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HUN STRIKERS THREATENED TO BE SHOT

LITTLE NEWS COMES FROM BERLIN---FOOD HOGS THREATENED FOR HOARDING

REPRESSIVE MEASURES IN BERLIN TO SCARE STRIKERS

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT MADE THAT TROOPS WILL SHOOT TO KILL AND NO DISTINCTION MADE BETWEEN THE STRIKERS AND OTHERS—PUBLIC MEETINGS ALL BANNED NEWS SUPPRESSED

(Special to The Daily News.)
Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—Germany is ready to "shoot to kill" as a final desperate means of putting down the general strike. "No distinction will be made between strikers and others," it was officially announced today in Berlin. All public meetings throughout Germany have been banned today by order of the superior command in an effort to suppress the gen-

eral strike, which is still in effect throughout the country.
Newspapers Suppressed.
London, Feb. 2.—Little fresh information of the strike movement in Germany has come through today, and virtually all the news in the morning papers had been delayed in transmission. None of the Berlin newspapers of Wednesday have arrived in Amsterdam, and several of them have been unable to issue owing to the strike of their employees.

LORD LANSDOWNE AGREES WITH ALLIES' WAR AIMS

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, Feb. 2.—The Marquis of Lansdowne, in an address today, said he concurred entirely with the recent speeches of Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson upon the war aims and peace aims of the allies.

"I believe all of us are ready to prolong this war, terrible as it is, until we get a clean peace," said the leader of the opposition in the House of Lords.

EDMONTON FIRE DEPT. PROTEST BY STRIKING

(Special to The Daily News.)
Edmonton, Feb. 2.—Practically the entire force of the city fire department removed their uniforms and declared a strike today when the city violated its agreement, and appointed a fire chief from the outside, instead of recognizing seniority of service.

FISHING ARRIVALS

The halibut fishing boat Pacific was the only arrival in port today. She brought in 23,000 lbs. Her skipper reports very rough weather prevailing outside. Last night in making Dixon's Entrance, it took the Pacific nine hours to make seven miles, so strong was the gale. Her catch will be sold tomorrow.

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Mr. J. A. Heaman, engineer for the G. T. P., and Mr. L. V. Druce, divisional traffic agent at Edmonton, who have been in the city for the past few days, left again for Edmonton this morning.

Mr. George Clothier, provincial mining engineer for this district, sailed this morning for Victoria on departmental business.

Mike Kelly was again up before the police Magistrate this morning on account of his failure to furnish bondsmen for his good behavior. He was given until Tuesday to furnish bonds for \$200.

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COMEDY

ALPHONSO WILL PROTEST TO EMPEROR WILHELM

(Special to The Daily News.)
Madrid, Feb. 2.—The Spanish steamer Giralda was sunk by a German submarine on January 26, after the crew of the U-boat had pillaged the vessel. The crew were saved.

The cabinet met today, under the presidency of King Alphonso, and decided to send a strong protest to Germany. Reparation will be demanded for Spain for the sinking of the vessel. The note will be telegraphed direct to the Spanish ambassador at Berlin.

GERMAN OFFICERS IN U. S. GET SAME TREATMENT

Washington, Jan. 31.—Germany has failed to reply to the proposal of the United States that German command officers held prisoner here receive the pay of their grade in return for similar privileges being accorded American officers held in Germany, so the war department today cut off the payments which were being made to Germans.

SERIOUS FOOD RIOTS THROUGHOUT POLAND

Washington, Jan. 31.—Food riots in the city of Cracow, Poland, have become so serious, said an official dispatch today from Switzerland, that the authorities have appealed to the Austrian prime minister for aid in quieting the disturbances. Martial law has been proclaimed and the hours of public eating houses curtailed. Thousands of women and children are reported parading the streets daily demanding food.

CONSCRIPT WEALTH BEFORE MAN-POWER

Liverpool, Jan. 31.—The Mersey district Federation of Engineering and Shipbuilding Trades, attended by members, adopted a resolution calling for all possible resistance to any further call on the country's man-power unless the government declares its willingness to adopt the Labor party's war aims, promises to facilitate an international workers' conference and agree to the conscription of wealth. There were only two dissenting votes.

Sir Auckland Geddes, director of national service, was invited to attend, and surprised the meeting by accepting the invitation. He made a long speech and was questioned for two hours, receiving an ovation when he concluded.

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FOOD CONTROLLER TO GET AFTER FOOD HOGS

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, Feb. 2.—Drastic measures against all persons hoarding food are being considered by the Food Controller. A warning was issued on Thursday last that householders and others may find themselves in an unenviable predicament, if spoiled flour is found upon their premises.

Bakers who have been in conference with the Food Controller this week, recommend that grocers send in lists showing the names of all persons, with their addresses, who have purchased or who do purchase more than one ninety-eight pound bag of flour during the month.

WHALING FLEET NOW BEING OVERHAULED

Victoria, Jan. 31.—A start has been made with the overhauling of the vessels of the whaling fleet. Three of the steam vessels of the Victoria Whaling Co. have been taken from their moorings to Esquimalt, where they will be docked and overhauled, preparatory to setting out to hunt the whale. The other steamers of the fleet will be overhauled in succession and it is expected that they will all be ready as soon as the mammals are reported to be spouting off the coast. It is expected that the season will open this year about April 1, and the stations are being prepared to handle a big catch. All the oil from last season's operations has been marketed.

In connection with the operations this year, the company will operate a cannery for whale meat. A start has already been made with the construction of the cannery, which will be situated at Kyuquot, on the west coast of Vancouver Island. The cannery will have an initial capacity of 50,000 cases, and the plant will be complete and ready for operation within two months. Only selected portions of the big animal will be used for canning, the juiciest and tenderest for preference, and it is expected that this will prove to be a growing industry.

THE CANADIAN CLUB LUNCHEON DEFERRED

Dr. S. H. Gould, who was to have addressed the Canadian Club here today, has been prevented from doing so on account of the uncertainty of his return from a visit to Masset on the Queen Charlotte Islands. He will give his address in the Church of England on Sunday evening. It will be greatly to the advantage of all who make it a point to hear him.

"THE WEB OF DESIRE"

The photoplay to be screened at the Westholme Theatre tonight is one of the society dramas which have proved to be so popular wherever they are shown. This play is no exception to the rule. Featuring Ethel Clayton, and with an all-star cast, tonight's show is bound to be one of the best ever put on. The Pathe Gazette displayed last evening will be repeated tonight. This has proved to be exceedingly popular, and this evening at 9 o'clock those who did not have an opportunity of seeing it last evening will be afforded another chance tonight. The official war views are strikingly real and have created a big impression wherever they have been shown.

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GET FRESH HERRING FOR BAIT RIGHT NOW

Written by Captain Bill Sims, of Porcher Island, who has Fished Herring all His Life.

Adverting to the question which was discussed at the city hall on Tuesday night last between the fishermen and the mayor and council, and other interested citizens, viz., the necessity for a constant supply of herring bait for the halibut fishermen, one of the things which was overlooked is that there is at present a demand for bait, which is not being considered. It may be good business to look ahead for two or three months, but the requirements of the present hour demand some consideration as well. Right now there are halibut boats laid up, for the lack of suitable bait, and for that reason only. While for the last two weeks the herring have been swarming in the waters between Porcher Island and Prince Rupert and also further down the coast. The trap such as was suggested for Pearl Harbor, there is no objection to, but that will not supply the present needs of the fishermen, nor will it for some months to come. What is wanted is herring, fresh herring right now, in preference to herring which have been frozen for nearly a year, and which were probably not in the best condition for freezing when they were put up.

It is possible to put a supply of fresh herring into the port of Prince Rupert at the present time on very short notice. The method is easy, and the only objection to it is that it has not been tried before on a large scale. It is the Scottish gill net that will get the herring right now. The herring at present lie in the deep water, and are not schooling at this time of year. When the herring reach the surface any fool method will do to catch them, but the gill net will get herring at times when traps and seines are useless.

To try to get herring with a seine net today would be as much use as to fish for halibut with a fly. When the herring are at the bottom—and there is a big body of herring right now between here and Porcher—the gill net will go down and get them. The seine and the trap are no use until the fish come inshore and come up to the surface. Men who have followed the herring all their lives know mostly all there is to know regarding herring, which even at the best, is but little, but of the successful methods to catch them, they know more. In Scotland they had to use every scheme to catch the herring in the open sea. The demand there was so great that it became imperative to get some method whereby herring might be caught all the year through. There the gill net was adopted, as the method that could not be beat. And if the fishermen of the North Sea do not know what is the best way, it is not for lack of experience or experiment. The gill net is not known as a general rule among Canadian fishermen, but they will eventually use a gill net of from one inch to one and a half inch mesh, and when they do they will wonder why they did not do so long before, as they did wonder when the long line superseded the dories for halibut fishing.

It may be stated with every respect for veracity that a vessel such as the "Carruthers" or the "Kelly" with say a hundred nets aboard, and seven fishermen that understand the gill net system, could, by drifting with these nets for five hours at night in the herring area, be loaded down to the

DISAPPOINTINGLY FEW MEN DRAFTED FOR ARMY

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—Although the estimated number of men potentially available from Class 1 under the Military Service Act is between fifty and sixty thousand, the total number who have thus far responded to the first call issued on January 3rd last, is only some 10,300. This number is apparently disappointingly small, compared with what the country has been led to expect in view of General Mewburn's announcement of last December that 20,000 men would be drafted and overseas by now. In reality, however, to this number of 10,300 put into khaki by the Military Service Act, there should be added probably some five or six thousand more who joined various branches of the combatant services in November and December, knowing that they would not be exempted under the act, and desiring to be volunteers rather than to await the actual enforcement of conscription.

Although comparatively few of these men joined the infantry, other branches of the combatant forces have experienced a recruiting boom during the past two or three months. For the month of November voluntary enlistments totalled more than four thousand.

OLD TIMER OF NORTH TURNS INVENTOR

The revival and development of the wooden shipbuilding industry has seen the business revolutionized by the introduction of mechanical devices for the saving of labor.

It is a big step from the days when the shipwright used to make for the woods with a broad-axe and hew out the ship timbers, to the present stage of development when the use of bandsaw, air drills and rivetters, eliminates all superfluous energy. It is but a sign of the times, therefore, to see the advent of the mechanical caulking machine.

Mr. J. E. Gilmour, late of the Oceanic Cannery, and well known all along this coast, has invented a simple caulking contrivance which it is claimed can do the work of ten men. The inventor had it tested in Victoria the other day for the first time, before a number of interested shipping and shipbuilding officials.

The machine is worked by compressed air and its possibilities were at once realized by those who were watching the demonstration. A fourteen-foot seam was caulked in forty-five seconds and 250 feet, the area covered by the test, was done in twenty minutes. This amount of seam done by hand, the inventor claims, would occupy seven hours.

The possibilities of this invention of Mr. Gilmour's were made manifest in the demonstration which was successful in every way. Mr. Gilmour's many friends will be glad to hear of his success in this direction. Besides being an expert caulker, Mr. Gilmour or rather "Gil," as he was more popularly known hereabouts, was a contractor by trade, and built the old Premier Hotel in this city, and the Wallace Carnery at Naden Harbor.

scuppers with herring and be back in Prince Rupert within ten hours from the time of starting out.

This is the system pursued with success on the North Sea, and it is what our fishermen here will have to get down to if they want fresh bait and marketable herring all the year round. Introduce the gill net system, and the herring industry will become a live one.

SAMMIES NOW IN FIGHTING LINE PERMANENTLY

Sector of Fighting Front Taken Over by U. S. Troops—British Post Raided—Warships at Vladivostok.

(Special to The Daily News.)
Washington, February 2.—The United States forces in France have taken over permanently a sector of the fighting front, and will hereafter fight alongside the allied soldiers; it was learned officially today.

Raids Near Ypres.

London, Feb. 2.—Under cover of a thick fog, the enemy raided a British advanced post on the Ypres-Staden railway, capturing the British positions west of Ghenuevet but was repulsed with losses.

The Paris Raid.

Paris, Feb. 2.—Forty-five persons were killed, including eleven women and five children, and two hundred were injured on Wednesday night's air raid on Paris, according to the official announcement made today.

Italian Front.

Rome, Feb. 2.—After repeated unsuccessful attempts to regain the lost ground in the area of Sasso Rosso, the enemy made a strong attempt to drive the Italians off from Monte di val Bella, but their attempt was foiled by the valor of the Italian troops. Enemy aviators made a raid on the town of Bassano. Several bombs were dropped, but the damage done was slight.

Protect Allied Interests.

London, Feb. 2.—Five more warships of the entente navies have arrived at Vladivostok, according to dispatches received from Petrograd. It is added that China, acting upon advices from the allies, has forbidden the exportation of foodstuffs into Russia.

DEATH OF BROTHER-IN-LAW OF MRS. F. W. HART

The sad news has been received in town by Mrs. F. W. Hart, of the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. H. C. Clarke, of Vancouver, at Pasadena, Cal., whither he had gone in search of health. Mr. Clarke had been in partnership with Colonel Duff Stewart, and the firm of Clarke & Stewart is one that is well known throughout the province.

One of Mr. Clarke's brothers is Dr. Clarke, the late premier of New Brunswick, while a cousin is Mr. C. Norris, premier of Manitoba.

Mrs. Hart expects to go down to Vancouver to attend the obsequies.

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