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The "Moving" Picture

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Unsettled, but generally tair Sunday and Monday; probably

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THE WEATHER:

GERMAN CABINET FORMED

INTERNED WARSHIPS

One Battleship Afloat While Three Light Cruisers and Eighteen Destroyers Are

Beached; Others Sunk. London, June 21 .- (By The Associated Press) .- The German officers and sailors forming the compliments of the German ships interned at Scapa Flow sank most of their fleet Saturday. All the big ships, the battleships and battle cruisers, excepting the Baden, and numerous smaller craft, were sunk. while others went ashore in a half

sunken condition. Eighteen destroyers were beached by tugs; four still are afloat, while the remainder went under.

Seacocks Opened.

The wholesale sinking of the German ships, which were surrendered under the terms of the armistice. was carefully arranged by officers and crews. All explosives had been removed and therefore the only means of destroying the fleet was by opening the seacocks. The ships went down slowly, with the German flag, which the crews had hoisted. showing at the mast heads.

The crews, composed entirely of Germans, under the terms of the armistice, which did not permit of British guards aboard, took to the boats when the vessles began to settle. While making for the shore the boats were challenged and called upon to surrender. Some of them fired upon, a tew casualties re-

This stroke apparently was an entire surprise and the first news reached London through a correspondent who was informed by farmers in the neighborhood that they had seen the German ships sinking with their flags aloft.

Crews Are Made Prisoners.

The admiralty at first denied the report but later confirmed it and issued an official statement. The Germar officers and crews have been made prisoners. None of the officials would offer an opinion as to how they are to be dealt with. The statement, issued by the ad-

miralty, says: "According to the latest reports from Scapa Flow all the interned battleships and battle cruisers have been sunk, except the battleship Baden, which is still affoat. Five light cruisers have been sunk, but three have been beached. Eighteen destroyers were beached by local Four destroyers are still affoat. The rest of the destroyers

A German rear admiral and most of the Germans from the ships are now in custody aboard British ships Some boats from the ships refused to stop when ordered and were fired on. A small number of Germans were killed or wounded.

'In accordance with the terms of the armistice, the German ships were interned with skeleton crews as caretakers and without British guards aboard."

Red Flag the Signal

Thurso, Scotland, June 21-The hoisting of a red flag at noon was the signal for the crews to scuttle the German warships in Scapa Flow The crews took to the boats and rowed toward the shore. The guard ships fired at the Germans, who jumped overboard and swam ashore where they were rounded up.

Poindexter Named in

Boom for President

San Francisco, June 21.-United States Senator Miles Poindexter of Washington was named here in a countrywide boom by telegraph for president of the United States in 1920. The boom was launched by S. A. Perkins of Tacoma, member of the republican national committee and a newspaper publisher of tectives from Central police station. the Pacific northwest.

Perkins also announced the coast the story of how he eluded the police republicans would join with the re- net. publicans of California in an endeavor to have the republican national convention next year held in side he laughed when one of his San Francisco.

Violation of Food Act Costs Dealer License

New York, June 21.-The United States food administration an-nounced that the licenses of C. H. Wayne of Reynold, Ill., had been revoked until furter notice for wolating the section of the food control act which makes it unlawful to hoard grain and certain other com-modities. Mr. Wayne is alleged to modities. Mr. Wayne is alleged to have stored grain for speculative Press.) Premier Lloyd George is purposes at a time when a corn shortage existed.

Bleak House for Sale.

near King's Gate, for 14 years the ence was taken by Arthur J. Bal-home of Charles Dickens, is for sale. four, British foreign secretary.

GERMANS Own Administration is Failure, Mayor Smith Frankly Admits, in Confidential Letter, Which Was Never Intended to Reach Public Report That Bomb Had Been Placed Under City Hall 'Could Not Have Created

Report That Bomb Had Been Placed Under City Hall 'Could Not Have Created Greater Consternation Than News Copy of Letter Had Reached Press-Friends of Commissioner Ringer at First Accuse Mayor of Deliberately Admitting Failure With Intention of Injuring Police Commissioner, But This Charge Is Denied After Hurried Conference Between These Two Officials-One Big Trouble, They Agree, Is That Letter Was Made Public, But Refuse to Discuss It.

The Mayor's Letter

wrote each of the city commissioners confessing the present administration has not come "anywhere near" to what its friends had a right to expect, follows:

Dear Mr. Commissioner: Did you read Mr. McGilton's communication in the Sunday paper? If not, I hope you will get

it and read it. That article expresses my views as to what is contemplated by our commission form of government. I don't know how you feel about it, but I believe I speak the judgment of our friends who elected us and I know I express my own personal views when I say the present city council has not anywhere near measured up to what our friends expected of us and had a right to expect of us when we went into office.

Feels It Keenly. I feel this very keenly. I don't feel there has been a department

or a councilman (and that includes the department of public affairs and mayor) who made good as our friends had a right to expect. I don't know as I can assign the exact reason for this, but even at the risk of being charged with tiresome reiteration, let me say I feel there has been too much individuality in the council and not enough "team work." Each commissioner looks after his own department, takes no active interest in the plans or purposes of any other commissioner, and rather resents any interference in his work by the council or by any other commissioner. No one knows just what the policy, the purpose or the plans for the future are of any other department, until they are made known by the introducing of an ordinance, or a motion to set aside certain money. The council, as such, has nothing to do with outlining the policy of any department in the city government. The council, as such, is not fully advised of what is being done in any particular department. There is an entire absence of "team work" among us and no policy is formulated by the council for any department.

I am just as much to blame for this as anyone. I am ready and willing to assume my full share of responsibility. But can't we all see it is an entirely wrong policy, and that we owe it to the city of Omaha to change this way of doing business? The policy, the purpose, the plans for the future, in each and every department. I feel should be the council's plans, and after agreed upon, the superintendent of that particular department should be charged with the responsibility of carry out these plans and in the work of carrying them out he should have the solid support of each and every member of the council. At the present time the council does not formulate the plans and the heads of each department does not have full support of the other members of the

council Another thing that must be plain to all of us-we quarrel too much in the council chamber. We do and say too much because of

Crowd with Story of

How He Eluded Police

With his Buick automobile parked

at the corner of Fifteenth and Dav-

day afternoon. Roy Kelly, who is

Languidly sitting in his machine

He was seen visiting with friends

in the vicinity of Twenty-fourth and

Cuming streets about 1 o'clock Sat-

confined to his room with a severe

sor: throat. His indisposition pre-

vented his attendance yesterday at

with his feet dangling on the out-

thing if I want too," he said.

enport streets at 4 o'clock yester-

Roy Kelly Entertains

The letter which Mayor Smith | the presence of spectators or newspaper reporters. Admits Poor Service.

Can't all seven of us remedy this and give a little more effective service to Omaha? But you may inquire: "Well, what do you suggest?" I want

the judgement and help of each and every commissioner, in an effort to better these conditions. but I beg to suggest: First-Remove the desks we

are now using and GET TOGETHER around the common table once again. I feel we ought-to consider ourselves the board of directors of the city of Omaha and to act as such. We are not primarily a legislative assembly nor a debating socitey. We are the directors of a big business institution that collects and spends \$2,000,000 each year. I am strong for getting together around a conference table.

Second-Each of us should put ourselves under bonds to keep the peace. We can be in earnest in our contentions without impugning the motives of each other, or without becoming insulting in our language. We do not elevate ourselves in public esteem or in any way improve public service by abuse of each other.

Should Get Together.

Third-Each of us should outline his plans and purposes and the benefit of the judgment of the other members before trying to put them into an ordinance. plan when adopted should be the council's plan and not that of any individual member. This meand there should be more cooperation, more "team work," more / conferences among memmore confidence among members and less bickering, less fault-finding, less individual policies that get all of us into trou-To that end there should be more informal meetings of the councilmen where proposed plans and purposes are frankly discussed. I don't mean there should be more meetings of the committees of the whole; not more council meetings when the council as such is in session, but more meetings informally where every one's plan and his work will be fully discussed, just as a board of directors of any big business concern

Now I know that some members of the council object to this and call them "star chamber" sessions, but I thoroughly believe the public service would be immensely improved by these frequent conferences.

New, I am not trying to lay the responsibility for present conditions on the shoulders of others and exonerate myself. I am just as much to blame as any one and am willing to assume my full share of responsibility, and am more than anxious to do my part toward remedying these conditions and giving Omaha better

If we cannot all to this, then I feel we are too small for the

I am sending a copy of this letter to each member of the council and I wish you would give me your written opinion of these sug-ED P. SMITH, (Signed)

In a confidential letter to members of the city commission, a copy of which was never intended to reach the public, Mayor Ed. P. Smith admits the present city administration is a failure.

When it was learned yesterday afternoon at the city hall that one of the papers had, in some manner, got hold of the letter and had or would prifit it, there was trouble popping in every office, particularly in the office of the mayor and that of Police Commissioner Ringer.

A report that a bomb had been planted under the city hall could not have created more consterna-

Friends of Commissioner Ringer, who has been under fire the last two weeks or more on account of the disgraceful arrest and persecution of Mrs. Thomas Brown, who was acquitted on a charge of run-ning a disorderly house, openly accused Mayor Smith, who has stood staunchly by the police commissioner, of having written the letter with the avowed intention of aiding in the removal of Mr. Ringer from the office of police commissioner.

After a hurried and heated conference between the mayor and police commissioner and their friends, however, it was later declared that Mayor Smith had no such intentions and that the letter was not aimed at any one in par

Publicity, the Big Trouble.

The one big trouble, all agreed, was that it had not been intended for publication-that it only had been an inspiration of the mayor's. in a moment of cool reflection to admit the truth to his associates. never dreaming the public would ever see it, in an effort to improve the present disorganized city gov-

Refuse to Meet Committee of

Teamsters or Central Labor

Union: General Strike

Threatened.

were C. W. Hull, J. A. Sutherland.

ficulties were not adjusted before

Answer in Note.

by the conferees during the after-

noon session and the employers gave their answer in the following note

which was transmitted by the mayor

to the general committee at Central

As requested by you, the city

council called in a number of em-

ployers and made known to them

your desire for a conference.

They unanimously stated to us

that so far as they know their employers are satisfied, have no complaint, and the employers de-

sire no conference with parties

other than their respective em-

Mayor Smith stated that the city

officials will continue their efforts

May Call Walkout.

Smarting under the rebuke ad-

who refused to confer with them in

order to reach an agreement on the

strike, the executive committee of

Labor temple to perfect plans for

Though unwilling to state how

many men will be affected by the

Signed ED P. SMITH,

ployees

whole situation was discussed

next Wednesday night.

Miller and Charles Harding.

Central Labor union.

In beginning his letter, which brands his own administration as a rank failure, Mayor Smith says he was moved to write it after having read the letter of attorney E. G. McGilton, published in The Bee last Sunday, in which he declared that te commission had not lived up to the expectations of their supporters and advised teh members "against trying to run a city te size of Omaha on a Sunday school plan."

Afraid of Mails.

The letter was written last Monday. Not trusting the mails with the important document, the mayor dispatched his secretary, O. Olson, with copies of the letter to the commissioners, with instructions to emphasize the confidential nature of the text.

But someone at city hall, however, could not keep a good thing to himself. He believed that the world should know what is going on in the city hall. So the letter is out and the mayor is rolling his fist in his pocket and pacing his office like Ajax defying the lightning. It was the last thought of the

mayor, that this letter should come public property. His faith in human nature has suffered a bitter depreciation. That one of his own colleagues should reveal confidential correspondence, well it is a new experience in the young life of Omaha's mayor.

Own Department Bad.

The mayor, in his letter, takes in Labor temple: every municipal department in his sweeping castigation. He even confesses that his own department has not been "hitting the ball," Not enough team work in the city coun-Mayor. (Continued on Page Two, Column Seven.)

File Suit to Restrain New Mexican Policy Prosecuting Infraction of Wartime Prohibition

San Francisco, June 21.-A suit to restrain the United States attorney being eagerly (?) sought by four dehere by representatives of the local iquor interests, it was announced by entertrined a crowd of friends with the California Wet federation. The by the suit brought by a vineyardist to restrain the government from enforcing the same law in regard to vines, it was announced. friends suggested that he was in danger of being "picked up." "I can tell all of the cops some-

Decision to cable President Wilson for a proclamation to rescind the wartime prohibition measure was reached at a meeting of the Califorma viticultural commission.

The action for the restraining or der invokes the ratification of the by he wet federation and its allied nte erts.

The invoking of martial law is the only way in which wartime prohibi-Bleak House for Sale. the meeting of the supreme allied tion can be made effective, the peti-A decision will be asked for before July L it was announced.

of U.S. Government Frightens Villistas El Paso, June 21.-Interest in El Paso, June 21.—Interest in to avert any further labor difficul-Mexican developments which was ties and to adjust those now dis-

here from prosecuting infractions of beginning to wane after a week of turbing the city. the wartime prohibition act was filed excitement across the Rio Grande, was revived by the publication of an Associated Press dispatch from ministered them by the employers action covers all points not covered Washington outlining the new Mex-

A prominent Mexican politician here of the Carranza party admitted the Central Labor union met at the that the change in attitude of the American state department toward a general wolkout. Mexico had been expected for some

The federal army, he said, was strike order, leaders stated that it rushing troops to the north, Gen- will be the greatest display of th eral Dieguez, commander of the force of union labor ever witnessed northeastern military zone, was ar- in this section of the country. the north, he said.

frightened today by the Washington cussed. statement and insisted that Villa Those would do nothing to give the Ameri- assent of the national body before can government an excuse for sendaway from the American border. | (Continued on Fage Two, Column Five.) | have been received,

Police and Red Coats

ARBITERS City Placed Under Martial Law Following Riots in Which One Man Is Killed and Several Are Injured; Soldiers and Machine Guns Line City's Streets.

martial law. After fighting between and provincial police, in which one was turned into a rioting mob. Employers of striking teamsters man was killed, another injured. Smith and Commissioners Zimman, Ure and Ringer in conference yesterday afternoon, that they declined to protection of federal military forces. enter into a conference with representatives of the strikers' union, or that he has taken full charge of the with a general committee of the ceased and the victims of the fight-Employers attending the meeting. ing were in hospitals. Scores of which was held in the mayor's office.

alleged rioters are in custody. Three incidents in quick succes sion in mid-afternoon precipitated the most turbulent scenes in the history of Winnipeg. Several thousand strikers and strike sympathizers, including some returned sol-

W. A. Gordon, George Platner, George F. West, John Bekins, W. J. The afternoon conference following a meeting yesterday morning in the mayor's office, between city officials and a committee of the cen-tral labor organization. The city officials were requested by the general committee of organized labor to arrange a conference and they threatened that a general sympatheti strike might ensue if the present dif-

Colonel "Bill" Hayward, Burlington Train to Neb., War Hero, Weds Lincoln Is Wrecked; Widow of Millionaire

roe Leland Hayward, of Nebraska, at the time of the latter's death. After having held public office in both Nebraska and New York, the

bravery in action. . His bride, who is the daughter of he late Senator Martin Cadwell, of treaty, he said: Hartford, Conn., was also engaged n war work, having been active resolution. The American people n the conduct of the hospital will not stand for this 'sign here Inder Three Flags, near Paris, attitude. That is the way they directed by Dr. Joseph L. Blake, make mortgages. American surgeon, and since the armistice taken over by Dr. Alexis ing that the client is entitled to con- is the declaration made by Fred Carrel.

his bride is 39.

Sub Chaser Sent to Quell Native Uprising in Yakutat, Alaska

Juneau, Alaska, June 21-Subage to quell a reported native up-Those locals who must have the rising there. The governor also ordered the

are striking and from where re- the admiration of the Brazilian peo-

Fight Winnipeg Strikers

Winnipeg, June 21.-Winnipeg, get through the crowd on Main strike-torn since May 15, is under street. Some of the paraders became openly hostile and when mounted police came down the street to clear thousands of strikers and the city the thoroughfare, the parade quickly and truck drivers advised Mayor probably fatally, and more than a Riders, reinforced by returned sol-

core hurt, Mayor Charles F. Gray diers, constables and policemen, formally turned over the city to the fought the rioters. The mounted police fired at the men who attacked Gen. H. D. B. Ketchen announced them and sought to pull them from their horses. Mike Sokowoki, a regsituation. At 7 o'clock rioting had listered alien, fell dead with a bullet in his heart.

Bring Weapons Into Play.

When in the crowd attacking the police also brought weapons into Robert C. Johnsone, a returned soldier, was shot in the knee. Jack Barrett, an onlooker, was shot in the thigh. Fifteen other casualdiers, were participating in a "silent" ties were reported. Scores of police parade. A street car attempted to (Coatinued on Page Two, Column Three.)

Four Coaches Ditched

New York, June 21.—Col. Lincoln, Neb., June 21.—The of Ersberger. William Hayward, who commanded through Seattle-St. Louis passen. Gustav No the old New York 15th infantry ger train on the Burlington railroad figure in German politics under the (negro) during the war, and Mrs. due at Lincoln at 12:15 Sunday Motron F. Plant, widow of the mil- morning, was wrecked late Satur- Germany with Friedrich Ebert as ionaire yachtman, were married day night a short distance east of nere Saturday afternoon. The cere- Aurora, 70 miles west of Lincoln. center early in the year because of mony was performed by Chaplain A dispatch from Aurora says four ohn V. Axton, who was associated coaches left the track, but so far defense in putting down the Spartawith Col. Hayward, with the as known no one was injured. The can uprisings. American army in France.

Col. Hayward was private to his damage is not known. father, United States Senator Moncause of the accident and the

"Of Course I am for Knox Resolution," Says Hays

New York, June 21 .- (Special colonel resigned as public service Telegram.)-Will H. Hays, chaircommissioner here to organize the man of the republican national comold 157th regiment. He was mittee, was in the city Friday night decorated by both President Poinform Washington. Questioned care and Marshal Petain for about the Knox resolution for a separate consideration of the league of nations covenant and the peace

> "Of course I am for the Kno: "Our senators are simply insist-

sider the contents of his own con-Col. Hayward is 42 years old and tract and just what it will entail. The citizenship of America is the client. That is all that is involved evidence from federal agents workin the Knox resolution."

Brazil's President-Elect Felicitates United States

Washington, June 21.-Brazil will rejoice in continuing to develop more and more the relations that narine chaser number 310 was bind her to the United States. Presiordered by Governor Thomas Rigg, dent-Elect Epitacio Pessoa of the r. to the visinity of Yakutat vil- Brazilian republic declared, at a dinner given in his honor by Vice Presiden Marshall.

their continued friendsip.

BAUER AND MUELLER HEADS OF MINISTRY

Dr. Eduard David Loses Premiership to Former Minister of Labor, Becoming Finance Head and Vice Premier.

Berlin, June 21 .- (By the Associated Press.)-A new German cabinet has been formed under the premiership of Herr Bauer, formerly minister of labor, with Dr. Hermann Mueller, the majority socialist leader, as minister of foreign

The other members of the cab-

Minister of the interior-Dr. Eduard David. Minister of finance and vice premier-Mathias Erzberger.

Minister of economics-Herr Wissell. Minister of labor - Herr

Minister of the treasury-Herr Minister of posts and telegraphs-Herr Giesberts. Chief of the colonial office-Dr.

Minister of national defense-Gustav Noske. Minister of food-Dr. Schmidt.

No appointment has been made to the ministry of justice. Herr Meyer, the new head of the treasury depar-ment, is a native of Kaufbeuren,

- New Premier a Socialist.

Herr Bauer, the new premier, is a scoialist and held the post of minister of labor. In the course of his official duties he has had much to do with the striking workmen and recently brought about a settlement of the general strike in Berlin.

Dr. Muller has become one of the leaders of the majority socialists since the revolution. He was party whip in the national assembly. In a recent speech Dr. Mueller declared that the former German emperor was not wanted in Germany and that

he belongs in a pathological ward." The name of Eduard David has been linked with that of Philipp Scheidemann as one of the leaders of the German socialist party in the Reichstag since before the war. From 1915 to the time of the revolution last November Dr. David in he speeches in the reichstag opposed

war of conquest by Germany. David Original Member

Dr. David was a member of the riginal German delegation to the peace conference but retired in favor of Herr Laudsberg on account of ill health. Mathias Erzberger was head of

the German armistice commission and is a leader of the centrist, or cierical party. The famous reichstag peace res-

olution, adopted in July, 1917, 12: claring for "peace without annexation or indemnity," was the work Gustav Noske became a leading

republican government set up in president. Herr Noske was a storm his drastic measures as minister of He policed the country effectively, but incurred the criticism of those

who objected to his firm tactics in dealing with all opposition. Many summary executions followed an or-der issued by him that all persons fourd fighting the government (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.) I.W.W. "Jungling Up"

for Attacks in Kansas During Wheat Harvest

Kansas City, Mo., June 21.-That the I. W. W. intends to center its activities in Kansas during the wheat harvest season this summer Robertson, United States district attorney of Kansas City, Kan., after receiving bulletins and other ing on the case.

One bulletin issued, Mr. Robertson said, from headquarters in Chicago, urged 1,000 delegates of the I. W. W. to gather in Kansas not later than July 1.

Another Across-Ocean

Flight to Start Today St. Johns, N. F., June 21.-The Handley-Page bombing plane, pi-

loted by Vice Admiral Mark Kerr. The distinguished visitor took the probably will start from Harbor gunboat Vicksburg to Kodiak and first occasion after his arrival here Grace Sunday morning on an at-Port Althrop where cannery men as the guest of the nation to express tempted flight to the Irish coast, it was announced here tonight. The ports of alleged bolshevik activities ple for this country and to pledge hour for the start has been set for

urday morning. 'He left shortly aftranging for a campaign against Villa "They wanted war, well, they and had airplanes, motor trucks nd shall have it," J. J. Kerrigan, presinational prohibition amendment as er for his room in a nearby hotel. a bar against wartime prohibition on American cavalry horses for his cav- dent of the central body declared. the ground that the action of con-Lloyd George Confined alry. Exploration trains were being The committee was in session for gress in submitting and the states in operated out of Chihuahua City to more than two hours. The ability ratifying the amendment renders to His Room With Cold of the various locals to carry void the previously passed wartime measure. The action is supported Villa partisans here were frankly through a general strike was dis

complying with the general strike ing troops to Mexico a second time.

They said reprisals would not be exacted and Villa would keep his men

Many of the locals will meet to-