

SPARTACANS CLASH WITH EBERT'S MEN

Ruhr is Scene of Sanginary Fighting as Government Moves Against Radicals — 8,000 Toll, Paris Estimates.

MOST CENTERS QUIET

(By Associated Press) Berlin, not withstanding the return of the Ebert government, to control, still presents pretty much the aspect of an armed camp, with the food supply short, and sanguinary fighting occurring at intervals in the suburbs.

Serious trouble occurred in the Mosbit industrial quarter Sunday night, and in one conflict reported Sunday, 20 Spartacans were killed in an engagement and 24 others who were captured, were summarily executed.

In the Rulin industrial region, immediately adjoining the Allied zone of occupation, there is veritable civil warfare, with opposing armies of communists and government troops drawing up their forces in line of battle. Government detachments have been defeated in some of the preliminary skirmishes.

Leipzig Now Quiet.

Leipzig has quieted down after the government victory there. Among the agricultural population in some sections of Northern Germany there is increasing unrest.

Southern and eastern Germany are reported fairly quiet. There is a threat, however, of a renewal of the general strike in Bavaria, because of dissatisfaction over some of the terms of settlement.

PARIS, March 22.—Eight thousand persons have been killed since the German revolt broke out on March 13, according to figures received here. Of this number 850 were killed in Berlin alone.

Spartacan forces in the Ruhr valley of Germany numbering at least 20,000, and some estimate them at 40,000, according to latest advices received at the foreign office here.

They are well organized, being composed of old shock troops and veterans, supplied with artillery, machine guns and mine throwers, and having batteries of 77 centimeter field guns with plenty of ammunition.

Hardy's Relative Is Head. William Major Berfeld, a relative of Maximilian Harden, is commander of these troops. He is also known as the man who published Prince Lichnowsky's report, blaming the German government for starting the world war, and who also was prominent in the Spartacist troubles at the time of the armistice and also in January, 1918.

Ebert government authorities are concentrating troops and planning to surround the Ruhr valley and force the Spartacists to capitulate. These men, however, are younger and less than the Reds.

The occupation of the Ruhr district by German troops is in direct violation of Articles 42 and 43 of the treaty of Versailles, it was pointed out at the foreign office, which added the comment that this was the first act committed by Germany in violation of the treaty, the other violations being those of omission.

To Consult With Allies. It was indicated that the French government would take no separate action in the circumstances, acting only after consultation with the allies as to what measures were necessary.

Two German officers have been sent by the Ebert government to acquaint the French authorities with the situation in the Ruhr district. These officers are expected to reach Paris this evening.

The foreign office advices regarding the composition of the Red army in the Ruhr region are that it was recruited for the most part among the iron workers and not the miners. The military organization extends also to the civil services, and the postoffice and the telephone lines are in control of the communists.

SPUTTGART, March 22.—Troops from Silesia, are officially reported to have arrived in the district, and fighting with the Spartacan army there is expected tomorrow. Exaggerated rumors as to the size of the Red forces there are current in this city. Some reports place the number at 70,000.

Spring Sure Is Welcome In Eaton: Out of Coal

EATON, O., March 22.—For more reasons than one the spring rains are welcomed by Eaton. Probably they welcome it most because of the fact that coal is not obtainable in the city and has not been the last several days. Dealers haven't a pound of coal, they say, and are unable to get orders filled.

Domestic customers who laid in their usual winter supplies find their bins empty, due to the severe and long drawn-out winter. The natural gas pressure has been behaving nicely and this has greatly relieved the situation.

Richmond Strolls Enmasse, As Sunday Bows in Spring

Half of Richmond was either driving or strolling through the country Sunday, and the other half were wishing they could make it unanimous.

Sunday was the day that Old Sol was to have crossed the "imaginary line that runs around the center of the earth" on his northward journey, and real spring weather was on tap.

How President Wilson Looks Today; Cloak Covers Him



President Wilson, Mrs. Wilson and Admiral Grayson (in uniform) photographed at start of president's daily airing. No pictures had been taken of President Wilson since his break-down last October until a few days ago, when he gave orders to allow the battery of camera men on constant duty about the White House to photograph him as he left on his daily ride with Mrs. Wilson. He has been taking a short auto trip each day since fair weather came. Admiral Cary T. Grayson, his personal physician, accompanies the President and Mrs. Wilson. The usual bevy of secret service men go along. The President wears a cap and a flowing cape. The cape prevents a close scrutiny of his left arm and side, said to have been partially paralyzed early in his illness.

"BLUE" TICKET IS CHOSEN BY T. P. A.

With the exception of one office, the blue ticket made a clean sweep of the annual elections of Post C, of the Traveler's Protective association in the club rooms Saturday night. The only break was the election of A. Gordon of the white ticket as chairman of the railroad committee.

Extensive plans are being laid for next Saturday night when the installation of officers and celebration of the 25th anniversary of the organization in Richmond will take place. Plans are also under way for the launching of a membership drive. A membership of 550 will enable the Post to send four delegates to the national convention at Portland, Ore., in June. The present membership is 510.

Kramer Is President. The newly elected officers, to be installed next Saturday are: C. H. Kramer, president; E. K. Quigg, vice-president; M. L. Hasty, secretary-treasurer; J. P. Higley, T. H. Hill, E. E. Leob, board directors; and J. P. Higley and G. A. Mendenhall, as delegates to the national convention.

M. L. Hasty will also be a delegate his post of secretary-treasurer entitling him to the same. Following are committee chairmen: Employment, O. H. Gable; hotel, G. A. Mendenhall; membership, O. F. McKee; railroad, A. Gordon; sick and relief, C. B. Beck; good roads, B. T. Hill; Press, L. M. Feeger; Legislative, G. P. Freeman; commerce, W. H. Bates; entertainment, C. O. Tooker, and reception, B. C. Bartel.

County Domestic Science Exhibits To Be Started

Domestic science exhibits at school children in Dalton and Harrison townships will be held Friday, Miss Stella Harman county supervisor of science work, said Monday.

The Dalton township exhibition will be held in the Dalton school and the Harrison township work will be displayed at the Jacksonville schoolhouse. Pupils in both schools will give a special committee, relative to the exhibits, said Miss Harman.

Exhibits in the other townships of the county will be held at next week. The best work in the townships, and special work, will be on exhibition at the county exhibit, in the courthouse, the week of April 5.

Price of Vines Leaps; Is Prohibition the Cause?

Although it may not mean anything, the price of grape vines has jumped from 8 to 40 cents each since prohibition went into effect!

One year Concord grape vines are priced at 40 cent, and two year Concord and Niagara grape vines are priced at 50 cent, say county nurserymen.

These prices are about double those of last year, while before prohibition became effective the present 40 cent vines could be purchased for 8 cents. Prices for young fruit trees are in proportion.

In addition to prohibition, the recently passed law prohibiting the importation of grape vines from France and Belgium, and the fact that nurserymen gave more time to raising vegetables during the war than to grape vines, are cited as reasons.

Served in France; Now Wants To Be Sheriff

Ray Keck, who served 19 months in France with the Rainbow division, filed his declaration to seek the nomination for sheriff on the Democratic ticket at the forthcoming primary.

Thomas Ryan, who resides near the Wernle Orphans' home, filed his declaration to ask the Democratic nomination for commissioner of the eastern district.

SCHOOL CHILDREN WORK ON MORE DOLLS FOR NEAR EAST

Work on toys for the children of the Near East is underway in the grade schools, and in Garfield school, preparatory to the sailing of the second "joy ship" the middle of April. Last month the school children made and dressed dolls for their Near East cousins.

President Takes Treaty Again to His Bosom

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Mar. 22.—The official copy of the treaty of Versailles, which President Wilson brought from Paris and personally presented to the senate, and which was returned to the White House Saturday, is again in the president's possession.

No word came from the White House today as to the president's probable course as regards the treaty since the senate has refused four times to ratify it.

U. S. AND ENGLISH NAVIES TO EQUAL

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, March 22.—America's navy will be about equal that of Great Britain in fighting power by 1924, Chairman Butler, of the naval committee told the house today in defending the provision in the naval appropriation bill for continuing work on the 18 capital ships now under construction.

"In the next four years," Mr. Butler said, "the United States will put out the most formidable armada the world has ever seen produced in a similar period."

George Chamberlain Dead Of Acetylene Poisoning

George F. Chamberlain, 40 years old, former hardware dealer in this city, was poisoned by acetylene gas while working on a tractor in his store at Newton, Ind., Saturday. He died soon afterward.

He is survived by his widow and three children. The body was to arrive in Richmond at 4:45 p. m. Monday, and was to be taken to the home of his father-in-law, Thomas J. Bennett, 210 Richmond avenue, from whence funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday. Burial will be in Earlham. Friends may call at any time.

Woodward Will Run for County C. O. P. Chairman

Will Woodward, of Dublin, county chairman of the Republican Central committee, will be a candidate for that position during the next term, according to David Hoover, member of the county council and personal friend of Woodward. In a statement to Hoover, Woodward is said to have denied the report current in the west part of the county that he was not a candidate for the chairmanship.

Baptist Part in Church Drive To Be Discussed

"The Part of the Baptist Church in the Inter-Church World Movement" will be discussed by A. G. Vining, Baptist state director of the movement, at a general meeting of the First Baptist church congregation at 8 p. m. Friday.

He will outline what the Baptist church has accomplished and what remains to be accomplished. He will make the congregation acquainted with the purpose of the coming campaign of the Inter-Church World movement. F. M. Jones is Baptist county director.

Duffin and Kirkpatrick On Shriners' Committee

Charles E. Duffin and Charles Kirkpatrick, both of this city, have been appointed members of the committee on reception and hospitality for the ceremonial session of Shriners in Indianapolis next Friday. W. Kreehand Kendrick, of Philadelphia, the imperial potentate, will be the guest of honor.

William D. Morris, of Liberty, also is a member of the committee.

SENTENCED TO PAY \$1,000 FOR DEFRAUDING U. S.

(By Associated Press) DETROIT, March 22.—Soterios Nicholson, former army captain, convicted with Grant Hugh Browne and Lester Waterbury, of conspiracy to defraud the government in the purchase of ordnance salvage, was sentenced in the United States court today to pay a fine of \$1,000. Browne and Waterbury were sentenced two weeks ago to serve prison terms.

M'CURRIN MURDER SENSATION OF HOUR

(By Associated Press) CORK, March 22.—Thousands of persons assembled back of the city hall today in preparation for the funeral of Thomas M'Currin, lord mayor of Cork, who was shot to death by an unknown assassin early Saturday morning.

Trains brought great crowds to the city this morning and the shops were closed in order to afford the citizens an opportunity of testifying their respect for the late lord mayor.

Many contingents of Republican volunteers came to Cork from various parts of the country to attend the funeral and 1,500 of them assembled in a procession which marched in military formation to the cathedral, carrying wreaths.

(By Associated Press) LONDON, March 22.—Dispatches from MacCurran, lord mayor of Cork, to the other railroad brotherhoods and the national association of Masters, Maters and Pilots, was signed in Washington last week, John H. Pruett, president of marine workers, announced here today.

Mr. Pruett explained the agreement provides "for unity in action of all railroad unions employed in transportation, in any policy concerning the welfare of the 17 railway brotherhoods and obligates workers on railway boats, tugs and ferries, who are members of the national association of Masters, Maters and Pilots, to support the brotherhoods."

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Student Council Reduced by H. S. Constitution Change

By a vote of 620 for and 135 against pupils of the Richmond high school Monday adopted a new constitution for the student council, the official body of the school.

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GERMANS TO FIGHT PEACE TREATY WITH BARRAGE OF WORDS

(By Associated Press) PARIS, March 22.—Germans are preparing a formidable world propaganda in favor of a revision of the Versailles treaty and the holding of a new international conference at which vanquished nations might be represented for the object of changing or eliminating many clauses of the present treaty between the allied nations and Germany, according to a Geneva dispatch.

A book entitled "The Greatest Crime of Humanity," has been prepared and 10 million copies printed for free distribution in America, England and France, and it is said that millions of other pamphlets along the same line will follow.

Revolt Halted Movement. The reactionary revolt in Berlin on March 13 put a temporary stop to the movement, it is said.

Captain Andre Tardieu, one of the French delegates to the peace conference, has written an article which appeared in last week's edition of "L'Illustration," in which he declared himself as being opposed to any revision of the treaty.

"Let us first help our allies," he wrote, "and we will find this to be better than to dream of a movement in favor of benevolence to our vanquished enemies, which instead of inspiring gratitude, fosters arrogance."

COUNCIL TO DISCUSS LIGHT CO.'S ISSUE

City council will be called Wednesday, at 7:30 p. m., to act on the proposed bond issue for additional equipment for the city light plant, as the result of action by the board of works Monday.

At that time board members said, City Attorney Robbins will have an ordinance ready for presentation to the council as a committee of the whole, with city officials and manufacturers to discuss the bond issue, said that nothing could be accomplished by a meeting of that nature, and that an extra session to act on the issue was needed.

"It is imperative that action be taken on the bond issue as soon as possible," said a city official.

R. R. MEN AND SEA EMPLOYES COMBINE

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, March 22.—An agreement in the nature of "defensive and offensive alliance" between the Big Four and the other railroad brotherhoods and the national association of Masters, Maters and Pilots, was signed in Washington last week, John H. Pruett, president of marine workers, announced here today.

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Hears From Spirits



Mrs. Reginald de Koven.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Messages which Mrs. Reginald de Koven believes were received by her from the spirits of her relatives and friends and are proof of spirit communication are recorded in her book, "A Cloud of Witnesses," published recently. They give more than the customary information as to how people live and what they do on the "other side."

Mrs. de Koven is the author of several books, including a "Life of John Paul Jones." She is a graduate of Lake Forest University. Her husband, the composer of "Robin Hood" and "Tip Van Winkle," died Jan. 16, in Chicago. Most of the messages are supposed to be from a beautiful and talented sister of Mrs. de Koven, who died in the spring of 1918.

HARRY RAY POST TO DRIVE FOR MEMBERS

Plans for an intensive membership campaign, through which it is intended to enroll every former service man in the city in Harry Ray post, American Legion, will be made at a meeting of the post to be held Wednesday at 7:30 p. m., in the Commercial club rooms.

Under the plans proposed by the executive committee, the city will be divided according to political boundaries, and every precinct and ward will be thoroughly canvassed. Active members of the post number approximately 200, and the mark set by the committee will include 100 per cent of the city's service men.

Action on the Women's auxiliary will also be taken at Wednesday night's meeting. Officers of the service star legion have agreed to take up a charter in the auxiliary, and their petition for a charter will be turned over to the post for action before Wednesday.

Frelinghuysen Would Issue U. S. Bonds to Replace First Liberties

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, March 22.—Senator Frelinghuysen, Republican of New Jersey, today introduced a bill authorizing the secretary of the treasury to issue not to exceed \$30,000,000 worth of bonds to be exchanged for Liberty bonds of the first, second, third and fourth issues, at the option of the holders of the Liberty bonds.

The proposed issue would bear interest at 3 1/2 percent, would be payable within 50 years, and would be exempt from all national, state and local taxes, except estate and inheritance taxes.

Included in the bill is a provision for establishing a sinking fund to redeem the issue at or before maturity. The senator said the measure was intended as a start toward liquidating the nation's war debt.

Processional Features 40 Hours' Devotion

Processional of 200 school children dressed in white and altar boys carrying tapers, and followed by the clergy bearing the Monstrance with a solid cloth canopy, featured the close of the 40 hour devotion in St. Andrew's church Sunday night.

The Rev. Bernard Enis, member of the Dominican order, delivered the closing sermon on "The Necessity of Faith." The Rev. Enis spoke throughout the devotion.

Weather Forecast

For Indiana, by the United States Weather Bureau—Fair and warmer tonight; Tuesday increasing cloudiness; probably with rain in extreme west portion.

Yesterday. Maximum 54 Minimum 25

Today. Maximum 60 Minimum 25

For Wayne County, by W. E. Moore—Fair tonight; rain probably arriving late Tuesday afternoon or night and continuing Wednesday.

General Conditions—Generally fair weather with spring temperature now prevailing over the Mississippi valley. A storm is crossing the Rocky Mountains and the wind will increase to brisk and probably strong velocities during the next 36 hours, with increasing cloudiness Tuesday followed by rain. Severe cold weather is now prevailing over Alaska, where it has been mild, with temperatures dropping as far as 40 degrees below zero in the Yukon valley. The weather will continue mild for the next 36 hours and possibly longer.

ANTI-BRITISH ADVICE WAS FROM BENSON

Shipping Board Member, Then Chief of Naval Operations, Delivered Famous Admonition, Says Sims.

WASN'T FORMALLY SAID

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, March 22.—Rear Admiral William S. Benson, then chief of naval operations, was the official who told Rear Admiral Sims "Not to let the British pull the wool over your eyes; we would as soon fight them as the Germans," Admiral Sims testified today before the senate committee, investigating the navy's conduct during the war.

Admiral Sims said the remark was made just after he had received his final instructions from Secretary Daniels, preparatory to his departure for England on the eve of the entry of the United States into the war.

He added, however, that it was not made in the course of formal instructions, but during a conversation in the office of Rear Admiral Palmer, chief of the bureau of navigation.

Cross examination of Rear Admiral Sims was expected to take two days. The committee had a long list of naval officers, headed by Captain Horace Lanning to be called to testify afterward.

Secretary Daniels and officers who were responsible for administration of the navy during the war, will appear last, Rear Admiral Benson, who was head of naval operations during the war, and recently nominated to be a member of the shipping board, was expected to testify at length in justification of the policies adopted by his bureau, against which most of Admiral Sims' criticism was directed.

New Superintendents House Ordered for T. B. Hospital; Enlargement Is Planned

Advertisement for bids for the erection of a new superintendent's cottage at the county tuberculosis farm was ordered by the county commissioners Saturday afternoon, following a conference with the board of trustees of the hospital.

It is the plan of the commissioners to have the large home, which is now used as the superintendent's residence and the tuberculosis hospital both, devoted exclusively to the tuberculosis patients.

When the proposed cottage is built for the superintendent the commissioners plan to adopt enlargement and improvement plans for the present hospital.

Poland Still Discusses Terms of Red Peace

(By Associated Press) WARSAW, March 22.—A week or more may elapse before Poland's terms of peace are sent by wireless to the Bolshevik government in Moscow. The principal points of the terms have been laid before Premier Lloyd George and Millerand of Great Britain and France respectively, and conference of the British, French and Polish representatives of the Baltic states are continuing here.

One feature of the terms is being discussed with considerable interest here. Poland demanded the right to supervise the destiny of provinces situated west of her eastern frontier, as it stood 12 years ago, and asks that the future status of these provinces be determined by the people themselves. It has been suggested that this section of the terms might be interpreted as concealing imperialistic aims.

Woman is Nominated for Civil Service Commission

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, March 22.—Helen Hamilton Gardner, of this city, widow of Col. S. A. Day, author and lecturer, was nominated today by President Wilson to be a member of the Civil Service commission.

She will succeed Charles M. Galloway, of Columbia, S. C., who was "ousted" from the commission last year after the president had determined to reorganize it.

Mrs. Gardner, who is the first woman to be appointed to the commission, was born in Winchester, Va., 62 years ago, and has been prominent in suffrage work for a number of years. She also is the author of many short stories and essays.

With her appointment, the reorganization of the commission is complete, the other members being Martin A. Morrison, of Indiana, and George P. Wales, of Vermont.

ACTOR AND ACTRESS ARE MARRIED HERE

Peter Boucher and Florida Jane Barrington, who are appearing at the Murray theatre this week, were married Monday morning by the Rev. J. J. Rader. Boucher's home is Syracuse, N. Y. Mrs. Boucher is the daughter of Edward Barrington, of this city.

MILITARY FUNERAL HELD FOR SERGEANT BLUE

Military funeral services for Sergeant Clarence Blue, who was killed in the Friends church at Centerville at 2 p. m. Monday. A firing squad accompanied the body to the grave. The Rev. Marie Cassel officiated.

BOLIVIAN MOB RISES AGAINST PERUVIANS

(By Associated Press) LIMA, Peru, March 22.—There was a great demonstration here against Peru. The escutcheon of the Peruvian consulate was dragged through the streets.