

FRENCH TROOPS CROSS THE RHINE AND OCCUPY FRANKFORT

HIRAM JOHNSON LEADS WOOD IN MICHIGAN

(By The Associated Press.) DETROIT, April 6. — With a little more than one third of the precincts in the state tabulated early this morning, United States Senator Hiram W. Johnson...

On the democratic ticket Reberth Hoover held the lead over Governor Edward I. Edwards, of New Jersey. The democrats apparently cast a light vote...

1167 out of 2,431 precincts in the state including Detroit complete, give: Republican: Johnson 103,786; Wood 59,483; Lowden 33,298; Hoover 29,774; Pershing 7,510.

CONDITIONS AT OTEEN ARE IMPROVED

War Department Issues Statement Regarding Recent Troubles at Government Hospital at Oteen.

(By H. E. C. Bryant.) WASHINGTON, April 5. — The war department gave out a statement on general hospital No. 19, at Oteen, today.

JAPANESE TROOPS HAVE ENTERED VLADIVOSTOK

(By The Associated Press.) VLADIVOSTOK, April 5. — Japanese troops today occupied Vladivostok after eight hours of severe fighting in all parts of the city.

HOPES TO HAVE FLOWN ACROSS PACIFIC IN TWO YEARS

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, April 6. — Secretary Daniels told the senate naval committee today that he hoped that "in two years or less we will have a machine that has flown across the Pacific."

duty as mess officer at the hospital by Surgeon General Ireland, who assigned Major Arthur Moorehouse, sanitary corps, to that duty.

Should Have Admitted Clark. While the investigation was in progress, a civilian, Walter Clark, sought to make a personal investigation of conditions at the hospital.

Lack of Supervision. The improvement of the mess after the arrival of the inspector indicated that proper supervision was not exercised before.

The inspector general held that the principle fault has been lack of careful, energetic and constant supervision.

FRANCE GETS 10 PER CENT OF ENEMY WARSHIPS.

(By The Associated Press.) PARIS, April 6. — Particulars of the distribution of enemy warships among the allies have just been published here.

FORMER BANKER MAY RUN FOR SENATE

Frank A. Vanderlip, former President of the National City Bank, N. Y. C., who may be one of the candidates for the Republican nomination for U. S. Senator to succeed Jas. W. Wadsworth.

JUDGE BEN LINDSEY SPEAKS HERE APRIL 12

Noted Jurist and Authority on Juvenile Courts Comes to Gastonia Under Auspices of Lyceum Bureau — Last Attraction of Season.

Judge Ben B. Lindsey, a world renowned authority on juvenile courts, will be the next attraction in the Gastonia Lyceum course.

BAPTIST CONVENTION AT SHELBY THIS WEEK

Many Gaston County People Attending Meeting of Women's Missionary Union in Shelby This Week — The Program Through Wednesday.

Many Gaston county Baptist women are leaving for Shelby today to attend the 36th Annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union which begins today and continues through Friday.

COMMUNITY SOCIAL WORKERS ENJOY SPLENDID BANQUET

Enjoyable Affair at the Arrington Hotel Monday Night Given by Mr. W. T. Rankin and Prof. F. P. Hall to Community Workers and Domestic Science Teachers.

One of the peculiar characteristics of Miss Nell Pickens, Gaston County's most efficient county demonstrator, is to dream dreams and in some mysterious way bring them to pass.

NOTIFIES DE VON MAYER

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Darmstadt was entered shortly afterwards by French forces. The German garrison of that city had left at midnight to avoid contact with the French and this morning was six miles east of the city.

General de Goutte has issued a proclamation to cities and towns within the area to be occupied stating that the French troops have crossed the Rhine to compel the Berlin government to respect its agreement with the allies and asserting there is no hostile intent toward the people of that region.

German authorities and public services will continue to function under French military officials and strikes will not be tolerated.

People are temporarily forbidden to circulate in the various communities from nine o'clock at night until 5 in the morning.

More than five persons must not collect in streets or in private or public meetings without authorization.

Newspapers are temporarily suspended and permission must be given to use the telephone and telegraph.

All arms and grenades must be deposited in city halls within six hours after the posting of the proclamation but regular police will be allowed to retain sabers and revolvers.

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government to obtain the immediate withdrawal of the German troops which unduly penetrated the neutral zone fixed by article 32 of the treaty of Versailles.

"My request having obtained no result up to this time, I have the honor of informing you that the general commanding in chief the army of the Rhine has received orders to occupy immediately the cities of Frankfort, Hamburg, Hanau, Darmstadt and Dieburg. This occupation will end as soon as the German troops shall have completely evacuated the neutral zone."

FOCH CONFERS WITH MILLERAND. PARIS, April 6. — Marshal Foch had a conference this morning with Premier Millerand. Later the premier received Hugh C. Wallace, the American ambassador.

PLAN CONFERENCE TO RESTORE CAR SERVICE

(By Associated Press.) TOLEDO, O., April 6. — Following refusal last night of city council to recede from its stand against an increase of one cent in the rate of fare to cover a wage raise demanded by striking street car men, Mayor Cornell Schreiber, Judge John M. Killitt of the United States district court, and Henry I. Doherty, head of the Toledo Traction interests, planned a conference today in which an attempt will be made to restore car service.

City officials were working frantically today trying to install an efficient motor bus service to take care of the working public, many of whom have been obliged to walk to and from work since Saturday morning when the car men walked out.

Snow and freezing temperatures are adding to the discomfort of the former car riders and down town business is said to have felt the result of the strike.

Mr. Doherty gave it as his opinion today that the traction problem now is up to the citizens. He figured that the strike is costing the company \$4,000 a day, the workers \$5,000 a day and the city at large about \$100,000 a day in decreased production.

He intimated that he has no intention of taking the initiative in a settlement.

WISCONSIN VOTERS WILL DECIDE ISSUES TODAY

(By The Associated Press.) WILWAUKEE, Wis., April 6. — Early indications pointed to a fairly heavy vote in today's state-wide primary for delegates to the national political conventions and in the election of a mayor and board of aldermen in Milwaukee.

Chief interest centers in the outcome of contests for delegates to the republican national convention between the un-instructed candidates headed by Governor E. L. Phillips, and the list of candidates having the endorsement of United States Senator LaFollette. The delegates on other party tickets have no opposition. No presidential preference is being voted on.

PREPARING TO DRAG RIVER FOR BODIES OF VICTIMS

(By The Associated Press.) ANDERSON, S. C., April 6. — Preparations have been made for dragging the bed of Savannah river, at Harpers Ferry, in the hope of recovering bodies of the ten victims of an accident Sunday afternoon when a flat boat with 11 passengers was swamped. The swollen stream this morning had receded to about three feet above normal.

Parties on both the South Carolina and Georgia sides of the river have watched along the shores in the hope that some bodies would be washed up. Victims of the tragedy, whose ages ranged from 14 to 37, consist of one family of two, three children of one family, two children each of two other families and one child of a fourth family, wiping out practically all the young people of the neighborhood. All the victims are from prominent and well-to-do families.