

**RUMANIANS GET AMERICAN FOOD**

**7000 Tons of Flour Arrives—Allies Restore Grain Germans Stole**

**U. S. TO GUARD TRAINS**

**Shipments Must Pass Through Regions That Also Are Short of Supplies**

Paris, Feb. 5.—The American food administration gives out the following statement relative to the relief of Rumania and other countries:

"The American steamship Western Plain has arrived at a Rumanian port with seven thousand tons of American flour for the relief of the Rumanian population, who have suffered an almost total failure of their crops. Even from these poor crops Germany requisitioned a large quantity of grain and transported it to Germany.

"One hundred thousand tons of this grain was found in barges on the Danube when the Allies entered Rumania and was restored to the owners.

"In accordance with promises made to the Czechoslovak Government, the United States relief administration has delivered to it 5000 tons of flour at Trieste, which is being transported by Czechoslovak trains to Prague. There has also been placed at the disposition of the Czechoslovak relief committee 10,000 tons of flour.

Additional quantities are available for them at that point as fast as transportation can be arranged.

"The difficulty of transportation is accentuated by the fact that all trains from Trieste to Bohemia must pass through Italy and Jugo-Slav and Austria territory, and it has been necessary to make arrangements with these other people to insure safe transit. Since these territories are extremely short of food themselves and have very little surplus, it is necessary to make arrangements to accompany the trains as guards.

"The supreme council of supply and relief has established an inter-allied commission composed of one representative from each of the American, British, French and Italian governments to control the transportation and distribution of food from the port of Trieste to the interior. Railroad communication to the principal part of the Czechoslovak territory is being restored by the Jugo-Slav territory will be handled from that point.

"Captain Thomas C. Gregory, of San Francisco, is the American representative and member of the inter-allied commission. He is accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel W. B. Causey, of Chicago; Major George E. Burke, Swampscott, Mass.; Major Harold B. Ferguson, Los Angeles, Cal.; Lieutenant Emory Pottle, New York; Lieutenant Theodore B. Marker, Lansford, Pa.; Sergeant O. H. Cash, of Whittier, Cal.; Corporal Paul B. Benis, San Francisco, and Prof. Lincoln Hutchinson, of the University of California, who will represent the American relief administration at Prague.

Coblenz, Feb. 5.—(By A. P.)—The determination of the Allies to assist the people in the German-occupied area to conserve the rapidly diminishing food supply has resulted in a big reduction in requests for leaves of absence. Orders were given today forbidding American soldiers to go to Cologne, in the British sector, unless they return the same day. It was suggested that the Americans going to Cologne should take food with them. The British authorities have announced that the crowded conditions in their area makes billeting almost impossible.

The latest protest court records reflect the chances the residents in the American area are taking to procure foodstuffs. The records show that in fifty-eight cases where persons were proved guilty of "having in their possession property of the United States," his was mostly food traded them by soldiers.

**LENINE CALLS FOLLOWERS TO ALL-RED PARLEY**

**Exhorts Bolsheviks to Convoke Communist Conference Eclipsing Paris and Berne**

Stockholm, Feb. 5.—(By A. P.)—An exhortation from Premier Lenine addressed to all Bolshevik committees in Germany, Austria, Poland, the Baltic provinces and Finland, to convoke a communist conference intended to eclipse both the Peace Conference at Paris and the Socialist conference at Berne, is published by the Petrograd newspapers. Lenine declares that the Bolsheviks alone will have the right to take the initiative at the proposed conference.

Helsingfors, Feb. 5.—A decree issued by the Central Soviet of Moscow has called to the colors all men between the ages of twenty-nine and forty-five years. The men will be ordered to prepare the war in case the proposed conference on the island of Prinkipo fails.

Paris, Feb. 5.—(By A. P.)—Polish representatives here have received reports to the effect that a delegation sent by the military authorities of the German army occupying parts of Lithuania and Estonia to the Russian soviet government has signed an agreement by which the Bolsheviks will transport German troops from Ukraine over the Brinnak-Kovno railroad which is under Polish control.

A soldiers' council with Herr Werle, Spartacist leader, at its head, controls the tenth German army, which is occupying Grodno and Kovno. It is reported that the Bolsheviks will transport staff officers of this army to all Bolsheviks.

**NORWEGIAN CABINET RESIGNS**

**Defeated in Parliament, the Knudsen Government Quits Office**

Christiania, Feb. 5.—The Norwegian cabinet, headed by Gunnar Knudsen, has resigned. The reason given is that Knudsen's party has been defeated in Parliament. The resignation has been accepted by the King, and speculation as to the new ministry includes the possibility that H. H. Bryn, Norwegian minister at Washington, will be named foreign minister. The cabinet, headed by Gunnar Knudsen, was formed on January 29, 1918. It had a rather stormy career, its persistence being, for the most part, changed here and there. The cabinet weathered a severe storm in November, 1917, when a resolution designed to force its resignation was brought before the Norwegian Parliament. It charged Knudsen in handling the food situation and failure to yield to the request of the United States to place the nation on a food allowance.

**CHINESE RED DICTATOR SLAIN**

**Dianyo Richoman Murdered as He Speaks Doctrine at Stockholm**

Stockholm, Feb. 5.—(By A. P.)—Dianyo Richoman, head of Chinese Bolshevik propaganda in the Far East and the president of the Chinese section of the Communist party, has been murdered by an unidentified person, according to a dispatch from Petrograd. He was shot down as he began a public speech. The murder, it is added, is expected to have important consequences. Richoman exercised an absolute dictatorship over the Chinese living in Russia, and recently ordered three consuls living near Petrograd to be tortured and shot.

**LUXEMBURG MAY VOTE ON REPUBLIC**

**Luxemburg Council Introduces Bill Providing for Referendum**

Luxemburg, Feb. 5.—(By A. P.)—The Council of the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg has introduced in the Chamber of Deputies a bill providing for a referendum to decide whether the people of the Grand Duchy wish to change the form of its government to that of a republic. A proposal to have the plebiscite determined also if Luxemburg wishes to be politically annexed to France or Belgium was stricken from the measure as premature.

**Ends His Life Under Trolley Car**

York, Pa., Feb. 5.—Charles Hildebrand, fifty years old, a Red Lion cigar-maker, threw himself across trolley track near Ballastown, late last night, and was instantly killed by a car.

**NO INTERVENTION IN BRITISH STRIKE**

**Ministry of Labor Declares Government Interference Not Justified**

**CIVIC GUARD PROPOSED**

**Plan Submitted to London Authorities to Maintain Public Service**

By the Associated Press  
London, Feb. 5.—The Ministry of Labor has declined to intervene in the British strikes, declaring that it concurs in the view of the government that present circumstances do not justify intervention. Plans for the formation of a civic guard to maintain and protect public services have been submitted to the authorities, according to the Mail, which says that a similar plan has been successfully employed in Switzerland, the Netherlands and Austria. The newspaper states that should the actions of the strikers warrant such a course the citizens may be asked to form a guard to maintain transport, lighting and food supply services and also to guard power stations, four mills and important factories.

**Ministerial Announcement**

A statement has been issued by the Ministry of Labor in reference to demands made by unofficial conferences of London members of the engineering and electrical trades unions. These demands included governmental intervention during the last decade, but it was the duty of the Socialist to establish the immediate causes. The resolution says that the causes of the war were the Austrian ultimatum to Serbia, the general mobilization in Russia and Ger-

**FOE'S SOCIALISTS SHIFT WAR GUILT**

**Germans at Berne Seek to Have Other Nations Share Blame**

**EISNER RAPS PRUSSIAN**

**International Committee Will Investigate Causes of Hostilities**

By the Associated Press  
Berne, Feb. 5.—Responsibility for the great war will be investigated by a commission appointed by the Socialist conference, in session here. This commission will be made of two British, two French, one Hungarian, one Austrian and two German delegates, with President Hjalmar Branting acting as a member. The personnel of this commission has not been announced. It was declared by speakers "that the prime object of the conference was to influence the Peace Conference at Paris." This statement was made by Peter J. Troelstra, the Dutch Socialist leader, and one of the British delegates. The German majority Socialists, in opposition to the resolution introduced by Albert Thomas, French Socialist, calling for investigation of responsibility for the war, introduced a resolution to the effect that the war had been the consequence of the imperialist policy during the last decade, but it was the duty of the Socialist to establish the immediate causes. The resolution says that the causes of the war were the Austrian ultimatum to Serbia, the general mobilization in Russia and Ger-

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**AUSTRIANS LOOT SHOPS**

**Maddened by Hunger, Thousands Pillage Linz Food Stores**

London, Feb. 5.—(By A. P.)—Thousands of persons in the district of Linz, capital of upper Austria, have been plundering the foodshops and committing other depredations, according to reports from Linz transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Vienna. The people, the reports said, had become maddened by hunger. The advice added the disorders had not yet been suppressed.

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**Want Fewer Licenses in Berks**

**Reading, Pa., Feb. 5.—Exactly 405 applicants, a falling off of twenty-three, are listed in the office of Quarter Sessions Clerk William M. Dunkelberger here for liquor licenses of all kinds for 1918. The previous total was 428, but some very well-known landlords have decided to get out of the business for good, without waiting for prohibition to come. There are six new applicants.**

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