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mously of the opinion that to declare Monday of each week a legal holiday to save coal such action seriously would hamper business. Secretary of Labor Wilson appoints

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The Board of Aldermen of New York city authorized Mayor Hylan to seize surplus coal wherever found and

Six navy seamen were killed when a foremast on the battleship Michigan

up legislation for an early adjourn-

fore the house recessed in Washington to attend the funeral of Major Gardner urged that a torpedo boat destroyer be named in honor of the late mem-

The collapse of an airplane equipped with one of the new Liberty motors 200 feet above the ground on Hempstead Plain, Long Island, kills Harold Blakeley and Edward Higgins. aviation instructors, in the machine's

Bankers and merchants are unani-

Frederick L. Small, formerly a Bolton broker, was hanged at the state prison at Concord, N. H., for the murder of his wife, Florence Arleen Small, at their home in Ossipee in September,

Lewis R. Whisler, an army captain, ends his life after being identified as the robber who killed four men with ap axe in the cantonment bank at Camp Funston, Kan.

German-American War

Mr. McAdoo commandeered 700 locomotives now in the course of construction for use on eastern lines and hoped to obtain locomotives being built for foreign countries. Hudson Maxim explained to the sen-

ate ship investigators his scheme to make vessels "torpedo proof" by neutralizing explosions. Major William Thaw has been

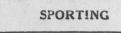
awarded the special war medal of the Aero Club of America for his achievements in aerial warfare. Maj. Augustus P. Gardner, formerly

representative in Congress from Massachusetts and apostle of preparedness, died in Camp Avheeler of pneu-monia. He was fifty-two years old and son-in-law of Senator Lodge.

Secretary Paker comes out flatly ippointment of a secreagainst the tary of mu itions, characterizing it as 'impossi

n Spencer Churchill, minis-Win munitions, urges America to ter c troops to the front to shorten the torment by increasing the pace. John Purroy Mitchel, formerly may-

or of New York, was commissioned a major in the Aviation Corps of the United States army.



The opposition to the draft of a New York boxing bill by Marty McCue comes entirely from the promoters of the small clubs.

Louis A. Servatius, veteran amateur billiard player, defeated in New York city Joseph A. Dalton in the tournaaces of the war ment for the National Class C 18.2



Loaded With Supplies for General Pershing.

## IS A NECESSITY OF WAF.

Objects Are to Put Coal in Homes Fili Bunkers of Supply Ships and speed Up Work in Munition Factories.

Washington. - President Wilso backed up the Garfield order closin down the industry of the naticth-T of the Mississippi for five dayed K. R declaring ten Monday holidays. which theaters, barrooms, office stores are to be cut off from the of fuel.

The President stood pat in the f of the action of the senate, which, by a vote of 50 to 19, had adopted a reso lution requesting Doctor Garfield to suspend the coal order for five days in order that protests might be heard. It can be stated authoritatively that

President Wilson is satisfied that the orde: suspending certain forms of industrial enterprises is right and prop er. He believes it will be effective in correcting conditions that, left untouched, would work a national calame ity. He is standing squarely behind action of the fuel administrator, which was taken only after an ex-) tended conference participated in by the President, Doctor Garfield, Secretary of War Baker and Secretary of the Navy Daniels. He believes that three great objectives will be achiev-

ed First, that the population of the eastern sections will be kept warm and given the means of cooking their food.

Second, that the hundreds of ships now awaiting coal will be enabled to carry their supplies to American forces and America's friends abroad. Third, that industries directly affecting war preparations will be

enabled to proceed under full steam, as all the important ones in this class are specially exempted from the operations of the act

The administration's attitude may be defined as regarding the order as a check up on the use of coal by non-essential industries, which action had been advocated for some time. The difference is a difference of de-gree and not of principle, in the view of the President's advisers. Instead of specifically singling out industries that are not to be coaled, the terms of the order indicate those which are

to be given a full allotment. In other words, the terms are stated positively instead of negatively. The administration gave considera-

tion to these points in issuing the order That the President stands behind

it unqualifiedly. That it is an act necessitated by war and as such it will be accepted out bickering.

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J. P. MORGAN Head of N. Y. City Banking Firm Says War Measure is Mecessary.



J. P. Morgan & Co. have issued the following statement: "The administration, with all the facts before it, has decided that this is the best way of meeting a sitthat this is the best way of meeting a sit-uation which with rapidly becoming a se-rious menace to all the work of the coun-try, and therefore to the successful carry-ing on of the war. The only right course, therefore, is for all the people to co-oper-tic to the successful carbon polity to wake ate to the extent of their ability to make the measure effective."

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### SPORRMAN, GERMAN CAPTAIN, ABOUT TO BLOW UP MAGAZINE.

Incriminating Letters Connect Him With Plots .- aunched by Cap. tain Boy-Ed.

Norfolk, Va .- Held on the technical charge of trespassing on government property and with .eing an enemy alien, Walter Sporrman, a lieutenant in the German navy, was taken to Washington, where he will be confronted with evidence that, government agents assert, will prove he is the most dangerous spy in the country. Sporrman was arrested near the government aviation field at Hampton by an agent of the Naval Intelligence Bureau, who had been on his trail for two weeks.

Sporrman is believed to have seen landed in this country from the German submarine U-53, which touched at Newport months ago. His uniform of a German lieutenant, together with other military equipment, was found in his apartment in Baltimore.

Sporrman is accused of having attempted to blow up the government magazine at the Hampton aviation base. He was fired on b. grards, but was not hit.

Te be near the base Sporrman obtained a position as timekceper with a government contractor engaged in construction work at Newport News. He was assigned to duty near the aviation field. On the light of January 1, about eight o'clock, Sporrman struck a match near the magazine at the aviation field. He was in an isolated spot, but was challenged by a sentry. He failed to answer, and the guard opened fire. Sporrman escaped,



No Plant Allowed to Operate Even if It Has Coal on Hand.

Washington .- For five days, beginning Friday, every industry in the United States east of the Mississippi river, including even the war industries, must close down. The states of Minnesota and Louisiana are included. The text of the order closing down industries for five days, beginning Friday and on Monday thereafter until March 25, inclusive, is as follows:

Until further orders of the United States fuel administrator all persons selling fuel in whatever capacity shall give preference to orders for necessary requirements:

(A) Of railroads.

(B.) Of domestic consumers, hospitals, charitable institutions and army and navy cantonments.

(C.) Public vtilities, telephones and telegraph plants.

(D.) Of ships and vessels for bunker ourposes

(E.) Of the United States for strictly governmental purposes, not including orders from or for factories or plants working on contracts for the United States.

(F) Of municipal, county or state governments for necessary public uses. (G) Of manufacturers of perishable food or food for necessary immediate

consumption. The order further provides that on January 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of 1918, no fuel shall be delivered to any person, firm, association or corporation for any uses or requirements not included in the foregoing list until the requirements included in the list shall have been first delivered.

On January 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of 1918 and also on each and every Monday beginning January 28, 1918, and continuing up to and including March 25, 1918, no manufacturing plant shall burn fuel or use power derived from fuel for any purpose except:

(A) Such plants as from their nature must be continuously operated seven days each week to avoid serious injury to the plant itself or its contents

(B) Manufacturers of perishable food.

(C) Manufacturers of food not per ishable and not immediately in demand who may burn fuel to such extent as is authorized by the fuel administrator of the state in which such plant is located or by his representative authorized therefor, upon application by the United States fuel administrator.

(D) Printers or publishers of daily papers may burn fuel as usual excepting on every Monday from January 21 to March 25, 1918, inclusive, on which days they may burn fuel to such extent as is necessary to issue such editions as such papers customarily issue on important national legal holidays, and where such papers do not issue any editions on a holiday they are permitted to issue one edition on the said Mondays. (E) Printing establishments may burn fuel on January 18, 19, 20 and 22 to such extent as is necessary to issue current numbers of magazines and other publications periodically issued. On each Monday, beginning January POISONOUS POLLEN FOR CROPS. 21, 1918, and continuing up to and including Monday, March 25, 1918, no fuel shall be burned (except to such extent as is essential to prevent injury to property from freezing) for the purpose of supplying heat for-



LADY ENID VANE

Member of British Nobi

Devotes Time to War We

Lady Enid Vane, wife of Major Henry Carroll Vane of the Yorkshire Hussars, heir of the ninth Baron Barnard, was formerly Lady Enid Victoria Fane, daughter of the Earl of Westmoreland. She has been devoting practically all of her time to war relief duties, and she has ac-complished a great deal of good. Lady End is one of the most beautiful ladies in the Device a Witer and the ladies of the beautiful ladies in the British nobility.

## GERMAN TURMOIL OVER PEACE

GREATEST SHAKEUP SINCE BIS-MARCK'S DAY EXPECTED.

Kaiser and His Generals Haunted by Fear Bolsheviki Will Corrupt the Army.

Amsterdam.-Germany's internal political crisis is fast approaching its end. Any moment may bring the greatest governmental shakeup the empire has known since the days of Bismarck.

Count von Hertling, the imperial chancellor, and Dr. von Kuehlmann were considered in Berlin virtually out of office, the only question being who would succeed them.

Everything points to a ruthless aunexationist stampede upon the responsible official positions of the empire. Every man in the government who does not unqualifiedly adhere to the gospel of a "strong peace," a "general peace," is to be hit by the militarist ax, and a militarist will step up to take his place.

The Kaiser, his generals and those of his advisers, who swear by annexation and even indemnities, are haunted, it is said, by the fear that a backdown before the Russians now will open the empire's eastern gates to a tide of terrorism, that it would be a matter of weeks, perhaps of days, before Bolshevikism would undermine the army and navy and re-enact the story of the Russian revolution in Germany.

ghly in the grip of that fear the Kaiser and many of his advisers hitherto leaning to the moderate cause have been definitely converted, it is said, to the Hindenburg-Ludendorff doctrine of "blood and iron," and the fate of the crown itself is at stake. The decision has been reached, therefore, it is reported, to defy the Reichstag's majority, come out openly for the gospel of "might is right" and to enforce it if necessary by a military dictatorship.

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Ultimus, twelve-year-old stallion, brought \$26,000 at dispersal sale of the Wickliffe stud at Lexington, Ky. Grover Alexander, who, with Wil-

liam Killifer, was bought by the Cubs for \$50,000, has been drafted. Pete Johns, second baseman of the

Columbus American Association Club, has been purchased by the St. Louis Americans. The transfer makes prob-

able the release of Dal Pratt to some other club before the 1918 season opens. Johnny Dundee was awarded a ref-

eree's decision over Pal Moran at New Orleans at the conclusion of their 20 round tight. The Ingenue successfully defended

the New Jersey state iceboat championship with a second straight victory over the Princeton.

Rube Marquard signed a Brooklyn baseball contract for 1918. He is the first to sign. Arthur Fletcher, veteran shortston

of the New York Giants, was appointed captain of the club, succeeding Charles, Herzog, recently traded to Boston.

## FOREIGN

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Papers discovered in Italy showed that Caillaux, under arrest as a traitor, was scheming to establish a dictatorship in France after arresting the President and dissolving the chamber of deputies.

Premier Lenine of Russia was fired upon four times by an assassin in Petrograd, but was not wounded. A companion with him in the auto in which they were riding was shot in the hand.

The British are prepared for the big German offensive that is known to be in preparation on the western front and say, despite all the resources of the Huns, the allies, rith American

help, will stop the drive. Germany has sent to America a ship

ment of powerful poisonous pollen to be used to kill the wheat crop. The American troops in France are

experiencing the worst weather since they have arrived abroad.

German reports state that allied airmen caught distributing copies of President Wilson's speech will not be shot as spies.

That and favorably affect our war preparations.

That it will save the people from hardships; coal and food ships for France; give fuel to needed industries, and, of first importance, clear the railroad congestion.

That a careful examination of the act will show it to operate only against enterprises which in time of necessity can most readily be spared:

That by increasing production it will bring about a great synchro-nization between production and distribution, which has been interfered with by the blocking of the railroads and the ships.

And, finally, that the order is irrevocable.

## PITH OF THE WAR NEWS

Austrians were seriously defeated east of Capo Sile, losing many prisoners to the Italians and the ground being covered with their dead. he central powers have again refused to quit occupied Russian territory, but will make another effort to reach

a compromise with the Bosheviki. Thirty of the 75 Zeppelins built during the war were reported to have been destroyed, and few were said to be now in active service.

Another mutiny has occurred among the Kaiser's naval forces. Crews of submarines at Kiel are said to have revolted and killed) 38 officers.

Secretary Lansing has published dispatches sent by Count von Bernstorff to Berlin showing very damaging references to the French government made by Joseph Caillaux and advising that he be treated with courtesy by Germans if captured.

Sinkings of British vessels by mines and submarines last week showed a marked decrease, only ten vessels of all kinds being lost, six of which were merchantmen of 1,600 tons or more. German soldiers play dead and are captured by French. "Hello, Jim!" calls one captive to an American of-

ficer whom he knew in Boston.

was not identified and returned to work next day.

Sporrman's established headquarters were in Baltimore, and a search of his rooms has revealed papers showing that he had been operating a campaign of sabotage under the direction of Count von Bernstorff when the latter was German ambassador to Washington and that he had received as much as \$90,000 at one time from the German embassy before the United States declared war.

#### California Defense Council Tells of New German Plot.

San Francisco. - Germany's latest attempt to destroy the wheat crop of California and other states has taken the form of shipment to this country of poisonous pollen to be distributed by German agents here in such a manner as to kill the entire output of the state of California.

A bulletin issued by the State Council of Defense makes this announcement.

## FOR POSTAL WAGE INCREASE.

Bill Soon to Be Reported Favorably, Chairman Moon Says.

Washington. — A bill providing for salary increase of approximately 15 per cent. for all letter carriers, post office clerks, railway mail clerks and other post office employees will be favorably repirted in the house, according to Chairman Moon of House Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads. An effort will be made to date the increases back to July 1, 1917, to make them apply to whole fiscal year 1918.

#### TO LICENSE FISH MEN FEB. 15.

#### Administration Determined to Bring Down Prices.

Washington.-The United States food administration will not let the price of fish stay up. It is going to bring sea food prices down through a system of licenses.

This, it was explained, is one purpose of the President's latest food proclamation. Under it all salt water fishermen and distributors, after February 15, will be required to operate under food administration licer

(A.) Any business or professional offices, except offices used by the United States, state, county or municipal governments, transportation companies or which are occupied by banks and trust companies or by physicians or dentists.

(B.) Wholesale or retail stores or any other stores, business houses or buildings whatever, except that for the purpose of selling foods only, for which purposes stores may maintain necessary heat until 12 o'clock noon, and for the purpose of selling drugs and medicinal supplies only, stores may maintain necessary heat throughout the day and evening.

(C.) Theaters, moving picture houses, oowling alleys, billiard rooms, private or public dance halls or any other place of amusement.

On the above specified Mondays no fuel shall be burned for the purpose of heating rooms or buildings in which liquor is sold on these days.

# WORLD'S NEWS IN

WASHINGTON. - Secretary Baker has advised the Senate Military Committee the war department favors discharging from draft liability men who have passed the age of thirty-one since registering on June 5, 1917, and without having been called to the colors.

BIG ICE FAMINE NEXT SUMMER!

Food Administration Warns It Will

Equal Coal Crisis. Washington. — The present widespread fuel shortage will be paralleled by an equally acute shortage of ice next summer unless every community immediately makes provision for cutting and storing ice. Great demands for ammonia by the army and navy, with the prospect that railroads will be bearing the greatest burden of their history next summer, will cut down production and delivery of ice.

SUGAR \$5 A POUND IN GERMANY.

Deserter Tells Greeks Mutinies Are Frequent in Kaiser's Army.

Washington. - Bread is selling at \$2.50 a pound and sugar at five pounds for \$25 in Germany, says a German aviator who deserted recently.

Questioned by military authorities at Athens, the aviator declared the morale of the German army was declinging daily. "Mutinies and threats against officers are frequent occur rences," he said, "and soldiers are d serting by the hundreds."

### O. K. BOYCOTT OF GERMAN TRADE

Congressmen Approve Referendum of United States Commerce Chamber.

Washington .- The referendum of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States for blacklisting German commerce unless the German government becomes a responsible instrument of the people after the war strikes a responsive chord in Congress. While some members are reluctant to discuss the situation, others are outspoken that Germany fears commercial defeat worse than she does military defeat.

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