

"APPLYING THE BOOT" PUTS END TO AGITATION

Good Old Method Originated by American Policemen Used With Effect on Bolsheviks.

Vladivostok Jan. 5.—The American method of "applying the boot" by a muscular attack of the Stevens Railway commission recently put an end to bolshevik agitation among refugee charges of the American Red Cross in Vladivostok, as related by L. M. E. Hall, chief of the local relief organization.

Among the 500 men, women and children who are being cared for in a remodeled soldiers' barracks in the outskirts of Vladivostok, there were 15 who would not work.

The physician in control of the barracks, a Russian, complained to Lieutenant Hall that this coterie of young fellows was preaching bolshevism to the others and urging them to defy the authority of those upon whom they were dependent on the grounds that the business of the Red Cross was to look after them and that there was no need for them to work.

Designates Leaders. Things came to such a pass that Lieutenant Hall asked for assistance and Lieutenant Brunner volunteered to take on the business of disciplining the disturbers. After dinner one evening Lieutenants Hall and Brunner and an interpreter, George Fainstone, made an unexpected visit to the barracks.

Most of the "slackers" after hearing Brunner's harangue which dealt with the general proposition of "no work/no keep" and with details of certain physical discomforts to be expected by any obstreperous ones, elected to become industrious. Two young fire-eaters attempted to parley. Brunner seized one of them by the coat lapels and shook him until his teeth chattered, stopping at intervals long enough for the interpreter to translate as near as possible into Russian some forcible English.

Asks For "Time." Then, in the words of Lieutenant Hall, Brunner "put his foot behind him and out he went." The other "brave" asked for time to consult his wife and in five minutes returned to announce that he would do anything required of him. He was assigned to scrubbing the stairs.

Another disturber whose practice was to come in late and get out early so as to avoid meeting those in authority put in an appearance as Hall and Brunner were about to depart. His record was well known to them and no time was wasted in giving him a stout leather impetus outward.

The following morning when Lieutenant Brunner reached the barracks, so Lieutenant Hall says, he was embarrassed by the numerous applications for tasks by the erstwhile agitators.

Alaska Election Contest Being Debated in the House

Washington, Jan. 5.—An effort to send back to the elections committee a report favoring unseating Charles A. Sulzer, democrat, as Alaskan delegate in the house was blocked yesterday by Republican Leader Mann refusing to give unanimous consent. The committee report, held that James Wickersham, republican, was elected over Sulzer in 1916, but the latter is holding a seat in the house pending litigation. Consideration of the report continued in the house today, with Mr. Sulzer contending that he was legally elected.

Naval School of Turbine Engineering Established

Pittsburgh.—In preparation for the American after-the-war merchant marine, the United States Naval School of Turbine Engineering has been established at the Carnegie Institute of Technology here under direction of naval officers. Several detachments of naval men, who have seen service as engineers of steamers operating reciprocating steam engines, have begun the course.

Salvage Department Saves \$3,500,000 in Material

Tours, France.—The American expeditionary salvage department has saved during the last six months over \$3,500,000 worth of war materiel by recovering, repairing and collecting the previously rejected equipment of the soldiers, according to officers of the quartermaster's department here.

Typhus Spreading in Russia.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Typhus is spreading in Russia, according to advices today to the State department. Two hundred and sixty cases are reported from Ekaterinburg, 700 at Chibabinsk, and 200 deaths in Tomsk during December. Irkutsk reports 450 cases. Miss McBride, an American Red Cross nurse, died of the disease at Tumen last week.

Playing the Game. It is well for the Wise Virgin to keep her eyes on the feet that all her wishes are trimmed. It makes him cautious.

American Casualty List

The following Nebraska men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Monday morning, January 6: KILLED IN ACTION. Louis Johnson, Westerville, Neb. DIED OF WOUNDS. Corp. John W. Berlage, 2830 Capitol avenue, Omaha, Neb. WOUNDED SEVERELY. Sergt. Elmer V. Barger, Benkleman, Neb. Mech. Vera B. Hennings, Elomfield, Neb. Henry Gadeken, Talmage, Neb. John Burda, 1734 South Thirtieth street, Omaha, Neb.

The following Iowa, South Dakota and Wyoming men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Monday morning, January 6: KILLED IN ACTION. Lt. Oliver P. Byam, Stout Rapids, Ia. Corp. Glenn E. Rhodes, Sloan, Ia. Corp. Carl E. Westlund, Mission Hill, S. D. DIED OF DISEASE. Sergt. Fred O. Macaulay, Des Moines, Ia. Corp. Gifford C. Olson, Garner, Ia.

Cook August Nelson, Council Bluffs, Ia. Roy S. Gittins, Iowa City, Ia. Julius C. Grein, Bancroft, Ia. Luke Hildebrand, Cedar, Ia. Francis J. McShir, Anthon, Ia. John C. Musselman, Leon, Ia. WOUNDED SEVERELY. Maj. Guy S. Brewer, Des Moines, Ia. Sergt. Charles Washburn, West Union, Ia. Charles W. Johnson, Sheridan, Wyo. Otto M. D. Schmelzer, Aspinwall, Ia. Elmer Schultz, Mitchell, S. D. Walter J. Bliz, Aberdeen, S. D. Abrose Gabe, Wakarusa, So. D. Clyde E. Johnston, Lincolnton, Ia. Earl E. King, Moulton, Ia. Robert Armstrong, Holstein, Ia. WOUNDED: DEGREE UNDETERMINED. Theodore Wagner, Bellevue, Ia.

Crowell Favors Buying Army Cantonment Sites

Washington, Jan. 5.—Government acquisition of all 16 national army cantonment sites, leaving determination of their ultimate use to the future, was urged today by Assistant Secretary of War Crowell before the house military committee. He also advocated purchase of land for establishing three big camps at Columbus, Ga., West Point, Ky., and Fayetteville, N. C., for future training of the army, regardless of its peace time strength. The total cost would exceed \$66,000,000.

BAVARIAN ARMY OFFICERS FACING TREASON CHARGE

Five Colonels and 17 Captains Among Large Number Arrested by Order of Premier Eisner.

London, Jan. 5.—Kurt Eisner, the Bavarian premier, has ordered the arrest of a large number of officers in Munich to answer charges of high treason against the Bavarian republic, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam. The officers include five colonels and 17 captains. They will be tried by a special court. An Associated Press dispatch from Munich under date of December 30 reported that 17 prominent men, including one non-Bavarian

duke, were arrested last Sunday evening by the police while engaged in a conference at a leading hotel in Munich. After being detained a few hours all but two of the men were released. The two were a publisher and a banker, accused of organizing a force against the government. A Berlin dispatch Friday reported that there had been some shooting in the streets of Munich on New Year's eve, nine persons being wounded.

Senator Hitchcock to Explain Russian Situation to Senate

Washington, Jan. 5.—Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, chairman of the foreign relations committee, after a conference at the State department, has announced his intention to make a statement in the senate Monday on the Russian situation, giving the facts sought by Senator Johnson of California, who has a resolution pending calling on the State department for information as to the government's relations with Russia. The State department, it is understood, does not oppose the resolution, but holds that there is nothing relative to the government's attitude that cannot be publicly stated.

Airplane Flies from Gulf to Detroit in 724 Minutes' Flying Time

Detroit, Jan. 5.—An observation De Havilland airplane reached Detroit this afternoon from Ellington field, Houston, Tex., making the 1,650-mile trip in 724 minutes official flying time and the last lap from Indianapolis at the rate of 122 miles an hour, under adverse weather conditions. The machine was one of three which left Ellington field, Houston, Tex., on a "Gulf to Detroit and return" map-making observation trip December 21, and was piloted by Capt. L. Robinson, with Lieut. A. A. Adams, observer. Captain Robinson made the flight under the direction of the technical department of the engineering corp for observation and to test the operation of the Liberty engine under severe weather conditions.

Released by Bandits.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The State department announced today that it had been officially advised that Edward Thomson, an American citizen

People Starving in Petrograd, Bolshevik Prisoners Report

Helsingfors, Jan. 5.—Seventeen bolsheviks, arrested while crossing the frontier, report that deplorable conditions prevail in Petrograd. They say that the city in the immediate future will become a vast burying ground for the starving crowds which daily are falling in the streets. Oats are virtually the only food left for the masses. A herring now costs 20 rubles and a bundle of firewood 300 rubles.

Strikers Refused Places When Ready to Return

Pittsfield, Mass., Jan. 5.—The several thousand strikers at the General Electric plant who walked out December 16 in sympathy with the workers of the plant at Erie, Pa., who had been discharged, returned to work this morning under instructions from the war labor board. The officers of the company, however, informed the strikers they were not yet ready to give them employment. The strikers met and declared the action of the company a lockout, and wired the war labor board to that effect.

Japanese Banks May Start Branch Houses in Siberia

Tokyo.—Two important Japanese banks contemplate establishing branches or agencies in several important cities or towns in eastern Siberia to enlarge their business in the region. One of them already is doing banking business in Manchuria. Chita, Khabarovsk, Spasskaya and other principal Siberian towns, with Harbin as the center of its activities.

Mamma's Boy

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1. "REMEMBER BUDDY NO FOOLING! YOU ARE TO PRACTICE A GOOD HALF HOUR!" "YES, MAMMA!" "I'LL WATCH HIM, MAMMA!"

2. "LO BUD! YUH GOTTA COME AN' PLAY BASE BALL. WE AINT GOT NO CATCHER!" "I'D LIKE TO! I DONT THINK I CAN GET OUT!" "MAMMA BUDDY AINT PRACTICIN'!"

3. "YUH JUST GOTTA COME! WE'LL SURE LOSE IF YUH DONT!" "SAY! WHY DONT YUH SOAK THAT KID ONE ON HIS COCO?" "HE'S GOTTA PRACTICE!"

4. "I'LL TELL YUH WHAT LE'S DO!" "MAMMA! BUDDY AINT PRACTICIN' AGAIN!"

5. "HEY, FREDDIE DYE WANTA BE A UMPIRE?" "HE'D MAKE A GOOD UMPIRE!" "D'YE KNOW HOW TO UMPIRE, FRED?" "SURE, I DO!"

6. "AW, LEMME SWAT HIM ONE!" "NIX! NOT NOW, YULL SPOIL EVERYTHING!" "SURE I'LL CATCH YOU!" "IS IT ALL RIGHT TO DROP?"

7. "BE A GOOD FELLER FREDDIE AN' GO IN THERE AN' GET THE BASE-BALL MASK!" "I AINT AFRAID OF CHICKENS! I'LL GET IT!"

8. "BUDDY!" "CHEESE IT YER MAW!"

9. "MAMMA-A-A!" "HEAVENS! WHO LOCKED MAMMAS LITTLE BOY IN THE CHICKEN HOUSE?"

10. "AN HE'S GONNA GET A GOOD LICKIN' AINT HE?" "JUST WAIT TILL I GET HOLD OF BUDDY!"

11. "THERE HE IS! HE PUT 'EM UP TO IT!"

12. "HE'S PRACTICIN' MAMMA!"