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DR. LIEBKNECHT REPORTED KILLED IN BERLIN FIGHT

Unconfirmed Report on Death of Leader of Reds Seems Untrue—Hard Contests For News- paper Offices In Berlin Continue—Can- non and Flame Throwers Are Used.

By the Associated Press.
London, Jan. 11.—Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the Spartacan leader in Germany, was killed during street fighting in Berlin on Thursday evening, according to a dispatch to Copenhagen forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph Company.

PROBABLY UNTRUE

By the Associated Press.
London, Jan. 11.—Several dispatches from the Associated Press correspondent in Berlin filed Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock contained no mention of the reported death of Dr. Liebknecht.

Nothing definite is known here as to what Friday's developments in Berlin were.

DISORDERS SPREAD

By the Associated Press.
Copenhagen, Jan. 11.—Very serious rioting occurred Friday in Dresden, Hamburg, Augsburg and Düsseldorf, according to reports received here. The fighting was most severe in Hamburg and is still in progress.

The government troops in Berlin have not yet succeeded in crushing the Spartacans, who still hold newspaper rows. The fighting for the possession of the newspapers has lasted since Wednesday and cannon and flame throwers have caused many casualties.

SINKING STEAMER AMERICAN VESSEL

By the Associated Press.
New York, Jan. 11.—United States shipping board officials said here today that the steamship Castalia, reported sinking off Nova Scotia, was undoubtedly the American steamer, Castalia, which was being brought around from the Great Lakes for overseas service. She was at last reported arriving at Sidney, N. S., from Quebec January 6 and was bound here. The shipping board has heard nothing from the ship except what was contained in press dispatches.

INJUNCTION SUIT AGAINST BURLESON DISMISSED

New York, Jan. 11.—The injunction suit brought by the Commercial Cable company and the Commercial Pacific Cable company against Postmaster General Burleson to restrain him from taking over for the government their respective cable lines, was dismissed yesterday by Federal Judge Learned Hand.

Counsel for the companies announced that an appeal would be taken. Judge Hand decided the case on its merits.

Taking up the claims of plaintiffs that the seizure of the cable lines on November 16, five days after signing of the armistice, was not justified by the joint resolution of July 16, 1918, authorizing the president to seize cables when he deemed it "necessary" and that the resolution itself was not a sufficient warrant for the seizure. Judge Hand decided both claims adversely.

Plan To Settle Harbor Strike

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Jan. 11.—An official request has been sent to the striking harbor boatmen of New York to return to work pending action by the war labor board, which President Wilson asked by cable today to decide the controversy. Officials think the strike will be over before night.

Representatives of the war and navy departments the railroad administration and the shipping board decided upon this policy and communicated their decision to A. H. Smith, regional director of railroads, who was asked to advise the strikers.

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Jan. 11.—President Wilson today cabled a request to the war labor board to take up again the case of the marine workers' strike in New York and proceed to make

MAY LET RUSSIA IN AT PEACE MEETING

By the Associated Press.
Paris, Jan. 11.—It is understood on best authority that negotiations have been under way for some time between the allies looking for representation of all the different parties of Russia at the peace conference. It is understood that admission of these delegates be on condition that a truce be declared in Russia.

The proposition, which is supposed to emanate from the British government in its present form, is not accepted by France, which has refused to recognize the bolsheviks in any form.

LUDENDORFF WANTS TO SOJOURN IN SWEDEN

Stockholm, Jan. 11.—General Ludendorff, former chief quartermaster general of the German armies, has applied to the Swedish government for formal permission for himself and his wife to stay a short time in Sweden. The application has been granted for one month.

BULGARIA'S LOSSES ARE GIVEN IN DETAIL

By the Associated Press.
Sofia, Thursday, Jan. 9.—Bulgaria's losses follow:
Killed and missing, 101,224; wounded, 1,152,399, and prisoners, 10,825. These figures do not include the losses during the retreat from Macedonia.

CAMPAIGN TO AID STATE SCHOOL GARDEN WORK

Washington, Jan. 11.—Quite a campaign is on in behalf of the school garden work started several years ago by Commissioner of Education Claxton and developed into an important war service within the last two years. Efforts are being made to have Congress provide well for the continuation of this enterprise.

No doubt a great deal has been done to improve garden culture by the school. This coupled with the backyard garden movement has helped to feed many hungry families on the best that the soil produces. The two movements have helped to clean up many a dirty old town.

Many North Carolina people have urged Senators Overman and Simmons to aid in the efforts to have the work go on.

OVERTIME FOR SCULPTORS

Boston Transcript.
With every state, city and town planning to erect a soldiers' memorial, it looks as if our sculptors and architects should plan to ignore union hours and work overtime and holidays.

FOUR SQUADS TO STEAMER SENDS LITTLE DOING IN CHASE DOWN DESERTERS APPEAL FOR HELP ASSEMBLY TODAY

By the Associated Press.
Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 11.—Thirty-two soldiers from Camp Gordon left today for the mountains of north Georgia to aid in capturing George Crawley, alleged deserter from the camp and probably fatally wounding F. B. Dixon, a United States marshal who attempted to arrest him.

The shooting took place in Union county, near where the states of North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and South Carolina meet in the mountains. Reports received here state that the deserters are making moonshine liquor.

It was thought a general roundup of deserters would take place.

ROOSEVELT'S WILL IS FILED FOR PROBATE

By the Associated Press.
Minneapolis, N. Y., Jan. 11.—The will of Theodore Roosevelt, filed today, divides a trust fund of \$60,000 into equal shares for each of his children, bequeaths wedding presents given at the marriage of his first wife to his daughter Alice and leaves the residue of his estate to the executors of the will in trust.

The executors are directed to apply the income of the estate to the use of his widow and authorize Mrs. Roosevelt to dispose of the principal of the trust to his children in such shares and portions or either as she shall direct.

In the event that Mrs. Roosevelt fails to make such disposition of the principal it shall revert to his heirs.

AMERICANS ARE SUBJECTED TO HEAVY FIRE

By the Associated Press.
Archangel, Friday, Jan. 10.—The new positions of the Americans, Russians and Poles on the Onega sector was subjected to a heavy bolshevik machine gun fire on Thursday. The allied positions now are at a village about eight miles back from last week. The retreat was made in order to provide better billets for the men.

After a few days of extremely cold weather, the northern front has again become unusually warm.

A heavy snow has fallen.

BELLAMY AND WOODLEY LEAD FOR MARSHALSHIP

Washington, Jan. 11.—The marshaling contest is coming to a head. It looks like a final showdown between George H. Bellamy of Brunswick and William T. Woodley of Chowan. There is plenty of time for the situation to change, but the Bellamy and Woodley stocks are soaring.

Mr. Woodley whose father resided in Charlotte for years, has spent much time in Mecklenburg. He taught school there.

FORMER HICKORY LADY IS DEAD IN RALEIGH

Mr. C. G. Whitling today received a telegram from Raleigh announcing the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. S. W. Whitling, who many years resided with the family of the late Gathier Hall and conducted a private school in Hickory. She was Miss Florence Farrow before her marriage and it was in Hickory that Mr. Whitling met her. Mrs. Whitling had a number of relatives and many friends in Hickory and Lenoir who will be grieved by her death.

WHY HUNS SEEM "SULLEN"

New York Times.
Several of the correspondents who are accompanying the armies of occupation into German territory express a mingling of surprise with something very much like resentment at what they have repeatedly called the "sullen" behavior of the greater part of the German population. That the correspondents should have this feeling seems strange, when the question is considered from across the sea, and the answer of the German in B'tburg, when asked why the people there treated the invaders as they did, "Well, you don't expect us to shout about it, do you?" seems at first to be an entirely natural and adequate one.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Reformed church will meet Monday afternoon, January 13 at 3 o'clock with Mrs. C. C. Bost. The mission study class will be resumed at this meeting.

By the Associated Press.
Halifax, N. S., Jan. 11.—The steamship Castalia reported by wireless this morning that she was sinking fast 65 miles south of Conso, and called for immediate assistance. She is believed to be the American steamship Castalia, 3,692 tons gross, operated by the shipping board.

There is a British steamship Castalia of 6,396 tons.

SEVENTY-TWO ARE KILLED IN FIGHTING

By the Associated Press.
Buenos Aires, Jan. 11.—Seventy-two persons were killed, 81 were gravely wounded and more than 800 received minor injuries in the fighting which occurred here late yesterday and last night, according to figures on the casualties compiled here at 3 o'clock this morning.

Fighting was almost continuous from night until early this morning.

REPUBLICANS TIRED OF SOUTH RUNNING NATION

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Declaring for universal female suffrage by constitutional amendment and applauding speeches condemning Socialism, bolshevism and government ownership, the Republican national committee yesterday conferred on Chairman Will H. Hays, who opened the meeting with prayer, what was taken to be full power to conduct affairs of the party in its effort to defeat the Democrats at the next national election.

Resolutions laudatory of Theodore Roosevelt were adopted and plans were made to erect a monument to the decedent by popular subscription.

The Democratic national administration was denounced by committee members for what was termed its tendency to socialism and for placing control of the government departments in the hands of the minority of the south, while the majority of the north paid 90 per cent of the taxes as worded by Governor Beekman of Rhode Island.

It was declared by Chairman Hays and others that it was too early to consider a candidate for president, but many names were mentioned in the informal talk of committee men.

Two women took part in the deliberations as holders of proxies.

Mrs. Medill McCormick of Illinois, chairman of the woman's executive committee, read a long report outlining plans for the active participation of women in the national affairs of the party.

Governor Beekman of Rhode Island, referred to the recent Republican victories in the congressional elections and said the people of the north were tired of paying 90 per cent of the taxes and having it expended by the minority of the south, which dominated the Democratic national administration.

Governor Burnquist of Minnesota denounced bolshevism, anarchy and socialism and said the hope of the country for the future was in the election of a Republican president.

BRITISH DELEGATES EN ROUTE TO PARIS

By the Associated Press.
London, Jan. 11.—The British delegates to the peace conference left for Paris today.

Albert Tucker, a white man, was convicted in recorder's court yesterday on the charge of vagrancy and sentenced to 30 days in jail. Tucker claims to be unable to work, and his children kept out of school, it was claimed, to help support the family. The man was said to be a regular loafer.

This is the season of directors' meetings when plans are made for the year, and as usual it is rather dull in various lines. In a week or so, however, business in all lines will pick up and the new year will prove one of the best in history, according to business men.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 11.—There were overnight selling orders around the ring at the opening of the cotton market today and first prices were unchanged to 16 points lower in consequence. It seemed that yesterday's sharp break had left a stronger technical position and the market soon firmed up for over the weekend to about 20 to 22 points net higher.

The close was steady.

January	Open	Close
March	27.65	27.60
May	26.00	26.00
July	24.85	24.85
October	24.15	24.05
Hickory cotton, 27c.	22.10	22.00

(BY W. T. BOST)
Raleigh, Jan. 11.—Neither house of the general assembly put any great amount of work on the first Saturday of the session, both houses meeting principally to adjourn.

The house met at 10, Speaker Brummitt announcing some of his more important committees and Representative Griffin of Union county calling for the submission of suffrage to the voters of the state. No fireworks followed and the house adjourned without revising its decision to let the prohibition amendment come up next week.

The senate meeting at noon had nothing before it.

37TH ENGINEERS ARE ORDERED NO RETURN

By the Associated Press.
Coblenz, Thursday, Jan. 9.—The 37th engineers, consisting of 1,600 picked electrical and mechanical experts from every state in the union, has been ordered for early return home. The 37th is the first regiment in the third army to be ordered home.

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Democratic members of the house rules committee today reversed the committee's previous action and ordered the report of a rule giving immediate consideration to the bill appropriating \$100,000,000 for European relief work.

DISTRICT GROUP MEETS HERE MONDAY

Due to the influenza situation at Lenoir, the centenary district group meeting scheduled to meet there has been changed to the First Methodist church in Hickory, which will begin Monday at 10 o'clock and continue through the afternoon.

Pastors in this section of the Statesville district, together with lay leaders and other interested laymen, are expected to attend. It is hoped that many of the women in the district will be present. One of the subjects will be "The Woman and the Centenary" by Mrs. G. A. Warwick of Newton.

The centenary text which is presenting the cultural side of the program will be present. Other speakers will be Rev. John C. Hawk of China, Rev. R. M. Courtney and Rev. W. A. Newell.

The object of these meetings are to help the pastors, know how to put the centenary over the top.

Mr. Hawk's subject tomorrow morning at the First church will be "China's Part in and After the War."

IS GERMANY BANKRUPT?

Omaha Rec.
Estimates as to the bill that probably will be presented to Germany as liquidated war damages are mounting higher day by day. These will be subject to a final scaling by a commission, which will determine eventually the amount to be assessed from the Germans as reparations and indemnity. In anticipation of this interest centers on the ability of the Germans to meet the demands that will be made upon them.

Dr. Walter Rathenau, the greatest of the scientific captains in industry of the empire, says his country is bankrupt. English and French authorities insist the capital and resources of Germany are severely impaired as a result of the war. Manpower has been considerably diminished, but may be replenished temporarily at least by the employment of men from neighboring countries whose industries were debilitated by the war. The Huns, whose systematically wrecked factories of all kinds wherever found, that the empire would have a market for its wares when peace was restored.

It has been discovered that the German plea for food was largely a sham, and it may be found that poverty now set up is also a fiction. Careful inquiry will be required to determine the value of the Huns' assertion. He is right as to one thing, that it is the worst calamity that has befallen Germany in 2,000 years, but this will not relieve the Huns from the debt they owe, of restitution and reparation. It will be strictly and justly insisted upon. Payment of the bill will require the production of generations of German men, and they may outgrow their notions of another war by the time the last claim is settled.

AMERICAN TROOPS WELL EQUIPPED FOR WINTER

Those In Northern Russia Are Prepared For Rigors of Cold—Rapid Demobilization of the Troops Overseas and at Home Is An- nounced by General March Today.

NORTH CAROLINA TROOPS SOON TO RETURN

Hickory relatives of soldiers in the 30th division will be interested in the announcement that the North Carolina troops probably will sail from France between January 25 and 26. A special from France to a Philadelphia paper recently gave the 20th as the date for sailing, and this is confirmed by announcement from Washington in the special correspondence of H. E. C. Bryant.

Mr. Bryant says the men probably will land at Hoboken, N. J., and there remain for a week before being sent to a southern camp to be mustered out. That will enable them to reach home about the first of March. The soldiers, it is believed, will be given furloughs and if they should be transferred to a southern camp for muster out, many of them will spend short leaves with relatives.

Since General Haig, the British commander, stated in his official report that the 30th division was the first to break the Hindenburg line, interest in these veterans has increased. Their friends knew they had the goods, but it was so much finer that the British commander-in-chief to declare the fact.

WILL OCCUPY PULPIT METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. R. M. Courtney of Thomasville, formerly pastor of the First Methodist church here, and Dr. Hawk of Nashville will occupy the pulpit of the Hickory institution tomorrow at 11 o'clock for the purpose of presenting the mission campaign inaugurated by the conference at its recent session in Charlotte. Hickory Methodists will have a double pleasure in attending tomorrow—to greet their former pastor and to hear the cause he and Dr. Hawk will present.

Rev. W. O. Goode, pastor, will preach at the evening service.

GERMAN PAPER CHARGED WITH DOUBLE DEALING

Berlin, Thursday, Jan. 10.—The government today issued a proclamation attacking Die Freiheit, for its continued denunciation of the Ebert-Saemann cabinet while at the same time attempting to act as negotiating agent for the radicals who are plotting to overthrow the government. The proclamation accuses the newspaper not only of publishing a vicious and distorted account of the street fighting and of charging the government troops with needless brutality, but also of engaging in double dealing, and treachery in sending its henchmen, including Haase, Dittman Barth and Brieseheid, to act as ambassadors for the Spartacans.

The role of Haase and his friends in the present conflict is still a matter of conjecture. The fact that the former cabinet member and leader of the independents has been unable to prevent his party's newspaper from publishing the Spartacan's appeals and otherwise giving the insurgents active journalistic aid is now generally interpreted as proving that the Haase chorts are determined upon a campaign of ruin.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon the big newspaper plants and the offices of the Wolff bureau were still in the hands of the insurgents.

Walter Hines New Director

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Jan. 11.—Walter D. Hines, assistant director general of railroads, has been appointed director general by President Wilson, succeeding William G. McAdoo, resigned.

Mr. Hines, who was recommended by Mr. McAdoo, is an advocate of the latter's plan for five-year continuation of government control to provide a test period, and has supported most other policies of the acting director general, with whom he has been associated throughout

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Jan. 11.—General March made public today a report from the American military attaché at Archangel on the operations in northern Russia during the month of December and up to January 10 showing that the American troops were well equipped in every way for the winter.

The chief of staff said he had no confirmation of reports that British forces are being withdrawn from the Archangel sector.

RAPID DEMOBILIZATION

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Jan. 11.—Demobilization of the American army, General March, chief of staff, said today is proceeding at a rate which comparative figures show to be more than twice as fast as the British demobilization. Actual figures up to January 10 of men discharged from the American army showed a total of 693,889.

British discharges to January 7 numbered 352,658. American officers to the number of 47,028 have been returned to civil life, while on January 7 the British had discharged only 3,038 officers.

American troops scheduled for demobilization now number 1,151,900 including 96,000 men who actually have returned from overseas, but not including units designated for return on their way home.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE CONFERENCE SUNDAY

By the Associated Press.
New York, Jan. 11.—Prayers for the success of the peace conference in France probably will be uttered in most of the Protestant churches in the United States, Sunday, January 12, at the suggestion of the federal council of Protestant churches in America.

Favorable replies have been received by the council, and it calls on all churches to observe the day. The council is in favor of the league of nations.

WOULD RULE BY IMAGINATION

New York Evening Post.
If the world is still ruled by the imagination—and it is—the fraternizing now going on between England and the United States is of the highest augury. President Wilson's demonstrative reception by the undermanned English is, of course, purely symbolic. He himself hastens so to interpret it. In acclaimed in the English democracy hails that of America. The two have fought and suffered and triumphed side by side, and now have the instinctive and overmastering feeling that, united, a great mission is placed in their hands. To translate this emotional solidarity into common aims and common practical action is now the task of the statesmen of the two nations.

Messrs. Geo. S. Watson, McDonald Watson and John Crouch returned last night from a hunting trip in Burke county above Morganton. They reported a scarcity of birds but a number of rabbits.

Hein Huffman, aged seven years and seven months, died last night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin F. Huffman, in West Hickory of pneumonia and the funeral was held today from Houck's chapel.