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WAR SHADOWS AGAIN HANGING OVER EUROPE

French Officials Charge Germany Quietly Is Getting Ready.

HITLER VIEWED MENACE Reichwehr Only Is Training School for Officers, Asserts Senator.

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The reparations and war debts deadlock now imminent between Germany and the allies on the one hand, and the allies and the United States on the other, is brimming with sinister possibilities.

Reports from Germany indicate that she is playing for big stakes—for cancellation of reparations, pure and simple—and is prepared to take the consequences of failure.

In a desperate effort to prevent being overthrown by Herr Hitler and his war-like Fascists, Chancellor Bruening has taken one of Hitler's principal planks and is using it to bolster up his tottering regime.

Germany can pay no more reparations, he has boldly stated, and this the French take to mean the beginning of an open attack on the treaty of Versailles itself, and an effort to restore the eastern frontiers to their pre-war status.

Charge Willful Default

On top of this, high French officials charge that Germany is willfully in default and that she has been spending vast sums of money in secret preparation for a war of revenge against France.

Instead of paying reparations, it is alleged, Germany has been building vast airports, chemical works, factories capable of turning out airplanes, tanks, gas explosives, deadly gases, and so on, and training hordes of officers to take command of troops trained in the use of machine guns, athletic associations and the like.

Senator Burgeous just has reported to the foreign affairs committee at Paris that the reichwehr—the army of 100,000 allowed Germany under the treaty of Versailles—is used to train officers as well as done in Prussia following similar restrictions placed upon Teutonic troops by Napoleon. By intensive methods, officers quickly are turned out in vast numbers to make way for more.

On Eve of Elections

Such is the feeling in France on the eve of her national elections. These are expected to return a nationalist legislature. Premier Laval has the reputation of concealing a fist of steel inside a velvet glove, and Andre Tardieu, minister of war, is a disciple of former President Poincare, who invaded the Ruhr, and of the late Marshal Foch who never ceased to insist that the Rhine is France's natural frontier.

Across this historic waterway, in Germany, nationalism is rampant and still growing—if there are any more Germans left to convert to the cause.

To the last man, woman and child, Germans have come to accept the agreement of Versailles, the treaty of Versailles means slavery; that reparations are intolerable; that all their woes, economic and political, are due to the war settlements, and that these must be abolished.

France Is Big Hate

In this spirit, Germans today are facing the allies in general and France in particular. France is their big hate. Italy and Britain both favor treaty revision, but France remains adamant.

Like France, Germany shortly will hold her national elections. And Hitlerism, if not Adolf Hitler himself almost certainly will sweep the nation. Two increasingly belligerent powers, therefore, now face each other threateningly astraddle the Rhine.

In the face of all this, the war debts position of the administration at Washington is like that of a straw in a whirlwind. Its thesis continues to be that the \$22,000,000 war debts, principal and interest, has nothing to do with Germany's \$28,000,000 reparations payments. But if and when the European cyclone begins to blow, the straw of Washington's desires, it is predicted, will be blown hither or there by the wind from overseas.

INSURANCE DAY SALES IN CITY SET RECORD

More Than Three and a Half Million Dollars Is Written.

Exceeding by more than a million dollars, the most optimistic predictions of insurance agents, the insurance day drive of Indianapolis agencies resulted in the writing of nearly three and a half million dollars of insurance, it was announced today.

Mansur B. Oakes, president of the Insurance Research and Review Service, 123 West North street, said that incomplete returns this morning showed 700 salesmen in the city wrote policies on 2,203 individuals, representing a total of \$3,739,128.

The one-day drive was conducted Wednesday, beginning with a breakfast in the Chamber of Commerce. Amounts of policies written ranged from \$100 to \$60,000. Oakes said.

Oakes said the sales set an all-time record for cities of comparative size.

Hunt Hit-and-Run Driver

A hit-and-run driver who struck Harry Phillips, 45, of 1506 East St. Clair street, at West North street, today, bruising him, was sought by police. Phillips, who was crossing the street when struck, was treated at city hospital.

The Day in Congress

By United Press

The Chilean embassy in Washington has received a sixteen-page note from Luis Iserquero, minister of finance of Chile, replying to questions asked by Senator Johnson (Rep., Cal.) regarding organization of the Chilean nitrate monopoly. Johnson requested the questions be answered in connection with the senate investigation of foreign loans.

Embassy officials said that the finance minister, in his reply, answered all questions asked by Johnson in a straight-forward manner.

The senate finance committee decided to have open hearings, beginning Saturday on the Democratic tariff bill, which transfers from the President to congress authority to make rate changes on recommendation of the tariff commission. It has been passed by the house.

Senator Vandenberg (Rep., Mich.) offered an amendment to the provision which would enable the tariff commission to transfer articles and commodities to and from the free list.

This would open the way to imposition of tariffs on oil, copper and other free list commodities. Democrats on the committee refused to countenance this proposal.

Assistant Secretary of States Wilbur C. Carr advised the senate immigration committee today against passage of a bill introduced by Senator King (Dem., Utah) to provide for deportation of alien seamen illegally entering the United States.

Carr said ten nations had protested against the measure.

Failure of the house to appropriate the necessary funds because of the government's present strained fiscal condition was said today to be delaying between \$75,000,000 and \$80,000,000 worth of public building construction.

Testimony regarding the delay was given the house labor committee by Perry Heath, assistant treasury secretary in charge of building construction.

Seibel Harris, chairman of the Grange committee national affairs, said before the house agriculture committee today that without speculation wheat prices would drop from 10 to 15 cents a bushel.

Harris, testifying at the hearing on a possible curb on short speculation, which he knew of no legislation which would curtail the commodity bear raids on the wheat market could be accomplished by legislation already enacted.

The cigarette smoker had his day before the house ways and means committee today, when tobacco interests registered a vigorous protest against Secretary Mellon's proposal to increase cigarette taxes.

Increased taxes would cut consumption and reduce government revenues from this profitable source, it was argued by Julius Parker, New York, representing the Tobacco Manufacturing Association of the United States.

Representative Cresser (Dem., O.), introduced in the house today a resolution which would authorize the interstate commerce commission to investigate the possibility of applying the six-hour day to all railroad labor.

An identical resolution is being prepared by Senator Couzens (Dem., Mich.), for introduction in the senate.

Reports that the house would vote on prohibition at this session of congress were denounced on the floor today by Representative O'Connor (Dem., N. Y.), who said that the anti-prohibition bloc has "assurances" that opportunity would be given for roll call.

O'Connor said there would be a vote on the repeal amendment, providing for rule for the states to be submitted on referendum, and on modification of the Volstead act.

FUNERAL MONDAY FOR MRS. BERTHA FEUCHT

Born in Germany; Resident of City Since 1888.

Last rites for Mrs. Bertha Feucht, 70, widow of Paul W. Feucht and resident of the city since 1888, who died Thursday at her home, 3413 West Michigan street, will be conducted at 10 Monday at St. Paul's Reformed church.

A native of Wurtemberg, Germany, Mrs. Feucht came to this country in 1882, was married in 1884, came to Indianapolis in 1888 and had lived here since. She was active in affairs of the St. Paul's church.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Lena Cook of Greenfield, and three sons, Otto and Theodore Feucht, both of this city, and Paul Feucht of Tyrone, Pa.

Auto Looted of Clothing

Theft of clothing and house decoration materials, valued at \$100, were stolen from the automobile of Edwin Ulrich, 2038 Central avenue, early today, he informed police.

Law Stands Still

To Save Girl's Life

By United Press

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Jan. 22.—Because a 4-year-old girl lay critically ill in Warren hospital here today, the law-enforcing machinery of the federal government was stopped temporarily in the hope of saving her life.

Charles Ogilvie, convicted saloon-keeper, appeared before Federal Judge William H. Kirkpatrick in Philadelphia Thursday charged with violating a parole. He was sentenced to ten months in the Mercer county jail at Trenton.

After he left for jail word was received at the court that Ogilvie's daughter, Evelyn, and wife had been burned Wednesday night at their home.

Evelyn, the message said, needed a transfusion and her father was believed the only person whose blood would be suitable.

When Ogilvie arrived at the jail he was told of the need. Immediately he was started for Pottsville, 150 miles away. A police escort awaited the car in Philadelphia and escorted it, sirens screaming, through the city.

Ogilvie arrived after a four-hour trip. His blood was tested and found to be the right type for the transfusion.

But Evelyn had shown considerable improvement and physicians decided not to perform a transfusion unless absolutely necessary. If she continues to improve, they said, she will not need the operation.

NEW BILL AIDS DEPOSITORS IN CLOSED BANKS

Sweeping Revisions in Laws Provided in Measure Offered by Glass.

LIMITS STOCKS DEALING

Liquidating Corporation Is Set Up Inside Federal Reserve System.

BY LYLE C. WILSON
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Relief for depositors in closed banks, and sharp restriction on leakage of federal reserve credit into stock speculation are provided in a bill introduced by Senator Glass (Dem., Va.).

The banking and currency committee discussed the bill briefly today and decided to give the measure precedence over all other committee matters. Hearings will be resumed Monday and senators expressed the opinion the bill would be reported to the senate next week.

Glass proposes sweeping revision of the banking laws to provide "safer and more effective use" of federal reserve and national bank assets. The bill would appropriate \$200,000,000 from the treasury to aid depositors in closed banks.

Also Temporary Relief

A liquidating corporation would provide permanent machinery to aid depositors in closed banks of the federal reserve system, and immediately temporary relief for non-members. Member banks would be limited strictly in lending for stock market operations.

National banks would be authorized to engage in state-wide branch banking in states which permit such operation. But branches outside a bank's home city would be limited to parent banks with \$1,000,000 capital stock.

Security affiliates of banks would be subjected to strict examination and some supervision, and a bank could lend to such an affiliate not more than 10 per cent of its capital and surplus.

Requirements for operation of group or chain banks are established, including a provision for examination. Groups and chains would be required to rid themselves of stock or bond issuing units, and holding corporations of chains would be obliged to establish funds with which to meet the double liability of stockholders in the event of failure.

Create Market Group

The bill would create an "open market committee" to supervise such federal reserve operations. All future foreign business of federal reserve banks would be subject to prior approval of the federal reserve board.

Many existing restrictions on national bank operations would be removed by the bill and the national institutions would be enabled to perform practically all banking operations now performed by state banks. In addition, national banks would be enabled to charge discount rates equal to state rates, or 2 per cent above the federal reserve rate in order at all times to make discounting profitable.

The liquidating corporation for closed banks is set up inside the federal reserve system. Member banks would receive 30 per cent of its profits, and the remainder would accrue to the revolving fund, to which the banks would be required to subscribe.

EVIDENCE DISAPPEARS; CHARGE IS DROPPED

Woman Freed on False Pretense Count in Bakery Deal.

Because bakery machinery can not be found, a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses against Mrs. Elsie Schmidt, 834 Union street, was dismissed by Municipal Judge Clifton R. Cameron today.

She was arrested recently after Harry Gaston, 909 Union street, charged she had sold him \$300 worth of bakery equipment which she did not own.

In court, Harry Schwartz, operator of the bakery, admitted the articles sold by Mrs. Schmidt belonged to her but he had removed his equipment, leaving that which was sold to Gaston. Both Gaston and Schwartz admitted it was not theirs.

Added loss, estimated at several thousand dollars, was caused to tobacco stores by rain seeping into the warehouse through the hole in the roof, according to John Perkins, manager.

The burglars first attempted to gain entrance by breaking a skylight, but failed because bars had been installed. They then sawed a hole in the roof to permit passage of the loot.

Tracks of a truck, apparently used by the thieves, were found near the building.

GOLD SECRET CLAIMED

Professor's Formula to Take Metal From Earth Interests Bankers.

By United Press

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The secret of releasing gold from earth, allegedly discovered by Professor Dunikowski of Poland is being given serious consideration by an important group of British bankers, the Daily Mail said today.

Experiments have been made at Paris on earth selected from various parts of the continent, and it was said that the gold content of the samples was increased appreciably by Dunikowski's method. The Daily Mail quoted an eminent British banker as saying the discovery was of world-wide importance.

Do Your Children Know Value of Money? Here Are Systems of Four City Mothers



Upper Left Photo—Mrs. C. E. Sunthimer and her "budgeteers" while they are budgeting. The "budgeteers," left to right, Charlene, Maxine and Mary Ethel.

Upper Right—The "coin counters," Robert, left, and "Tommy," right, receiving allowances from their pocketbooks from their mother, Mrs. Matt Carpenter.

Purse banks always hang on the book house chimneys shown in the photo.

Lower Left—Mrs. Gripe and her "work-for-its" ready to clean house.

Lower Right—"Mom, gimme a penny," urge Mary and Raymond Stone of their mother, Mrs. R. H. Stone, as she opens her pocketbook.

AURORA CALLS BUSINESS HALT

Step Taken to Forestall Run on Banks.

By United Press

AURORA, Ill., Jan. 22.—A five-day moratorium on business and manufacturing was proclaimed by Mayor Conrad N. Bjorseth today, although Aurora has weathered the financial crisis in the Chicago metropolitan area without a bank failure or run.

Mayor Bjorseth issued the proclamation after conferences with bankers and business leaders which started Thursday night and lasted until 3 a. m. today.

The city's leaders, agreed to the plan, praising it as a means of stabilizing business conditions. In the vicinity of Aurora, two banks in Joliet, one in Elgin and several in other communities have closed recently.

All manufacturing plants will shut down, the city's five banks will close their doors and among business houses, only newspapers, public utilities and food stores will remain open.

The suspension will be effective for five days, under Mayor Bjorseth's plan. When a similar innovation was ordered at Urbana, after bank failures, business was ordered resumed before the five-day period expired.

Business leaders will take advantage of the breathing spell to send teams of men throughout the community, urging bank depositors to leave their savings untouched, and to deposit hoarded money.

CIGARET THIEVES CUT THROUGH STORE ROOF

Stock Worth \$500 Stolen From North Side Warehouse.

Cutting through the roof of the Schmitt & Co. warehouse at 2131 Northwestern avenue, early today, burglars hauled away cigarettes valued at \$500.

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AGREEMENT NEAR ON RAIL PAY CUT

BY JOHN B. MILLER
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Drys Jubilant at Defeat of Bingham Bill

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Prohibitionists announced today that they still hold Capitol Hill.

The 55 to 15 senate defeat Thursday of the Bingham referendum resolution was acclaimed by Senator Sheppard (Dem., Tex.), author of the eighteenth amendment, as proof of dry numerical superiority in congress.

"It was a test case," Sheppard told the United Press. "After the usual debating dry majority. It showed a majority of almost 4 to 1. Other tests will show the same result."

Wets were not inclined to agree with Sheppard. They were sorry that the first prohibition vote of the session had to come on the Bingham resolution. At heart many wets were not in favor of it because of its unusual nature. It proposed to inform the states that the senate would welcome any action on their part looking toward state referendums.

PAY SLASH FOUGHT

County Surveyor Files Suit to Restore Old Salaries.

Refusal of the county council to rescind the reductions made last fall in his employees' salaries, today had brought a suit from County Surveyor Bruce Short to force payment of salaries upon the basis existing prior to the cuts.

Short filed the suit in superior court five shortly after the county council had refused to restore salaries to numerous county employees to the higher level.

Only restorations made by the council were those which the body was mandated to replace.

The suit seeks to force Charles A. Grossart, county auditor, to pay the deputy \$2,400, instead of \$1,800, as appropriated by the council for 1932. It also asks that \$2,810 be added to salaries of other deputies.

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PLEADS CUT IN GOVERNING COST

Grain Men Praise Denial of Special Session.

By United Press

Demand that governmental costs be reduced if there is to be any relief from taxation was made by B. W. Snow, crop statistician of Chicago today. He spoke on "America at the Crossroads" at the closing session of the thirty-first annual convention of the Indiana Grain Dealers' Association in the Board of Trade building.

"All governmental costs have increased 330 per cent in the last fifteen years," Snow said. "Where is it going to stop, or will we all be made bankrupts before the end?"

Resolutions adopted demanded: Rigid economy in government, a halt in the work of perfecting a waterways systems because of damage to railroads, no further federal marketing acts and interference with grain futures. Governor Harry O. Leslie was commended for refusing to call a special session of the general assembly "because of the costs of such a meeting."

O. L. Barr, Bicknell, was re-elected president of the association and W. D. Springer, Indianapolis, was named vice-president to succeed D. P. Simson, Romney.

DITCH TO BE CLEANED TO RELEASE HIGH TIDE

Gimber Street Flooded; Children Ferried Over Water to School.

Steps to relieve flood conditions near the 1200 block Gimber street, were taken today by the city board following numerous appeals from residents of the vicinity.

City school officials today notified the board that it was necessary to ferry school children across the street in a car because of water running over the street and sidewalk. Many residents reported flooded basements.

The board ordered Wilbur H. Winship, street commissioner, to have a drainage ditch in the vicinity cleaned to permit the water to flow away.

WOMAN SEEKS COURT REPORTER NOMINATION

Miss Emma May, Terre Haute, Bids for Democratic Honor.

Miss Emma May of Terre Haute, president of the Indiana Women's Democratic Club, today announced her candidacy for the Democratic nomination for reporter of the supreme and appellate courts, in a telegram to The Times.

She is the first woman to announce for nomination in the convention, and, if accorded the honor, probably will contest the post with Miss Genevieve Brown of Winamac, Republican incumbent, who is expected to seek renomination.

Miss May has been prominent in Democratic activities for years, and has built up a strong following among the feminine contingent of the party.

ASSAULT IS CHARGED

Five Men Are Indicted on Story of Young Girls.

Indictments charging five men with criminal assault on four young girls, were returned in criminal court today by the Marion county grand jury.

Those indicted are Clarence Roberts, Mars Hill; Major Love, Fairland; Ernest Biggs, 652 Coffey street; Leon P. Dunn, Oliver avenue and Division street, and Ollie Branham, 120 Division street.

JAPAN PEACE MENACE, SAYS VON LUCKNER

Famous German Sea Raider Thinks U. S. Should Be World Policeman.

HITS VERSAILLES PACT

Brands It Greatest Error of All; Hindenburg Is 'Only Leader.'

"Japan is a menace to world peace," cried Count Felix von Luckner, the famous German "Sea Raider" of the World War, and paused as his secretary turned him half around this morning to get him into his vest.

"You've got twenty-five minutes before you leave to make your lecture," reminded the secretary.

Von Luckner, preparing to go to English to deliver his speech before the Town hall audience grunted and pulled at his vest. He waved his pipe wildly.

"They babble about world peace," he cried, "and then they let Japan run wild all over Asia."

Japan and France are the two nations causing the world's unrest. They're not satisfied with what they have. How can the world feel safe?"

He's Human Dynamo

His secretary tucked his tobacco pouch into his hand, and the count waved it above his head.

Von Luckner is a human dynamo. His whole room seemed filled with electricity as he walked around in circles waving his arms.

The Versailles treaty is the greatest mistake of all," he roared. "Germany is entirely willing to pay her war loans, but that atrocity, the Versailles treaty, is filled with poison—poison that can strangle an entire nation."

"What's the matter with Germany? That treaty and the lack of leadership."

Praises Hindenburg

"How many leaders has Germany? One—that great old man—Hindenburg. Bruening—bah! Hindenburg, that great old man, needs a rest. He deserves a rest. Will they give it to him? No! Who have they to take his place? Nobody!"

"What this world needs is one nation with a big club. The pacifists who want to reduce your army are all wrong. What the United States ought to have is a standing army that will be the monument of peace."

"Take this Manchurian thing. Japan rushes into China. All the United States would have had to do was step up and roar across the sea."