

DAUMIG THINKS GERMANY WON'T NEED BIG ARMY

Socialist Leader in New Government Says People Do Not Favor Militaristic Rule.

London, Dec. 6.—The man, who more than any other person is responsible for Germany's present policy is Ernst Daumig, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Daily Express. Until 1916 Daumig was a member of the staff of the socialist Vorwarts of Berlin. Later he was secretary of the independent socialist. He now is president of the national council and dictates to the six commissaries, who form the government. Daumig told a correspondent of the Express that the peace delegates would be selected by the present cabinet.

He declared the government's intention to get rid of all persons belonging to the old regime.

The strength of the new German army, Daumig told the correspondent, would be decided at the peace conference. He did not think Germany would need much of an army or navy. The Germans, he said, were totally opposed to militarism and wished to live in peaceful understanding with other nations.

Prussian Guard Support

German Social Revolution

Amsterdam, Dec. 6.—A number of regiments of the Prussian guards, some of whom made a demonstration against the government a few days ago, place themselves unreservedly at the disposal of the government and promise to defend the social revolution "by every means against all injurious influences," according to the Wolff bureau of Berlin.

Where Is Odilo Cyre?

The Board of Public Welfare, city hall, yesterday received a remittance of money from Clyde, Kas., for Odilo Cyre who is asked to call for the letter.

Cyre is said to have reported this week to the board that he was away from home without funds.

British Pension Increase.

London, Dec. 6.—The British government has decided to increase war pensions owing to the high cost of living, 20 per cent. The increase will begin from November 1 and will extend to the end of next June.

CONFERENCE WITH STRIKERS PROVES FAILURE

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Company Part Against Union. It was agreed by all conferees that the real obstacle was union recognition on the part of the men. Officials of the company in effect agreed to adjust working conditions, but not a ray of hope was given to the strikers that organized labor would be recognized by the company.

"It is such a complex situation that I do not care to say anything until it is all over," was the comment of Rev. Titus Lowe, who attended the meeting.

"I can't see that any progress has been made," was a statement by R. A. Wilson of the carpenters' union.

John T. Smith, conciliator assigned by the United States Department of Labor to the Omaha street car strike, arrived in time to attend the conference. He said:

"I am here in a capacity of conciliator and I do not have authority to order either side to render any specific act or service. My mission is to endeavor to bring about a satisfactory settlement of the dispute and to restore normal conditions as between the company and the men."

"The recognition of the union seems to be the obstacle in this case, but I am not stating my opinion as to the merits of any phase of the controversy. I will stay here as long as it is necessary to bring about a settlement. My work does not directly connect with the work of the national war labor board."

In Secret Session.

The conference was held as an executive session. Mayor Smith, who called the meeting, sat in a side room with newspaper reporters and expressed the hope that the meeting would bring forth glad tidings of a settlement. He was keenly disappointed when told of the net results, but expressed hope of better results today.

Robert Cowell would not venture an opinion on the significance of yesterday's conference, but asserted that where there was talking there was hope.

During the discussions President Wattles of the street car company and Mr. McMullan of the executive committee of the carmen's union engaged in a spirited debate, during which the whole situation was reviewed, bringing the disputants back to the point of union recognition.

Strikers on Guard.

Huge crowds gathered at the various car barns yesterday in expectation that cars would be started. Many were just waiting to see what would happen. At all the barns were groups of car men, assigned to do picket duty.

At Twenty-fourth and Ames two groups of strikers were gathered. At one point a bonfire was merely burning with the men gathered about to keep warm. On Twenty-fourth street was a harder group who were taking no chances on a car slipping past them. They were posted directly on the car tracks, and had a red railroad flare set up. There was no early disturbance, the men chaffing with each other and with the passersby.

CENTRAL LABOR WOULD BUY CITY TRACTION LINES

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"As long as we can keep them where they are we have not them to do anything with, but we have got you for a little action, and when we do we want you to show us what you can do. If the rest of you make as good showing as we have, I don't think there will be any trouble."

Referring to the meeting Friday afternoon at the city hall he said: "We showed them where we were at. Wattles is an obstinate man to do anything with, but we have got this thing right where we want it, and before we get through we are going to make Mr. Wattles put his John Henry down on this piece of paper."

He said the business men seemed to think they had violated the war labor board's ruling and should leave it to that board's decision. He added: "This thing is going to be settled like we want it, or the cars are not going to be moved."

Wants Labor Aid. J. F. McMullan, chairman of the executive committee of the railway union, spoke along the same line, and asked the other labor organizations to support the street car men in their fight. He scored the street railway company for trying to lure soldiers to operate the cars. McMullan said he had a few things up his sleeve yet to win this fight, and asked:

"If in case we want assistance, how much can we get from organized labor in Omaha? I heard tonight from a pretty good source that the company is going to try to start the cars."

"The news came to me that the Chamber of Commerce said Wattles must have the cars in operation by Saturday, but after the meeting today, I do not know whether it is true or not."

McMullan said Wattles did agree to transact business for the men through an agent of the carmen's local, but that he will not sign the contract. "There is no use of having two strikes," he said "and while we are at it we will stay with it until we get what we want."

John M. Brophy, international organizer of the pressmen's union, from Milwaukee, said he hoped the street car men would have better luck in their strike than the pressmen have had in trying to get an agreement with the World-Herald. He complained of the treatment the union had received from that paper.

A resolution was passed requesting the union to wire Governor Stephens of California asking for a new and impartial trial of Alconey, also a resolution asking all members to keep their war savings stamps, and buy more if they could. "At least until the war is over" said President T. P. Reynolds.

President Reynolds, who is one of the mediators appointed by Mayor Smith, said he had hopes of a peaceful solution of the present strike.

Over Five Thousand British Vessels Sunk During War

London, Dec. 6.—(British Wireless Service).—During the war 2,475 British ships were sunk with their crews, and 3,147 vessels were sunk and their crews left adrift, according to a statement by Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty, in an address in support of a fund by the women of the empire to erect a memorial to British merchant seamen. Fishing vessels to the number of 670 have been lost during the period of hostilities, and the merchant marine service had suffered casualties exceeding 15,000 men, Sir Eric added.

Severe Forms of Punishment Abolished from U. S. Army

Washington, Dec. 6.—The practice of using military prisoners to the bars of cells and all other methods of severe corporal punishment has been ordered abolished by the War department. Secretary Baker in making the announcement today said the efficiency of such punishment as a deterrent to violation of military rules has been found to be questionable.

Department Orders

Washington, Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram).—Civil service examination will be held January 11 for fourth class postmasters, at Irvington, Elyria and Union, Neb. Dorothy J. Lohman, Davenport; V. V. Belknap, Carling; Alma V. Pool, Mason City; Marie C. Webber of Keosauqua, Ia., all have been appointed clerks in the war risk insurance office.

The treasury department has extended the charter of the Bedford National bank until November 30, 1918.

Fined on Liquor Charge.

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram).—Ross Wickersham, Nickerson garage owner, paid a fine of \$100 and costs in police court, on a charge of illegal possession of liquor.

News Notes of Geneva.

Geneva, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special)—The return to the Girls' Industrial school of two runaway girls was effected yesterday.

Geneva, Neb., Dec. 6.—August Schultz of Bennett township settled his difficulties with the Fillmore County Council of Defense by subscribing for \$700 worth of Quinine That Does Not Affect Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on the box. 30c.

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Nebraska Retail Clothiers to Meet Here in February

The Nebraska Retail Clothiers' association will hold its next meeting in Omaha, at the Hotel Fontenelle February 11-13. This decision was reached at a meeting of the execu-

tive committee in Omaha, called by S. M. Durfee of Pierce. In the absence of Secretary C. E. Westcott of Plattsmouth, who is with the Y. M. C. A. in France, Emerson E. Smith of Spier & Sigon Co., Lincoln, is acting as secretary. The program for the convention will be along practical lines, with especial

emphasis on present day problems. The business of the clothiers suffered greatly because of the absence of the boys at the front, and a great revival is expected when they return home.

See Want Ads are the Best Business Boosters.

Brazil Delegate.
Rio Janeiro, Dec. 6.—Dr. Ruey Barbaso has been asked to act as chairman of the Brazilian delegation to the peace conference at Versailles, according to newspapers here. He formerly was presiding officer of the Brazilian senate.

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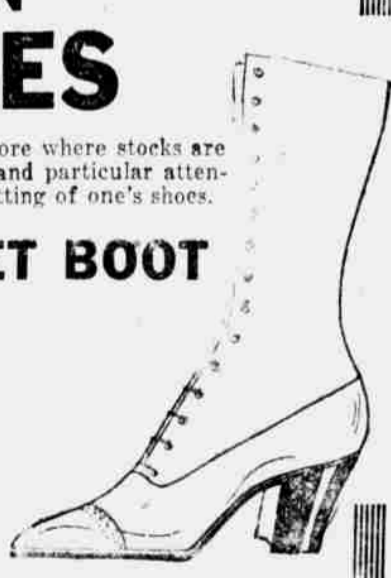
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