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U. S. TROOPS BATTLE GERMANS IN FRANCE; GERMAN SOCIALIST LEADERS UNDER ARREST

STRIKE IN GERMANY WANING UNDER IRON RULE OF MILITARY

General Von Kessell Threatens Trial by Court Martial and Summary Execution for Strikers Failing to Resume Work Today; Deputy Dittman of Reichstag Arrested for Treason.

(By Associated Press.)

Amsterdam, Feb. 3.-Ending of the strike in Germany on Monday is predicted in a semi-official statement issued in Berlin on Saturday evening. It follows:

"The strike everywhere is on the wane. Many factories now are working with full staffs, and it is assumed the strike will be ended entirely on Monday. This opinion is confirmed by reports from all parts of the country."

After more than half the ship yards workers at Hamburg had resumed work, the strikers' committee there resolved to call the workmen out again Saturday, according to a copy of the Berlan Lokal Anzeiger of that day received here.

ARE DISCHARGED

ice: Declared to Be Aliens,

Allowed to Return to

Homes.

(By Associated Press.)

Deming, N. M., Feb. 3 .- Que hun-

dred twenty-four alien soldiers of the

Cody near here, will not be interned

but will be given travel pay and al-

This action follows the discharge

yesterday of seven Austrians and one

civil officers as enemy aliens. The

eight men discharged yesterday were

alleged to have made statements dis-

loyal to the United States,

Warn Dealers Against

The scale follows:

ceed I cent a pound.

men were lost.

made tonight.

cents a barrel.

Wholesalers - Gross

Retailers-Gross maximum profit

London, Feb. 3 .- The British

armed boarding steamer Louvain,

Lieutenant Commander M. G.

Easton commanding, was torpedoed

and sunk by a German submarine

in the eastern Mediterranean on

January 21. Seven officers and 217

AT DEMING, N. M.

PUNISHMENT THREAT. O-London, Feb. 3.—General von Kessel, military commandant of Brandenburg province, in which Berlin is situated, threatens summary punishment of strikers, who fail to obey his order that they resume work on Monday morning. An exchange telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen says the proclamation set 7 o'clock as the hour at which they must return to work,

"Employes failing to resume work will be tried by court martial, which is authorized to impose sentence of death, execution to take place within 24 hours of the time the sentence is

DITTMAN HELD FOR TREASON. Deputy Dittman of the Reichstag, who was arrested while addressing strikers, is accused not only of infringing martial law, but of inciting to high treason, according to the Berlin 34th national guard division, compris-The Lokal Anzeiger says ne

urged in his speech that the strike Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota and must be maintained. WORKERS STILL RESTLESS. Germany's workers are still in a of the service." restless mood and although the strike The action was taken on instruc-movement appears to be on the wane. tions from the adjutant general at largely through the adoption of Washington. The men, who were drastic measures by the authorities, members of 16 organizations in the there are threats of further demon- division, which is in training at Camp strations and a continuation of spor-

adic disorders. Berlin and its environs remain the lowances and permitted to proceed to center of the disturbance. The city their homes. They will not be recomis under military control. Factories mended for re-enlistment, however. where strikes are in progress have been militarized, say dispatches, and the workers warned to report for German, who were ordered held for work by Monday morning or undergo military discipline.

Riots on Thursday.

The most serious disturbances appear to have occurred in Berlin Thursday when crowds got out of hand, poverturned street cars, interfered with workers who had kept to their employment and frequently collided with

In one case when a panic broke out ers in wheat flour was suggested from a car window. after a shot had been fired the police by the food administration today drawn sabers, 30 strikers and many charged in excess of those proposed would be considered for investigation. dau, an important suburb, there were similar disorders and a mod is re-

Angry Over Arrest.

A nationwide demonstration is threatened over the arrest of Deputy than original mill packages not to ex-William Dittmann, one of the independent socialist leaders, for attempt ing to address a street crowd. The 224 Britons Go Down on completeness of the military control of Berlin is indicated by the reported refusal of Chancellor von Hertling to order the deputy's release when asked to do so, giving as a reason that he was powerless to interfere, as the capital was entirely in military hands. At the same time a great number of socialist leaders were arrested in Berlin, The semi-official statement sent

from Berlin on Friday night declares that Friday's disturbances were of a minor nature, that men were return high water mark.

Krupp Plant Runs.

The Krupp plant at Essen was in full swing, it was asserted, while work was again proceeding in the ship vards at Hamburg and Danzeig and (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.)

The Weather



1918, 1917, 1916, 191 Flighest yesterday ...19 34 11 1 recipitation

American Guard of Honor for French Here's Who Are Decorated for Bravery



AMERICAN GUARD OF HONOR.

Ocommittee on Fiblic Information Supplied by INS.

CAR LINE STRIKE

Surface Roads of Mound City Almost Completely Blocked as Result of Labor Difficulty.

124 Soldiers Let Out of Serv-St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 3 .- Street railway traffic in St. Louis was almost at a standstill today as a result of the strike of motormen and conductors who went out last midnight. About 60 cars were operated today, a trifle

Conductors Strike; Hit

ing former national guardsmen of St. Louis Mo. Feb. 3.-A demand for discontinuance of al-Nebraska, were ordered discharged leged discrimination in favor of Pfrom the army today "for the good women conductors, and for higher wages was presented to the United Railways, the local traction company, by officials of a newly organized union of car employes to-

> The men claim that women conductors are given preference as to daylight runs.

Conductors and motormen said they understood a strike would be called at midnight, Sunday night.

more than one-tenth of the normal Sunday service. Fifty arrests were made for minor

be made to operate any of the lines tonight. Three men were shot in strike riots Undue Profits on Wheat tonight, according to reports received Washington, Feb. 3 .- A scale of at police headquarters. Albert

profits for wholesale and retail deal- Hoeldge, a striker, said he was shot age number of torpedoes carried in

Police raided the headquarters of ported to have attacked soldier profit not to exceed from 50 to 75 Industrial Workers of the World had and six, depending on their saze. any part in fomenting the strike.

on original mill packages not to ex-ceed 80 cents to \$1.20 a barrel; on less Women Urge U. S. to Join In Russ Peace Farley

New York, Feb. 3.-Resolutions urging the United States government Ship Sunk by Germans on the basis of "no forcible annexations and no punitive indemnities" and "immediate recognition of the de facto Russian government" were adopted at the convention of the New York state branch of the woman's peace party here today.

A plea for the passage of the federal woman suffrage amendment also This official announcement was was contained in resolutions of greetings to be sent President Wilson.

ing to work and that prevailing opinion was that the strike had passed the Dr. W. J. Leary, Captain in Army, Leaves for Kelly's Field, Texas

Dr. William J. Leary, who was commissioned as captain in the United States Medical Reserve corps, left last Tuesday for Kelly's Field, San Antonio, Tex., where he will serve with the aviation division.

He was born in Omaha, was graduated from Creighton college of arts in 1904, as a valedictorian of his class. served as police surgeon, and was an interne in St. Joseph's hospital. During the last two summers he was in charge of the life-saving crew at Municipal beach, Carter lake.

A friend of Dr. Leary wrote these lines: "In his going to serve with Uncle Sam, Omaha has added another full-fledged citizen to the number of boys in khaki, who will do their full

Waldorf-Astoria Bought

By Dupont for \$20,000,000 New York, Feb. 3 .- A company in which T. Coleman Dupont is finan-cially interested has been formed to Deficiency for cor, period 1815.. 0.64 inches hotel. The safe involved \$20,000,000.



American troops in France actingO as guard of honor for French heroes being decorated for bravery under fire. The scene was an inspiration for our boys at the training camp where the ceremonies took place.

Factories Unable to Furnish Enough to Keep U-Boats Busy; U. Ş. Destroyers Good Dodgers.

(By Associated Press.) Base of American Flotilla in Brit-

pedoes is one of the most serious Preference to Women | facts with which the directors of the in the government, he declared, he absolutely unable to turn out first- covenanter. class torpedoes in anywhere near sufsubmarines. In fact, the underwater is unreasonable, declaring: craft are being turned out faster than plied with their chief weapon.

Germany's fleet of U-boats must in their minds surrender, there will be carry thousands of torpedoes. Thou- no settlement.' sands more must always be ready in reserve. In fact the reserve supply should be larger today than a year ago to allow for the more frequent ist party, is receiving in Belfast does calls made upon it. The augmented not promise well for a harmonious acts of violence. At dark all cars destroyer patrol is responsible for solution of the Irish question in the were returned to the sheds, and it this. They have made the submarines near future. was announced that no effort would use up more torpedoes and have caused them to return to their base BOSTON OPERA CO., approves the selection and will not more frequently for reloading.

Torpedo Rations.

Eight may be said to be the averone submarine. The number ranges Another striker was shot at the car from four to 12, according to the type are declared to have charged with with the warning that any margins barns in the western part of the city of submarine. The U-53 which raided shipping off the Atlantic coast of the would be considered for investigation. the Industrial Workers of the World United States carried 10. More re- the fact that grand opera in Boston and arrested 30 men. The secretary cent types load as many as 12. Mine maximum of the organization denied that the layers can accommodate two, four

In connection with this shortage is commanders, now are strictly "rationed" as far as their supply of torpodoes is concerned, and are not permitted to waste torpodocs on long 'chance shots" except under circumstances which they muse explain in to join Russia in peace negotiations detal as justifying the expenditure of the precious underwater missles.

Must be at Close Range.

Recently the German factories have been turning out a smaller torpedo which is less acturately tested, but which may be used with a fair degree of certainty at close range. Of late very few German torpedos has proved effective unless at fairly close range and it has become unusual for a Uboat commander to make any attempt at a merchant ship unless he can get within 500 to 600 yards.

The Germans are now using two types of torpedoes. They may be described as short-charge and fullcharge torpedoes. The short-charge is the one used mostly against merchant shipping and is fired at 500 to 600 yards. The full charge, which has probably twice the destructive force and is better made, is reserved for men-of-war. It is fired at a greater distance and is used less frequently! than the cheaper torpedo.

U. S. Destroyers Alert.

But the comparative immunity of the American destroyers from torpedo attack-despite the loss of the Jacob Jones and the slight disablement of the Cassin-is noteworthy in this connection. The Germans hate the American destroyers as one of their worst enemies in their most fertile field of action and there is scarcely an American destroyer but has had one or more German torpedoes fired at it, yet only twice have the torpedoes found their mark.

The Americans and the British with whom they are co-operating so successfully in this game of hunting "tin-fish", attribute their immunity to the mobility of the destroyer The alertness of the American naval men coupled with their well known keen-ness for offensive tactics against the submarine have been responsible for their slight losses. Sharp lookouts and skillfull maneuvering enable them to cheat the Germans so often.

STATES CARSON:

Declares Unionists Alone Have Shown Reason in Effort to Settle Irish Question; Solution Long Way Off.

Belfast, Feb. 3.-In a speech before he unionist council today, Sir Edward Carson said that the circumstances had arisen at the Irish convention indicating the possibility of trouble over the steps the governish Waters, Feb. 3.-Shortage of tor- ment should take if the convention should break down. If he remained would is a well known and admitted fact adopted. On the other hand, he was ary forces, that German factories are at present not free, because of his pledges as a Secretary

the torpedoes with the result that re- any reason at all. Some of our old course has been had to various ex- friends and supporters, who are calling pedients to keep the submarines sup- out for a settlement, really mean surrender. If by settlement people have

London, Feb. 2.-The series of receptions and ovations that Sir Edward H. Carson, leader of the Irish union-

HARD HIT BY WAR, but so far as is known no official reply has come from General Persh-WINS COURT SUIT Hitchcock for Munitions

Boston, Feb. 3.-Judicial notice of when subsidized in peace times by the cabinet and director 'of munitions late Ben D. Jordan, was taken by the bills will continue in the sear.te next 12 captured. the interesting fact that all U-boat federal court yesterday in dismissing week notwithstanding President Wilclaims for damages filed by Walter son called to the White House yes- in France and Belgium runs through M. Smith, a musician, and Edoardo terday a number of democratic sen- French and German Lorraine. French Ferrari Fontana, a singer, against the ators and told them to put an end to Lorraine, in which is the American

> Referee James H. Olmstead rethe outbreak of the war.

held, "that if grand opera could hardy be a success in peace times even Government Orders Ten though subsidized, it was rendered impossible by the existence of a universal world war, and therefore feel that a public calamity over which the party had no control, to terminate it." These findings were embodied in a decree filed by Judge Hale.

Fire at Naval Base.

ing. A relief vessel carrying supplies under old methods of working con-has been sent from Noriolk.

icans slightly in the morning.

General Bliss Will Stay in France to Represent America on Inter-Allied War Council.

Washington, Feb. 3.-Speeding up of general staff activities is expected General Peyton C. March as acting proceed virtually to any point within the zone of fire except the trenches, without escort and without special ment of which depends only on advices from General Pershing that the quarters, a few kilometers behind the ave to be a party to its delib- officer can be spared from his duties trenches after first reporting German U-boat war are now faced. It would have to be a party to be a par

Director in Spite of Wilson

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Washington, Feb. 3 .- (Special.)-

Senator Wadsworth of New York ported to the court that contracts with members of the military affairs com- ital is Nancy, and Vosges, with the Smith and Fontana were terminated mittee, and in favor of these meaby the company in 1914, soon after sures had both given notice Thursday they would speak the one on "I am of the opinion," the referee Monday and the other on Tuesday.

SAMMIES OCCUPY SECTOR 150 MILES LONG IN LORRAINE

Entire American Front Resounds With the Boom of Big Guns; Many Spectacular Air Fights Are Staged; Germans Now Giving Their Attention to Sector Held by Pershing.

(By Associated Press.)

With the American Army in France,-American troops are occupying a sector of the Lorraine front in France. This announcement is permitted by the military censor.

The whole American sector is resounding with the boom of guns. Artillery fire became exceedingly active along the American front on Saturday. Enemy snipers wounded two Amer-

BATTLE IN THE AIR U. S. ARMY STAFF

his plans today, but it is known that there is some occurence which makes He protested against any attempt he has determined upon General it inadvisable in the opinion of the ficient quantities for the needs of the to create an atmosphere that Ulster March as the most suitable officer to brigade commander for correspon-"Ulster alone in Ireland has shown tant post. General Bliss, the staff may walk from his headquarters chief, will remain in France as the to regimental headquarters behind permanent representative of the the lines. United States on the supreme war council, which determines policies to the front are within easy German gun

brought back word of the impression must wear gas masks in alert positions under General Pershing. Private an escorting officer. messages from France have indicated that the American commander

10 3,500 ton concrete ships were let to St. Mihiel and east to the German today by the shipping board to the border. There it turns to the south-Ferror Concrete Shipbuilding corpora. east and almost parallels the border tion of Redondo Beach, Cal. The first to the vicinity of Leintry. Below vessel is to be delivered within six Leintry it cuts across a section of months and the other nine within a

The building company will use a United States naval base at Cherry- new plan of construction, recently at a point west of Colmar. The restone, Va., today destroyed a large patented, by which it claims it can warehouse containing food and cloth- build the vessels more rapidly than

SHONTS RAPS WOMEN'S DRESS; **DEFENDS "CONDUCTORETTES"**

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Feb. 3.- Theodore P. Shonts, president of the company that operates most of New York City's car lines, having decreed some time ago that the "conductorettes" recently employed to replace men should wear bloomers as part of their uniforms, now comes forward to defend the costume against the criticism that it is immodest.

In a letter to critics he made public tonight the railway president says:

"Compared with the distorted figure of the days of tight lacing, the unsightly bustle, the unwieldy hoopskirt and paptalette, as well as the present-what shall I say-near waistless party or theater gown, the cross-saddle riding habit, the average summer resort bathing suit, the peek-aboo shirt waist, the short street skirt, with its far-short-of-reaching high top shoes, I repeat, as compared with these, I consider the neat, business-like uniforms of our conductorettes, with its knee-length semimilitary coat, closely buttoned collar, easy fitting bloomers and puttee covered legs, a splendid example of a modest, practical utility dress.

"If, in favor of common sense and patriotism women have courage to sweep aside hide-bound conventions that they may the better do their bit, why should we attempt to handicap them with false notions of modesty about dress?"

A shift of the wind today deared away the mist which has hindered aerial operations and other activities

for several days A number of battles in the air were fought by patrolling planes early this afternoon. In one instance the French aviators defeated an attempt of German fliers to cross behind the American trenches. The artillery and snipers also have been increasingly active. American 75's are harrassing traffic behind the enemy trenches. The Germans are confining their fire largely to the American trenches.

Throughout Friday night machine guns rattled ceaselessly from German

Newspaper Men at Front The correspondents permanently accrediated to the American army to follow the appointment of Major have been informed that they may quarters of the division of Secretary Baker would not discuss which the brigade is a part. Unless take over the work of this impor- dents to move nearer the front they

Since all roads immediately behind be carried out on the various fronts. range and under German observation, Both officers and civilians who have not more than two correspondents returned from France recently have may move forward together. They General March lad created by the and helmets. Newspapermen must energy and skill displayed in organi- obtain special permission to visit the zation of his branch of the service trenches and must be accompanied by

Line 150 Miles Long.

The fact that American troops were in the trenches in Lorraine was revealed by the German war office three months ago. At that time, according to an official German announcement, the Americans were on the front at the Rhine-Marne canal, which intersects the battle line near the German border, due east of Nancy. This announcement was made in the official report from Berlin of never was a financial success, even Discussion of the proposed war can positions in which three Amerithe first German raid on the Americans were killed, five wounded and

The eastern end of the battle line Boston Opera company in bank-Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska and of Meuse, the capital of which is Verdun; Meurthe-Et-Noselle, whose capcapital at Epinal. The length of the front in French Lorraine is about 150

Old Battle Ground.

This section of the battle line extends into the Meuse from the Marne Solid Concrete Ships near St. Menehould and runs east-Washington, Feb 3 .- Contracts for ward to the north of Verdun, south French soil, past Badonviller and Senones and to the east of St. Die, and again erosses the German border mainder of the line to the Swiss boundary is in Germany.

Since the battle of Verdun there has been no fighting of great importance along this front. For the most part it runs through high and broken country. Since the present battle line was established early in the war there has been comparatively little activity on the front to the east of the Verdun sector, the nature of the country making large operations imprac-

Funeral Services for

Elkan Seligsohn Held Funeral services for Elkan Seligsohn, who died last Friday morning, were held in Temple Israel at 2 o'clock Sunday, Rabbi Frederick Cohn officiating.

Mr. Seligsohn died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Hadra. 212 South Forty-first street, after a two weeks' illness. He was born in Russian Poland and was 81 years old. He had been a resident of Omaha 35 years. He had been a member of the congregation of the Temple Israel for many years and was prominent in the church work. Burial was in Pleasant Hill cemetery.