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DETECTIVE AMERICAN BOYS IN ACTION **GERMAN STRIKES** PERSHING'S TROOPS ENDANGER AIR BATTLE WITH ENEMY **ON FRENCH FRONT** 

Germans Raid American Sector and Inflict Small Loss; Teuton Casualties Reported Heavy; Artillery Barrage Preceded Attack; One Sammy Blown to Pieces By Exploding Shell.

(By Associated Press.)

With the American Army in France, Wednesday, Jan. 30 .- An American position on a certain section of the French that the commander also ordered that front was raided during the heavy fog shortly after daylight this morning. /

The attack was preceded by a violent artillery barrage.

TWO SAMMIES KILLED. O-Two Americans were killed and four wounded. One soldier is missing DISORDERS IN and is believed to have been captured by the enemy.

BUSY SECTOR. ' Casualties have been occurring al-

most daily for several days in this sector. It is now permitted to disclose that

all the recent casualties given out from Washington occurred in this sector.

The deaths were caused by shell fire, mostly shrapnel.

Last night was fairly quiet throughgut the American sector. The usual number of shells came over, doing no damage, and there were the customary sporadic outbursts of machine gun fire from both sides at points where the opposing lines are near-

**POWER OF KAISER** Spread of Unrest to Aldershof

and Spandau Jeopardize Balloon and Munitions Plants Vital to War.

BULLETIN Amsterdam, Jan. 31-The military commander at Hamburg has ordered a cessation of the strike here, says the Cologne Gazette. . The despatch adds

future strikes be avoided. ...Clergymen vainly exhorted the strikers in Hamburg yesterday to con-tinue their work, the Cologne Gazette says. The workers proceeded to the trades union headquarters and ad-opted a resolution opposing the pan-German fatherland nerty and demand. German fatherland party and demanding immediate peace without annex-ations or indemnities, better labor conditions and improvement of the

in command of the district and said the strikers would not resort to violence.

Evidence of the extent of the strike in Hamburg is found in the Cologne





On Trains, at Hotels, News Stands, Etc., Sc.

RDERED.

Frank Rooney Dies in Hospital After Making Statement: Thomas McKay, One of Cornered Men, Gets Bullet in Back; Two Others Wounded; One Man Is Still At Large.



FIRST DEGREE MURDER CHARGES FILED

O Charges of murder were filed yesterday afternoon against all five of the diamond bandits captured Wednesday night after a bloody battle in a Dodge street house.

**Detective Frank Rooney died** at St. Joseph's hospital at 2 o'clock on the afternoon and

BANDIT NEAR DEATH.

B. C. Kirke, Sam Stone, Frank Martin, Harry Williams and Thomas McKay are the five bandits charged with murder. McKay lies at St. Joseph's hospital

at the point of death. Stone was shot three

FINLAND ARE **GROWING WORSE** Wealthy Russians Who Fled to

Helsingfors for Safety Now Find Situation More Dangerous There.

London, Jan. 31 .- The latest ad-vices from Petrograd report continued fighting and disorders in Finland. It pire. is believed that the Roumanian legation, who started for Stockholm, got no further than /Terijoki, about 30 miles from Petrograd.

food supply. A deputation waited on the general

(By Associated Press.)

Amsterdam, Jan. 31 .- (British Admiralty per Wireless Press.)-The strike has been, extended in districts near Berlin, especially in Tegel, Aldershof, Spandau and Mariendorf, where 500,000 men have quit work.

A similar number of workmen are on strike in the remainder of the em-



FRANK MARTIN, SAM STONE, B. C. KIRKE.

SHOT THROUGH BODY

BULLETINS

BRITISH TAKE PRISONERS.

London, Jan. 31 .- The official state-

"Our patrol secured prisoners last

neighborhood of Passchendaele .there

FIGHTING IN FINLAND.

is nothing further to report."

#### Ecavy Fog in Morning.

est.

At daybreak this morning the heavy whole position and the country for miles around for several days became still thicker, blotting out all except the nearest enemy positions.

At 7 o'clock three muffled reports sounded through the fog. | The. : were three whistles, followed quickly by three shell-bursts.

The projectiles exploded on three sides of an American listening post just outside the wire, within 45 feet of an enemy listening post. "Hell Broke Loose."

## "Then hell broke loose," said one

of the men there. For 15 minutes the enemy broke hundreds of high explosive 77s around the post and the surrounding ground, cutting off the men there. Two of them were killed in the first to be still in control.

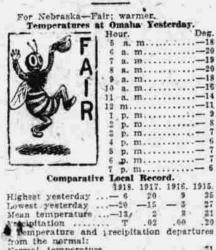
few minutes. Another man who was at the post told the correspondent later, as he was lying on a cot in a field hospital, that he saw four Germans approaching out of the fog as the barrage lifted.

He brought his automatic rifle into play and saw two of the Germans

He kept on firing until shell aplinters hit him in head and arms. "The last I remember in the time before I reached the hospital," said another wounded man, "is seeing tomething moving through the fog. "I determined to get some Germans and put my rifle to my shoulder, but never pulled the trigger. There was a dealening explosion behind me. Frozen earth, ice, stones and shell splinters came my way." Inspection of the scene of the raid

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### The Weather



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of Weather.	7 p. m.	est.	fall.
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- indicates below zero. L. A. WELSH. Meteorolog

Many of the wealthier residents of Petrograd fied into Tinland to escape og which had been enveloping the the revolutionary troubles in the Rus-, whole position and the country for sian capital, thinking to find a safe

retreat.

Some took their entire fortunes with them. It now appears that they escaped from one evil only to en-

counter another equally as great. Members of the Finnish senate are said to have taken refuge in Vasa. in Berlin alone, according to press Most of the news of the puzzling situation is coming from Stockholm

and Copenhagen. It consists largely of reports of fighting in which General Mannerholm, commanding the "protection corps," which seems to be the national guard formed by the Finnish government, claims successes.

General Mannerholm is reported marching to attack Helsingfors, where the Red Guard and its adherents/seem

#### **Ohio River Five Feet**

Above the Danger Line patches, will affect one of the im-Cincinnuati, O., Jan. 31 .-- With gorges at Carrollton, Ky., and Madison, Ind., holding, the Ohio river, rising here one foot an hour for the last 24 hours, had reached a

stage of 55 feet at noon today, or five feet above the danger line. The Central Union railway station was abandoned.

The government weather bureau explains that a break in the gorges will send the river stage here down faster than it raised today.

## British Casualty

## List for Month

London, Jan. 31.—British casual-ties reported during January totaled 73,017, divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds: Officers,

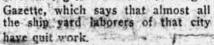
358; men, 13,698. Wounded or missing: Officers, 1,205; men, 57,756.

The January casualties show a slight falling off from those reported during December, which reached a total of 79,527. The total for November was

MRS. B. C. KIRKE

One of the women arrested

129,089, reflecting the severe fighting on the Cambrai front in that month.



Strike Is Growing.

After the men in the vulcan vards walked out, the others struck yester-day, declaring their solidarity with the vulcan workers. Germany's strike troubles are growng and more than 700,000 men are out

> dispatches to neutral countries. Affect Balloon Industry.

New York, Jan. 31 .- Acorrespondent of the Associated Press who was stationed at Berlin until America entered the war, and who recently returned to the United States from Copenhagen, where he went after the outbreak of hostilities, has written the following statement of the effect

strikes in German cities are likely to have upon the production of muniions. "Strikes at Adlershof, the Berlin suburb mentioned in today's dis-

portant centers of the German military airplanes and balloon industry Important war chemical works, specializing in the manufacture of constituents for munitions, also are located in the Berlin suburb.

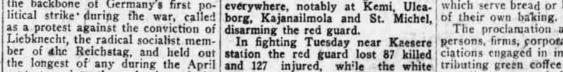
nent from British headquarters in Arsenal at Spandau, France and Belgium issued today "Spandau, where the strike also is reads: eported spreading, is the site of one f Germany's big arsenals, and a cen hight in the neighborhood of Epehy. ter for the manufacture of ammuni-Beyond some hostile artillery activity tion, as well as electrical plants desouth and north of Lens and in the

voted to war work. "Spandau and Adlershof differ from the usual German industrial centers in that large numbers of skilled ervice because of their greater value in war plants, are employed there rather than the women and youths Shows Decrease who make up a high proportion of

Germany's industrial army in war ime. The men are largely enrolled long time.

Boosted Former Strike.

"The Spandau workmen formed the backbone of Germany's first po-Liebknecht, the radical socialist member of the Reichstag, and held out



the longest of any during the April and 127 injured, while the white protest against the reduction of the guard lost only eight killed and one bread ration -. ' wounded.

## Householder's Dream of Rout of H.C.L. Dashed by Increased Prices

Washington, Jan. 31 .- Retail prices to December, 1917, prices of food as of food regained in December the 1 a whole advanced 24 per cent. Pota-per cent decrease which in November toes and onions were the only articles caused householders to hope that the showing a decline, time of deliverance from the high Interpreted in dollars, the food that

cost of living was at hand. Of 27 articles for which prices are same food could be bought for 72 tistics, 16 were more costly in Decem- cents in 1914. There was a decline ber than in the preceding month, three to 88 cents in 1915, then a big jump remained the same and eight dropped of 11 cents to \$1 in 1916 and a still bigger increase last year.

slightly. Eggs showed the greatest increase. Since the beginning of 1917 the re-per cent; butter and hens advancing tail prices have fluctuated at a relaper cent each; rice, milk, lard and tively lower level than the wholesale chuck roast following close after. prices. Onions showed the greatese decrease, 14 per cent; bread, potatoes, sugar. Farm products and clothing reached their highest price in November, 39

In the year from December, 1916, regulation

One of three desperadoes wounded in gun fight at robbers' den. Surgeons at St. Joseph's hospital say he will die. LATE WAR



President's Proclamation Provides That All Restaurants, Clubs, Bakeries and Hotels Must Get Permits.

Washington, Jan. 31 .- President

Wilson today by proclamation or-Stockholm, Wednesday, Jan. 30 .--dered that all persons, firms, corporations and associations manufacturing All is quiet in Helsingfors, a dispatch from that city reports, but fighting cuits, pastry or other bakery products bread in any form, cake, crackers, bisis under way at other points in Finmust procure license on or before in the rea s of the radical socialist land between the red guard, which is February 4, excepting those already party and 'ave been restive and dis-satisfied . In the government for a white guard, which is upholding the of flour and meal is less than three Finnish government. The white guard is fighting with barrels a month.

The white guard is fighting with enthusiasm and scoring successes everywhere, notably at Kemi, Ulea-

The proclamation also orders that

In fighting Tuesday near Kaesere persons, firms, corpotations and asso-station the red guard lost 87 killed clations engaged in importing or dispersons, firms, corpotations and asso-Detective who was mortally wounded liams, the fifth of the fugitives, who cure license on or before February 4, All applications for license are to be made to the United States food the building. Automobile searchtributing green coffee also must pro-

administration. Violations are punishable by a pen-alty prescribed by congress in the food conservation act.

# ASK 40 PER CENT

Washington, Jan. 31 .- Demands for

half of the railway operating income of last year.

BY JOHN E. KENNEBECK. Six hours after the sensational dismond robbery in Dodge street yesterday afternoon the Omaha police de-

partment had captured five auto bandits charged with the crime. The arrests were made after a bloody battle fought in the dark between the desperadoes and a posse of

plain clothes men at the robbers' den n North Fourteenth avenue, Detective Frank Rooney was shot in the abdomen. Thomas McKay, one of the bandits, was wounded in the back, the bullet penetrating the abdomen; Sam Stone, another of the highwaymen, sustained a builet wound in the head and Frank Martin was wounded by flying splinters torn from the woodwork of the bungalow.

While the battle raged in the bedroom on the second floor Harry Wil-

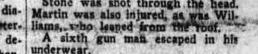
FRANK ROONEY

I was an eye-witness to the battle.

While the house was being sur-

FORCE THEIR WAY IN.

roken in the fall.



#### HUNT SIXTH MAN.

Police late yesterday left for East Omaha in automobiles following a report the bandit was hiding in a house, but found no one.

The officers were armed with sawed-off shotguns and rifles. They said they would take no chances with the desperado, who was reported to be heavily armed.

Rooney, detective, who gamely fought the robbers until two bullets penetrated his abdomen, made a dea'hbed statement.

The detective, one of the most popular men on the police force, was surrounded by his relatives when he died.

"One of the best-hearted and gamest men who ever wore a star on the Omaha police force," was the unanimous tribute to the murdered detective, when his fellow officers at central police station received word that he had died.

ROONEY SHOT TWICE.

Police Detective Frank Rooney and Thomas McKay, alleged diamond rob-ber, were shot in a pitched battle between officers and bandits in a house at 3207 North Fourteenth avenue Wednesday night. Rooney, shot twice through the

abdomen, gamely attempted to con-tinue the fight. McKay, most seriously injured of the gun men, fell with a bullet which penetrated his abdomen

Another of the bandits escaped to the roof. Searchlights were played upon him and he was made the target for a battery of police revolvers. Caught like a rat in a trap, the desperado attempted to slide down a wire and fell to the ground. He suffered

a broken back. Frank Stone, bandit, was shot by detectives as he attempted to escape through a window. The bullet entered his head. He will live.

ESCAPE WITH LOOT. The battle occurred about five hours after six unmasked bandits swooped

down upon a jewelry store in Dodge street, cowed the propretor and clerks with threats of death and escaped with \$15,000 worth of diamonds

and jewelery. The daring daylight robbery, and the gun fight which followed when detectives surrounded the rendezvous of the bandits were the most sensational in the history of Omaha crime.

#### Five Gun Men Captured.

Hundreds of shots were exchanged detectives and bandits.

leaped to the ground. His back was Detective Rooney fell mortally vounded early in the fight. The battle came to a close when five of the accompanied the officers to the gun men were captures.

Two women were arrested in the same house with the bandits.-

Two other robbers besides McKay were, injured. The sixth gunman escaped from the bullet-riddled house. Early Thursday morning detectives found about \$5,000 worth of the missing gliamonds in a crevice of the roof of the bandits' retreat. Between \$8,000 "Why, Mrr. Daisy lives here," the and \$10,000 worth of gems and jew-

## woman answered and the detectives ciry still are missing. forced their way into the place. Recover Missing

Recover Missing Diamonds. Investigation by Detective Dolan Two bandits who were downstairs Investigation by Detective Dolan opened fire on the detectives from led to the discovery of the fugitives ambush, and then rushed upstairs af-in the house owned by Mrs. Pessie ter several more shots were exchang-Daisy, formerly Mrs. E. R. Tarry, at 3207 North Fourteenth avenue. After Wh" the detectives made their a two-hour watch the detectives (Continued on Page Five, Column Six.) [(Continued on Page Seven, Column

## month are licensed. lishments hertofore unregulated. cost \$1 in 1916 cost \$1.29 in 1917. The received by the bureau of labor sta-cents in 1907, 82 cents in 1910 and 90 RAIL EMYLOYES

WAGE INCREASE

wage increases pending before the railroad wage commission are for an aggregate average of 40 per cent, it

gunman's hiding place and the leaden missiles began to chip off bits of wood-Under existing regulations proclaimed by the president in Novem-ber last, all bakers, clubs, hotels, etc., work and shingles around him he using 10 barrels of flour or more a The new proclamation extends the food administration's control so as to take in thousands of small estab- house. No othe: newspaper man was present

rounded by police officers, Detectives Dolan, Rooney and Danhaum were met at the front door by Mrs. Kirke. "Who lives here, lady? We're of-ficers," Dolan said.