

### Two American Seamen Held Up By Jap Sentries

#### New Incident at Vladivostok Adds to the Complications Caused by Killing of Lieutenant Langdon.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, Jan. 18.—Two American uniformed men have been held up in Vladivostok by Japanese sentries since the killing by a Japanese soldier of Lieut. Warren J. Langdon before the Japanese headquarters in that city on January 8, it was learned today. The report states that two seamen, presumably from the U. S. cruiser Albany, were ordered ashore to search for the revolver worn by Lieutenant Langdon and that they were challenged and held by Japanese soldiers until they were identified. It is not known whether the revolver was recovered by the Americans.

There is reason to believe that the State department, in its note to the Tokyo government, expected strongly to the Japanese practice of holding up American uniformed men in Vladivostok. The Japanese foreign office has not yet replied to the American note, which has been called a protest, but it is thought there will be a prompt answer, although the Tokyo authorities may be obliged to refer the American note to the war office and the general staff for their views on certain of its phases.

It is also considered possible that the State department will forward a second note before receiving a reply to the protest already dispatched in view of the interference by Japanese soldiers with American seamen since the fatal shooting of Lieutenant Langdon. The State department gave out further advice received concerning details of the shooting.

### Mayor Scored for Stand in Election

#### Alliance Executive Says He Will Take No Action on Legality of Proceeding.

Alliance, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A storm of criticism has arisen against Mayor A. D. Rodgers, following his announcement that he will take no action to determine whether or not the recent city manager election was legal. Although the mayor and most of the councilmen were bitterly opposed to the city manager plan, the issue carried by a good majority.

It was then brought to light that notice of the election had been published only 21 days, instead of 30 days, called for by city ordinance. The mistake was due to an error of Mrs. Grace Kennedy, city clerk, who is an appointee of Mayor Rodgers and who claims she forgot to have the notice published the full 30 days.

Although City Attorney Metz and a number of other attorneys have announced their opinions that the election was legal under state law, the mayor has declared it up to the supporters of the city manager plan to call a primary election for the nomination of members for the new city manager board as provided for by state statute. Supporters of the plan have announced that mandamus proceedings will be started to force the mayor to call the primary election in March.

### "Wicked Right" Downs Sister-in-Law After Court Proceedings

Alliance, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—A fist fight between two sisters-in-law, in which one of the participants fell "hors de combat" on the sidewalk in front of the court house, served as a dramatic climax to a hearing in county court, in which one of the younger women was the complainant against her own mother in guardianship proceedings.

The two complainants were Mrs. Tom Briggs and Mrs. Dave Briggs, the latter a daughter of Mrs. Julia Higgins, 74, for whom her daughter had sought to have a guardian appointed. Following the court's refusal to appoint a guardian, Mrs. Dave Briggs made a remark which displeased her sister-in-law, whereupon the latter let fly a wicked right which caught the victim on the point of the chin, sending her down in a heap on the sidewalk. The husbands of the two women then sprang at each other, but a bystander stepped between them and kept them apart.

### Gage County Farm Bureau Begins Membership Drive

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Gage county farm bureau has launched a membership drive for 1,500 members. Township captains and aides were appointed at a meeting which was addressed by Louis P. Skinger, university farm extension expert, and J. A. Crawford, of the Kansas membership drive. An effort will be made to enlist every farmer who does not belong to the bureau.

### Retail Lumbermen Oppose Duty on Canadian Goods

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, Jan. 18.—Retail lumber dealers urged the house ways and means committee today to allow lumber to continue to come in from Canada free of duty. They declared a duty on lumber, such as is sought by some American manufacturers, will further increase building costs and retard housing activities.

### Poultry Show Opens

Holdrege, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The 1921 Nebraska State Poultry show has opened here. The number of entries in this exhibition is large and indications point to the most successful show ever held by the association.

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Take Grog's LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. The genuine bears the signature of E. W. Grove, Inc., Adm.

### Latest Fad From Paris



The fashionable maid in the new jeweled garters, the latest from that fashion center of the world. Owing to the fact that many of the new evening gowns are worn without corsets, a jeweler of Paris designed the new jeweled garter to fill the need of a highly decorated supporter for milady's stockings. The young lady shown in the photo is displaying one of the new jeweled garters. It consists of an elastic string of pearls with a diamond set buckle and finished with a fall of small pearls.

### Report of Banks Shows Orgy of Spending Over \$200,000,000

Washington, Jan. 18.—Inflation of credit and loans has been far less since the end of the war than is popularly supposed. Comptroller of Currency Williams declared last night in a statement analyzing the statements of the conditions of the national banks on November 15, as compared with March 4, 1919, four months after the armistice.

### Omaha Man Admits Part in Killing of Two Rail Sleuths

Toledo, O., Jan. 18.—The details of the killing here Monday of two railroad detectives during a \$9,000 holdup were disclosed today by the confession of Edward Foley, 20, a young Omaha, Neb., as his home. He told the police he was in the party that killed A. L. Long and Louis Schroeder.

### Nebraska Man Among Injured in Ohio Wreck

Greenville, O., Jan. 18.—Twenty-two persons were injured, two or three seriously, when a fast New York-St. Louis passenger train on the Pennsylvania railroad jumped a switch three quarters of a mile east of here and crashed into a freight train on a side track.

### Hot Battle Waging Over City Manager Election

Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Thirty-four hundred voters are registered here for the city manager election which will take place next Saturday. The registration books are closed and the city is now in the throes of a heavy campaign. The opposition held a big meeting Sunday and a woman's meeting was held today. Speakers for both sides are to present their cases. An organized effort is being made on both sides to get the voters to the polls.

### Convention of Firemen Opens Sessions at York

York, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The State Volunteer Firemen's convention convened in this city today. Delegates to the number of 750 had registered at 7 this evening, representing 56 towns. Ord and Gothenburg delegations each brought a band. Three hundred more delegates and two bands will reach here at 8.

### Obregon Issues Call for Special Meet of Congress

Mexico, Jan. 18.—A call for a special session of the Mexican congress beginning February 7, was issued last night by President Obregon. Among the projects to be considered are the new banking law, article 27 of the constitution, which governs petroleum deposits, a new labor law, army re-construction and international commerce.

### During Bowen's Lower Price Furniture Sale

All Furniture Upholstery, Draperies and Rugs included in this Sale of Unparalleled Values. This is an event of great importance to those needing or contemplating furniture purchases, owing to the unusual reductions offered and the superior quality both in design and manufacture of the furniture stocked by this company.

### U.S. Delegates to Quit Pan-American Federation Meet

#### Gompers, Preceding Re-Election, Takes Floor and Answers His Critics.

Mexico City, Jan. 18.—(By The Associated Press.)—American delegates to the congress of the Pan-American Federation of Labor will leave Mexico City tonight, regardless of whether the congress completes its work at today's session. Samuel Gompers, leader of the American representatives, made an announcement to this effect at the close of yesterday's session and it is probable the congress will attempt to clear away the 18 resolutions still awaiting disposition.

So vehement became his opponents that the veteran labor leader called Treasurer James Lord to take the chair and answered his critics from the floor. He concluded his address by declining the nomination for the presidency of the federation. This action on the part of Mr. Gompers had been preceded by similar withdrawals by John P. Frey, secretary, and Mr. Lord, treasurer, both of whom had been placed in nomination by Latin-American representatives.

The moment after Mr. Gompers left the floor Luis Morones, a Mexican, whose candidacy had been pressed by the Guatemalan delegation, withdrew from the contest. Mr. Gompers then was again placed in nomination by Daniel J. Tobin, and on motion by Mr. Lord, he was elected unanimously, one delegate from Salvador, Guatemala and Mexico, each casting a dissenting vote against the motion. Canuto Vargas was elected secretary of the Spanish section, and Chester N. Wright, secretary of the English division, and Mr. Lord was re-elected treasurer. Guatemala City was chosen the next meeting place.

### Early Settler Dies; Once Barely Escaped Massacre by Indians

Nebraska City, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Mr. Frank Thomas, mother of Frank Thomas, mayor of this city, died here of heart disease. She had been a resident of the state for the past 38 years, the first six of which were spent on a ranch in the central part of the state.

### Temporary Dormitory Installed in Prison Shop

Lincoln, Jan. 18.—A temporary dormitory is being installed in one of the shops of the Nebraska state penitentiary to provide sleeping quarters for the overflow population of the institution. Warden W. T. Pinton announced tonight. The temporary dormitory will contain 65 beds.



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### Ill Wind That Blows Somebody Good Saves Building From Fire

Hatfield, N. C., Jan. 18.—The ill wind that blows somebody good sometimes even blows an elevator shaft.

### Collision of Trucks Ends Flight of Boy From Kearney School

Collision of trucks robbed Charlie Charvat, 15, 5247 South Twenty-second street, of his chance to escape from the Kearney Industrial school Sunday night.

### Live Stock Brings High Prices Near Lodge Pole

Lodge Pole, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Despite adverse financial conditions, there are an unusually large number of sales in this locality and stock, especially horses, is selling at good prices with over 50 per cent of the settlements in cash. Unsatisfactory wheat prices have tended to discourage the extensive use of tractors for the coming season and to create a demand for horses.

### Woman's Defense To Murder Charge, General Denial

#### Attorney for Mrs. Peete Accused of Slaying Jacob Denton, Will Deny Story of Spanish Slayer of Man.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 18.—An outline of the defense of Mrs. Louise L. Peete of Denver, whose trial on the charge of having murdered Jacob Charles Denton, wealthy mining promoter, will begin here Wednesday, was made public yesterday by William T. Aggeler, acting public defender.

### Information Recently Obtained Is Most Important of Years

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 18.—Discovery of chemists of the United States Department of Agriculture of the underlying cause of the destructive corn disease, "root rot," will enable corn producing states to increase their crops probably 10 per cent. E. T. Meredith, secretary of the department, said today in telling of the discovery.

### Jap Newspapers Misconstrue U. S. Naval Proposal

#### Former Premier Declares Idea Is Intended to Help America Rather Than to Promote Peace of World.

Tokio, Jan. 18.—American proposals that Japan, Great Britain and the United States "take a naval holiday" is eloquent proof that despite the fabulous riches of America, it wishes to curtail national expenditures and therefore the proposals are intended more to help America than to contribute to the peace of the world said M. Okuma, former Japanese premier, in an interview here today. He asserted America should first consult Great Britain relative to the suggested suspension of naval program.

### Commissioners Organize

Oshkosh, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The board of county commissioners was organized with William L. Law as chairman. This is the fourth year that Mr. Law has served as chairman of the board.

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## A Neckwear Sale

Organdy collars, separately or with cuffs, net and lace collars that are exceptionally dainty and a number of organdy and net vests, make up the more frivolous selection. Tailored collars and collars with cuffs of crisp white pique.

\$3.75 values	Wednesday, \$2.00
\$4.00 values	Wednesday, \$2.00
\$7.00 values	Wednesday, \$3.50
\$7.75 values	Wednesday, \$4.50
\$13.75 values	Wednesday, \$8.00

North Aisle—Main Floor

## New Blouses

Crepe de Chines in the Vivid Shades That Herald Springtime

Tomato, canary, azure, lemon and others less extraordinary, of course, such as flesh and white, are the colors that make these blouses so bewitching. The styles you must see to appreciate, for the becomingness of a collar and the artfulness of a sleeve are things utterly indescribable.

They Are All Ready for Your Viewing in the Store for Blouses

Third Floor

## Splendid Sale of Wool Hose

Women's wool hosiery, our entire selection formerly priced to \$4.25, Wednesday—**\$2 a pair**

Boys' wool half hose with fancy roll tops. **\$3 and \$3.50 qualities, \$2.50 a pair**

Center Aisle—Main Floor

## Haskell's Black Silks for Reduced Prices

Fine pure dye black silks in several fashionable weaves. Our entire stock is reduced for a few more days. Haskell's silks are sold in Omaha only at Thompson-Belden's, and we know through experience their wearing qualities.

## Coatings for Less

No lines are excepted. Veldyne, duvetyne, velour, heather mixtures and Vicuna are only a few of the fashionable weaves that are being sold for important savings.

Second Floor

## Children's Part Wool Union Suits \$1.98 and \$2.19

Gray or white suits, a good quality for a clearance price of \$1.98 for 4 to 8-year sizes. \$2.19 a suit for 10 to 16-year-olds.

All Sales Final

Knit Underwear—Second Floor

## Wednesdays Linen Sale

Decorative Linens that have become soiled are now Half Price

Cluny and Venetian lace pieces, Mosaic and Madeira work and Madeira and lace luncheon sets are all selling for half price.

Linen Huck Toweling	White Linen Scarfing	Fine Brown Art Linen	Hemmed Kitchen Towels Reduced
\$1.25 (15-in.) \$1.00 yard.	\$1.50 (18-in.) \$1.25 yard.	\$1.75 (36-in.) \$1.00 yard.	40c towels, 29c each.
\$1.35 (18-in.) \$1.10 yard.	\$1.75 (22-in.) \$1.50 yard.	\$2.00 (36-in.) \$1.50 yard.	30c towels, 19c each.
\$1.75 (22-in.) \$1.50 yard.	\$2.50 (45-in.) \$1.75 yard.	\$2.75 (54-in.) \$2.00 yard.	

Odd and Soiled Table Cloths and Napkins Are Now Selling at Still Greater Reductions.