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Expect Resistance of Germans To Stiffen

Ruhr Police Chiefs and Burgomasters Take Measures to Block Occupation Plans—French Have More Troops at Hand.

FINDS RICH MEN IN SOLDIER AID LIST FRAUDS

Boston Relief Commissioner Uncover Amazing Craft

Forces Delinquents to Return \$7,500—Fireman's Name on Roll Gives Clue to Scandal—Some Drawing from Two Governments.

Boston, Jan. 27.—Soldiers' Relief Commissioner John H. Dunn is uncovering an ever-widening scandal in the department to the head of which he has recently appointed. He has already ferreted out 220 world war veterans who have been taking aid from the city, under the guise of being out of work or disabled, while in reality holding good jobs, and has forced them to turn back \$7,500, that being half the sum they have illegally obtained from the city treasury. If they do not pay back the remainder within a month he will prosecute each delinquent for perjury in obtaining money under false pretences.

The further investigation goes, the more amazing are the revelations as to both the extent and the character of the predatory campaign deliberately carried on by so many of the former soldiers.

One is Son of Wealthy Man. One young man, whose father is a prominent Dorchester business man, owner of three automobiles and real estate in Boston, Brookline and Quincy, assessed for upward of \$120,000, has neglected the city treasury of more than \$720.

Another striking example of how easy it has been to obtain money from a department which has been doling out more than \$1,000,000 a year for war relief is furnished by the record of another family, containing three adults, each of whom enjoyed salaries of more than \$2,000 a year, and yet have taken \$2,100 by posing as needy veterans.

A bail commissioner recently caught by District Attorney O'Brien assessing for \$39,000, has obtained \$390 from the treasury in the role of a half-starved veteran, out of work, and with a large family dependent on him.

A Rosindale bridegroom, who three weeks ago bought a house, following an extended honeymoon in which he spent money liberally, is found to have obtained approximately \$1,000 of soldiers' relief.

Among the worst cases of plundering are some where the mendicants have been receiving "soldiers' aid" from both the national and the Municipal Governments. Commissioner Dunn reckons that the number of such cases reaches into the hundreds.

Up to within a comparatively recent period, some veterans, so far as comparisons with the totals of other years are concerned, yet the number of "vocational students," which means men being supported at government expense, yet able to take brides, has been mounting surprisingly, according to the records in City Registrar McEneaney's office.

Five Killed On Way Home From a Dance. Cumberland, Md., Jan. 27.—Five persons were killed this morning when an automobile crashed through an iron fence on one National Pike, and dropped thirty-five feet into Wild Creek, near here. The dead are: Mrs. Clara McCullough, Eva Dundee, Louise Dundee and Wm. J. Farrell, all of Cumberland, and Edward A. Flynn of Bagerstown.

"QUEEN" CONTEST CLOSED TODAY WITH 95 ENTRIES



CANDIDATE No. 45. Ninety-five entries have been received in the Times Carnival Queen Contest, judgment in which is taking place at the Arena this afternoon. The interest during the last few days has increased wonderfully and it is assured that the committee of judges will have a representative collection of attractive young ladies from whom to choose Miss St. John.

CHARGE CAPTAIN WITH KILLING OF SHIP'S STEWARD

Allegation Against Miles of the Van Buren is That He Beat Baxter to Death. A prominent passenger on the Canadian Pacific steamer Maritimo, which arrived in port this morning from Liverpool, was John Milward, manager of the Pacific Cable Board, who is on the Pacific Islands, duplicating the existing cables. He will leave here for Halifax to inspect the cable there and will then proceed to the west via Montreal to inspect the cable at the Pacific Island station. He is covering what is known as "The All Red Route" and takes in from London, through Canada to Melbourne.

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ICE AGAIN; ALL NIGHT WORK

Joe Tebo Overcomes Effects of Another Storm in Making International Link. When the International Skating Committee visited Lily Lake yesterday they found the track buried under a heavy blanket of snow. Joseph Tebo, who is in charge of the track, had been hoping that the weather man would come to his assistance and that the effects of a storm, which swept away the results of his hard work. However, he is not the kind of man to give in to these difficulties, and when he visited the city at noon today he made a pleasant and surprising announcement that he had overcome the effects of Thursday night's storm by keeping a crew of men working all night and has now good foundation ice for the six lap track and the possibility of good skating ice for Sunday. There was a light downfall of snow at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, but it was hoped that it would not amount to anything.

DEAD DUCKS LINE SHORES OF SEAL ISLAND

Yarmouth, N. S., Jan. 27.—Sea ducks are dying in hundreds, and the shores of Seal Island, as well as other points along the coast, are strewn with them. The cause has not been definitely explained, but all the dead birds seen have a coating of something resembling crude oil. It is thought possible that ships passing this way have dumped great quantities of oil into the sea. The same report comes from Cape Sable Island.

RUM FLEET NOW LIGHTED LIKE AN ARCH OF WELCOME

New York, Jan. 27.—The Leviathan, largest ship flying the U. S. flag and the second biggest vessel in service, has been allocated to the S. lines and will be put on the New York-Southampton run next June. She is now being readjusted at Newport News at an approximate cost of \$6,000,000. The Leviathan, formerly the Vaterland, was seized from the Germans during the war.

As Hiram Sees It



William Pugsley, Mrs. Fisher, wife of Mayor G. Fred Fisher; Mrs. Mullin, wife of Daniel Mullin, K. C. Belgian consul; Mrs. White, wife of Dr. W. W. White; T. H. Zetzkrook, president of the St. John Art Club; Stanley E. Ekin, and Dr. E. Stanley Bridges. Photographs of three more of the candidates are reproduced today. No. 41 resides in Pitt street, No. 45 in Sydney street, while No. 52 comes from the North End.

CLERGY AND LAITY REPORTED LINING UP IN TWO DIVISIONS, ONE FOR HIM AND ONE AGAINST.

New York, Jan. 27.—Bishop William T. Manning remained silent yesterday as did Dr. Percy Stickney Grant, but coupled with a hint that the bishop might more today, there came indications that the Episcopal diocesan clergy and laity were lining up in two groups—liberals, for Dr. Grant, and conservatives, for Bishop Manning. The Churchman, mouthpiece of the liberal element, and the oldest religious publication in America, will soon come out "officially" in favor of Dr. Grant. This was learned authoritatively. The Living Church, organ of the High Church party, is expected to support Dr. Grant. This liberal movement is headed in England by the Rev. H. D. A. Major, Anglican rector, whose threatened trial for heresy will furnish a parallel of accusation and defense if Dr. Grant is ever brought to trial. A ecclesiastical monthly, The Modern Churchman, now edited by the former principal of Ripon Hall, Oxford, has been adopted as the official magazine of the movement launched in this country seven weeks ago.

INSPECT ALL EGGS COMING INTO CANADA

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—Government regulations regarding inspection and grading of eggs shipped into Canada have been amended so as to apply to shipments in lots of fewer than ten cases. This action was taken in view of the fact that "shippers in the U. S. evade these regulations by sending eggs forward in lots of less than ten cases," according to a notice appearing in the Canada Gazette. All shipments of eggs in the shell will henceforth be subject to inspection at the port of entry into Canada.

PAINTINGS WORTH A HALF MILLION STOLEN IN BOSTON

Boston, Jan. 27.—Rare old paintings, said to be valued at \$500,000, including a Da Vinci "Madonna and Child," were stolen from the home of Umberto Bellini, a Boston artist, a few days ago. A nation-wide search for the thief is on.

WEATHER REPORT

Table with 2 columns: Station, Highest, Lowest, Fair and Colder. Includes locations like Prince Rupert, Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, etc.

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