annual state teachers' meeting Omaha seems to have a walkaway. The vote at the recent convention in Omaha was overwhelmingly in favor of Omaha for next year's meeting.

It is proposed to hold the first meeting of the new association at Hastings next November and to arrange a program that will be as attractive as the one in Omaha. Some are in favor of arranging the dates of the two conventions so that the principal speakers at one may appear at the other.

Another argument advanced for the new association is that 300 to 400 miles to Omaha is too far for the teachers of the western part of the state to travel to a state convention.

## COL. LEWIS HURLS GRAVE CHARGES AT ARMY MEN

**Says Department Wants to  
Kill His Machine Gun and  
Crozier is Preju-  
diced.**

Washington, Dec. 22.—Colonel Isaac Lewis, inventor of the machine gun bearing his name, today told the senate committee investigating conduct of the war that while still an active officer in the United States army, he tried without avail to persuade the War department to accept the gun free of cost as an act of patriotism.

Colonel Lewis said he took his invention to the chief of staff, then Major General Leonard Wood. "Even last June I went to the present secretary of war and offered him all my interests, without any emolument," he declared. "The only condition, which I think was fair, was that the official test should not be made at the Springfield arsenal."

"My offer wasn't even considered," Colonel Lewis protested. "It was turned down flat."

A letter dated December 11, last, renewing his offer of his gun to Secretary Baker, was read by Colonel Lewis. In it he offered also to turn over all his share—43 per cent—of all royalties, aggregating \$2,000,000 under existing contracts. In the letter Colonel Lewis protested alleged injustice of statements by Secretary Baker regarding his gun. He cited the success the British had had with his gun and declared that of 12 Zeppelins brought down by the British 10 were bagged with the Lewis gun.

Senator Chamberlain asked why the War department should oppose the Lewis gun and the inventor replied: "They want to kill it, to take the label off it."

The 1913 test was premature, against his judgment, Colonel Lewis declared, but he did not regard the outcome as a failure for his gun.

"The gun is just the same today as it was then, not a change made," Colonel Lewis said, declaring General Crozier had adopted various different types of machine guns, spending millions on the Benet-Mercier (a French gun).

"All the other experts believe the Browning is the best gun developed and you are the only one against them," Senator Hitchcock suggested. Lewis replied that the experts were interested in manufacturing the Browning.

Colonel Lewis declared the ordinance bureau was a "one man machine" and said General Crozier had used his office for personal malice against a man not in the "ring." Mr. Lewis said he did not think the ordinance department was corrupt but hopelessly inefficient.

Responding to other questions, Lewis charged that General Crozier's attitude towards him was due both to personal and professional prejudice.

## Bailey to Sail for France First Week in January

E. F. Bailey, general secretary for the Young Men's Christian association, at Jackson, Mich., has written to J. O. Philippi, his father-in-law, that he will sail for France during the first week in January. In France he will represent the executive department of the association. His wife will stay with Mr. and Mrs. Philippi during his absence.

Secretary Bailey is an Omaha boy and a son of J. F. Bailey of this city.

## Arthur L. Palmer Appointed Secretary to State Fuel Head

State Fuel Administrator Kennedy announces the appointment of Arthur L. Palmer, young Omaha attorney, as executive secretary to headquarter here tonight show the Atlantic division, comprising New York, Connecticut and New Jersey have passed the 1,000,000 mark, New York City supplying 421,000.

The Pennsylvania division reported 631,953 members, of which Philadelphia furnished 379,000. The southwestern division, including Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas, reported that returns received assured an enrollment of 1,700,000. Its quota is 1,162,000.

## FIRE ENDANGERS ESSEN FACTORIES, KAISER'S MAINSTAY

**Fire Reported Burning Fiercely for Last Twenty-four  
Hours; Destruction of Plant May Put Effective  
Damper on German Hopes for Suc-  
cess in World War.**

Maestricht, Holland, Friday, Dec. 21.—(British Admiralty, per Wireless Press.)—Workmen from Essen, Germany, say that the Krupp plant, the great German munitions establishment, has been ablaze for 24 hours.

This great plant was one of the prominent factors in the preparations of the German government for the world war, and in the marked efficiency of that government in carrying it on.

MAY DEFEAT GERMANY.

## OMAHA OVER RED CROSS DRIVE QUOTA

**Nearly 45,000 Memberships  
Obtained by Noon Today;  
Now Trying to Reach  
70,000 Goal.**

Omaha passed its quota of 40,000 Red Cross memberships early Saturday morning. By noon the figures had swelled to close to 45,000. The figures on the Christmas stocking indicator on the First National bank building have been renumbered to 70,000, and the campaign committee is working harder than ever to reach this goal. Street solicitation today in charge of Mrs. Henry Dooley will bring in a large number, it is thought. "Turn in your money, memberships and supplies to campaign headquarters," is the word emanating from that source with the end of the big membership drive in sight. "Sixty per cent of the 5,000 solicitors are holding out their money and making no reports. This is seriously embarrassing the campaign committee, which has no way in which to estimate the real standing of Omaha in the nation-wide drive."

Many Places Re-Visited.

Failure to return reports is also causing a great deal of duplication of effort. Not satisfied with the membership standing, the campaign committee is sending out squads of solicitors who return with the statement that memberships have already been taken out in these designated places. Headquarters, however, have no record of this on account of laxity of solicitors in turning in their money and cards.

"We cannot emphasize too strongly how important it is that the return be made as soon as possible," say the campaign committee members in one accord.

Sunday morning at 9 o'clock volunteer workers will report at headquarters in the Keeline building for assignment to districts for the afternoon residence district drive.

Mrs. W. B. Tagg of the South Side women's committee reports 1,500 memberships by her committee. Seven hundred memberships were taken out at the two booths in headquarters in the Keeline building Friday.

**Theater Audiences Help.**

At the Orpheum and Strand theaters, 270 memberships were taken Friday night. At the Orpheum 97 was thrown on the stage for membership for poor who could not afford them. A Cleveland man threw a \$20 gold piece on the stage at the Strand. L. A. Williams of Blair purchased a \$25 membership in Detroit, another \$25 one in Omaha and threw a \$25 check on the stage at the Orpheum. J. Rinkne, a laborer for the Drake-Williams company, endorsed a \$9 pay check and sent it with a letter to the Red Cross committee.

The C. C. Foltz home is quarantined with scarlet fever but the family telephoned they had a \$3 membership. The committee is going after the money, quarantine or no quarantine. Miss Elizabeth Davis turned in \$145 in memberships in hairdressing and millinery establishments.

C. S. Montgomery made a Red (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

## NATION-WIDE RESPONSE TO RED CROSS CRY

Washington, Dec. 21.—In addition to the report of the lake division, which has exceeded its quota of enrollments in the Red Cross Christmas membership campaign, reports to headquarters here tonight show the Atlantic division, comprising New York, Connecticut and New Jersey have passed the 1,000,000 mark, New York City supplying 421,000.

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Its destruction would be a serious handicap to the German army and would deprive it of its principal source of military supplies. Even its partial destruction would delay if not prevent Hindenburg's projected offensive against the western front and play no small part in forcing the Germans to cease hostilities in Italy.

The pit at Essen, the main establishment of the Krupp, the largest manufacturers in Germany of arms and munitions, employed about 30,000 men before the war. It has been expanded greatly during the war.

Facts relating to its present size and the number of workmen are kept secret by the German government.

It was reported unofficially in October of last year that about 70,000 persons, including several thousand women, were at work there and that 20,000 were to be added to the force.

STRIKE DELAYS WORK.

Early this year there was a strike at the Krupp works, said to have been due to lack of food. It was reported that 40,000 workers were involved and that the authorities combatted it by sending many of the men to the front, but little authentic information was permitted to come out of Germany.

Essen is in Rhenish Prussia, about 40 miles from the Dutch border. Few places in Germany are guarded more carefully. No persons unknown to the German authorities are permitted to visit the town.

The plan has been raised several times by French and British airmen, notwithstanding its formidable anti-aircraft defenses. Press dispatches last July said 100 persons there had been killed in a raid by French airplanes and that considerable damage had been done to the works.

## HUNT IS GIVEN GOVERNORSHIP OF ARIZONA

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 22.—The Arizona supreme court today seated G. W. P. Hunt as governor of Arizona. Hunt contested the election of Governor Campbell, who now holds the office. Hunt is a democrat.

On the face of the returns Campbell was given the certificate of election by the small margin of 31 votes. Hunt instituted a contest, declaring that a recount would show he had been elected. He declined to surrender the office on January 1, but when the supreme court issued an order declaring Campbell the de facto governor pending the appeal he vacated and Campbell has held the office during these months.

On a recount of the vote Judge Sanford of the superior court of Maricopa county declared Campbell elected. The decision of the lower court was regarded as ambiguous and an appeal was taken to the court above, which today unanimously decided that the recount showed that Hunt had been elected by 43 votes.

## Fremont Kennel Club Helps Gardner Family

"Enclosed find draft for \$10.50. Please hand to Mrs. T. Gardner to accept with our compliments, and if 'Shep' gets hungry to call on us again."

The foregoing is the text of a communication received at The Bee office from Otto Pohl, secretary of the Fremont Kennel club. In compliance to Mr. Pohl's request the draft will be turned over to Mrs. T. Gardner, 6148 Bedford avenue, for the benefit of her children and faithful "Shep."

Fremont dog lovers just could not resist the stirring appeal of the Gardner "kiddies" that they be allowed to keep their dumb companion when their mother made public the fact that she had decided to sell "Shep" to get money to buy necessities, and with the help of kind-hearted people the little almost broke-hearted "kiddies" will not be deprived of their pet.

It sure will be a joyous Christmas in the Gardner home.

## Janitor Attends Court House Dance in "Spike Tails"

Court house employees and their friends held their annual holiday dance in the rotunda of the court house Friday night. More than 200 dancers took part in the festivities. One of the janitors attended the dance attired in correct evening attire. In spite of the staidly atmosphere created by the appearance of a "swallow-tail," and "silk tie," the formality of the occasion was soon thawed by the efforts of the jazz band and the marble halls of justice rang with the latest rag as if nothing unusual had happened.