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BERLIN WITNESSES RIOUS SCENES

All Alexander-Franzer Regiments Join the Revolting Sailors and Serious Street Fights Occur.

RESIGNATION OF EBERT AND HAASE DEMANDED

Many Soldiers Belonging to Berlin Guards and Few Republicans Join the Mutinous Men.

(By the Associated Press)
London, Dec. 26.—The Alexander and Franzer regiments have joined the revolting sailors in Berlin and it is reported in advices sent from Berlin late Christmas night that nearly the entire Berlin garrison will support them, leaving the government without troops. The advices were transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph Company's correspondent to Copenhagen. They added that a large number of sailors are reported to be coming from Kiel to join their comrades in Berlin. Bloody Street Fight in Berlin. London, Dec. 26.—Nearly 100 persons were killed in street fighting which began in Berlin Tuesday morning, according to latest reports from the German capital transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph Company's correspondent at Copenhagen. The republican guard tried several times to take the royal stables and headquarters of the revolting sailors but were repulsed. Many soldiers belonging to the Berlin guards and a few republican guards joined the sailors on the Wotwaerts reports. When these reports were sent large numbers of armed civilians were continuing to join the sailors, not only at the royal stables but in Koeningstrasse. This street with all of its houses is reported in the hands of the sailors, who were supported by the Spartacus. They demanded that Premier Ebert and Secretary Haase resign and be replaced by George Ledabor and Dr. Karl Liebknecht. Dr. Liebknecht, the advices add, went to the chancellor's palace and had a long conference with the minister, the result of which is unknown. Further fighting was anticipated, it was added, as the Spartacus and sailors decided to attempt to force the guards to return to Potsdam. Guards were stationed in Unter Den Linden on the Wederachplatz. Mutinous Sailors Hoist White Flag. London, Dec. 26.—The mutinous sailors who had been holding out in the red palace at Berlin hoisted the white flag and were allowed to leave under guard, according to advices from Berlin sent by the Exchange Telegraph Company's correspondent at Amsterdam. Government troops, the message adds, now occupy the palace and the royal stables. Would Execute Military Commander Berlin, Tuesday, Dec. 24.—Herr Wels, military commander of Berlin, who was arrested Monday by the revolting sailors during the fighting in which sailors and republican guards were killed and wounded was released today. Some sailors wanted his immediate execution but cooler heads opposed this plan. Some proposed that he be locked in a small chamber with the bodies of the sailors and other victims of Monday's fighting. That he escaped violence was due to the intervention of socialists. Fifty sailors, it is reported, are still confined in the red palace from which most of them were driven Monday by republican guards. One thousand two hundred sailors are still

RED LETTER DAY AT CANTEEN HUT

The Wednesday Unit Remembers the Passing Soldiers and Christmas Dinner is Served All—Hut Decorated and Beautiful Tree Stood in Front of Building.

DRIVE MADE THROUGH STREETS OF LARGEST CITY

Guard Regiments in Khaki Compose Long Line of Guards and Cavalry Help Form Escort.

(By the Associated Press)
London, Dec. 26.—President and Mrs. Wilson were in Buckingham palace this afternoon after a journey from Calias to London during which they were accorded all the honors ever given royalty. Never had a royal progress except those of great national ceremonies excited such interest here as the first visit of an American President. The drive of the short procession from the station to the palace was made through streets lined with guard regiments in khaki. Fresh flags hung overhead and covered buildings while windows, balconies, sidewalks and open spaces were filled with people, many of whom wore the American colors. It was a brief spectacle. First came the sovereign escort of troops from the household cavalry helmets and field cuirasses. Then came the carriages with King George and President Wilson and Queen Mary and Mrs. Wilson. These were followed by three others which passed almost unnoticed, all eyes being on President and Mrs. Wilson and the royal family. The procession in which President Wilson traversed the streets of London to Buckingham palace was a short one. There were intervals of 100 feet between the units. First came a detachment of police and then a general and his staff with troops of the household cavalry four abreast in khaki, and with drawn swords. Next came the king's carriage in which President Wilson sat at the right of King George. The Duke of Connaught sat opposite them. Another troop of cavalry followed and then came a carriage with Queen Mary and Mrs. Wilson on her right and Princess Mary facing them. Then came a third troop of cavalry and after it the three remaining carriages of the procession. The gleaming coats of the outriders scattered along the procession gave an effective dash of color. The king was dressed in the service uniform of a British field marshal. He remained covered throughout the journey, permitting President Wilson to accept the demonstration. Mrs. Wilson carried a large bouquet of flowers and wore black. Queen Mary was dressed in a dark costume with light colored hat. GERMANY DEMOCRATS ASK FOR A UNITED GERMANY Democratic Party Appeals for the Union of All Liberal Parties and Adopts a Platform. Coblenz, Monday, Dec. 23.—Appeals for the union of all the liberal parties which desire a republic and do not wish the new Germany to fall into the hands either of reactionaries or socialists were made at a meeting Sunday of the German democratic party, which assembled in Coblenz to adopt a platform. The party desires a united Germany including German Austria, equality before the law of citizens of all classes, male and female; freedom of thought and religion; a free press and free speech, but no arbitrary attacks on the rights of the church. Families with many children, it is declared, should be protected from excessive taxation. So that the burdens may be borne, strong industry and healthy trade are necessary, as well as freedom of trade from the fetters of war industries. The abolition of war industries is desired. The party advocates the living of free peasants on free soil. Officials must be insured a livelihood, in order to insure good service. There must be sympathetic care for the war wounded and for the dependents of the fallen soldiers, which would be made a point of honor in the new Germany. Upon this platform, it was announced, the German democratic party will stand in the national assembly.

LONDON POURS OUT TO SEE PRESIDENT

President and Mrs. Wilson in Buckingham Palace After Trip From Calias to London.

WANT LEGISLATION ON WHEAT PRICE

Memorandum Sent to Representatives Lever Chairman of House Agricultural Committee Makes Suggestions.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Legislation to make effective the wheat price guarantee for the 1919 crop and at the same time safeguard the government against losses was recommended to congress today by the department of agriculture and the food administration. A memorandum sent to Representative Lever of South Carolina, chairman of the House agricultural committee, made the following recommendation: First—The extension by congress beyond June 1, 1919, of the date for government purchase of the 1918 crop. Second—Continuation of the food administration grain corporation or the creation of a new agency to buy, store and sell the 1919 crop of wheat that may be offered to the government. Third—Possible legislative provision to protect the government against wheat or flour brought in from other countries during the period of effectiveness of the guaranteed price and also to protect buyers of such wheat as long as the wheat is in this country and not consumed.

BOLSHEVIK ARREST AMERICAN CONSUL

Roger C. Tredwell Held in Custody at Tashkent, Russian Turkestan, But Well Treated.

EFFORTS BEING MADE TO OBTAIN HIS RELEASE

Just What Caused His Detention Not Known But Probably Fact That He is American Official.

(By the Associated Press)
Washington, Dec. 26.—Urgent messages sent through many channels when reports reached Washington that Roger C. Tredwell, American consul, had been arrested by the Bolsheviks at Tashkent in Russian Turkestan, brought forth the fact that the consul, while in custody, was being well treated and was confined in his room instead of in prison. Efforts to obtain his release are now going forward. Just what caused the consul's arrest is not known but it may be that hostile authorities arrested him for no other reason than the fact that he is an American consular officer. The last regular post held by Mr. Tredwell was consul at Petrograd. Since his withdrawal from Petrograd he has been assigned to a roving commission to various points in and near Russia and made exhausted reports to this government of conditions as he found them.

BRITISH ADMIRALTY BATTLE WITH SUB.

The Battle Between the British Decoy Ship Dunraven and German Submarine Juss One of the Struggles of the Submarine Warfare.

REVIEWED BY DANIES AND DISTINGUISHED MEN

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YARD FOREMAN KILLED BY TRAIN AT ASHEVILLE

J. R. Sutton Jumped Across One Track in Front of Locomotive on Another.

MORE TROOPS COMING HOME

Washington, Dec. 26.—Lists of units of the expeditionary forces assigned for early convey home cable today by General Pershing comprise 600 officers and nearly 20,000 men. They include the 44th, 60th and 64th coast artillery regiments and 49th and 331st infantry.

NEUTRALS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED PEACE CONFERENCE

Allied Representatives Reach This Decision—Neutrals May Address Claims to Belligerents and Special Body Will Hear Them.

(By the Associated Press)
Paris, Dec. 25.—(Havas Agency.)—Allied representatives have decided that neutral nations will not be admitted to the peace conference, according to newspapers here. Neutrals may address their claims to the belligerents, however, and any demands thus made will be referred to a special body which will be created by the peace conference. It has been decided, it is reported, that neutrals will be allowed to participate in the deliberations incident to the formation of a league of nations.

ZEPPELINS TO PLY BETWEEN NEW YORK-HAMBURG?

Reported That Disarmed Zeppelins Will Be Converted Into Aerial Merchantment For Cross Ocean Service.

Paris, Dec. 26.—(Havas Agency.)—Disarmed Zeppelins will be converted into aerial merchantment to play between New York and Hamburg, according to the Echo of Paris, which says it received its information from "a reliable source."

BOYS' LEG AMPUTATED.

Karl Sheets, a young son of Mr. G. A. Sheets, of Advance, Davie county, met with a serious accident yesterday while hunting. His leg was accidentally discharged, the load taking effect in his right leg near the knee. The injured lad was rushed to Salisbury and placed in the sanatorium but it was found that the wound was of such serious nature that the limb could not be saved and it was amputated just above the knee.

MEXICAN CHAMBER TALKING REFORMS

Concern Power of State Legislatures to Fix Number of Clergy Participating in Religious Rights—Extraordinary Powers for President Carranza. Mexico City, Dec. 26.—The Mexican chamber of deputies is considering measures whose object is mitigation of several sections of the constitution. The reforms refer to sections concerning the power of state legislatures to fix the maximum number of clergy participating in religious rights and requiring all members of the clergy to be native born Mexicans. Another measure concerns clauses affecting the naturalization of church property. These measures were taken up by the chamber after the passage of a bill giving President Carranza extraordinary powers in financial matters.

JAPAN'S LOAN TO CHINA.

The Stupendous Figures Are Made Public—During the Present War This Was Enlarged Very Much. (Correspondence of Associated Press) Peking, Dec. 25.—Japan's loans to China are estimated by the Tokio correspondent of one Peking newspaper to have attained a total of about \$148,885,000. Loans from Japan contracted by China in the present year are placed at \$65,515,000. The newspaper's correspondent alleges that according to his information much of the proceeds of the loans contracted for this year have been diverted from the stipulated purposes for which they were made, and have been "squeezed" by private persons or wasted in prosecution of the civil war. He elaborates as follows: "The loan of \$25,000,000 contracted by the Bank of Communications nominally for the purpose of effecting reforms in the said bank did nothing to attain that end but, on the contrary, the value of the bank notes kept dropping steadily. The proceeds of the Telegraph Administration loan amounted to \$20,000,000 were also recklessly squandered. The military loan also amounting to \$20,000,000 was contracted ostensibly for the purpose of participating in the European War by recruiting and especially training three divisions and eight brigades of troops. But the proceeds were used for prosecuting the internal war."

GEO. ESPY PLYLER DEAD

Mt. Ulla Young Man Killed in Action in France, November 11. The following is from this week's Mooresville Enterprise: Mr. George K. Plyler, of Mount Ulla, was officially notified last Thursday that his son, George Espy Plyler, was killed in action in France on November 1. Espy Plyler was an excellent young man and was well and favorably known in Mooresville, where he frequently visited, being a member of the Amity string band, before going to war. The young man who made the supreme sacrifice was a member of Company K, 309th infantry.

MISS REGINA RIBELIN DEAD

Miss Regina Ribelin, aged 27 years, daughter of Mr. Isaac Ribelin of the St. Paul neighborhood, died Tuesday afternoon of bronchial pneumonia. The funeral and burial took place Wednesday at St. Matthew's Lutheran church.