

**TO SEIZE COAL IN ALL CENTERS.**

**Administrators Ordered to Designate the Persons to Whom Fuel Shall be Sold.**

Washington, Nov. 8.—Thousands of tons of coal held for contract sales by jobbers are to be seized by the government in its continued effort to alleviate stringent coal conditions prevalent throughout the country. Dr. H. A. Garfield, fuel administrator, tonight issued an order directing federal administrators for the State to seize this coal and put it on the market immediately. Jobbers will be guarded against loss, but further holding of coal for prices higher than those set by the administrator will be stopped forthwith.

"It is desirable that the provisions of this order be made effective without delay," Dr. Garfield tonight wrote to all the State administrators.

"To accomplish this result you will doubtless require immediate assistance, particularly of counsel, to pass upon the legality of contracts submitted. It is hoped that you may be able to enlist the voluntary services temporarily of counsel of standing in the community, in whose judgment you have full confidence."

In effect, the order issued by Dr. Garfield provides:

1. Jobbers must satisfy state administrators that contracts are bona fide and dated prior to the president's proclamation.
2. They must prove amounts of unsold contracted coal, and supply names, addresses and occupations of persons to whom they wish to sell.
3. The State administrators must designate the persons to whom coal shall be sold and specify amounts.
4. Prices shall not exceed contract prices plus the president's specified margin of 15 per cent of jobbers.
5. If contracts are not proved bona fide, coal may not be sold in excess of the price fixed in the president's order, plus the proper commission.

**MUST PROVE PURPOSE.**

**Transportation of Liquor in Any Quantity Must be Within Law.**

According to a ruling by Judge H. A. M. Smith, his court holds a person can not transport liquor in any quantity on the person or in a carrier in this State unless it be for scientific, sacramental or medicinal purposes. Attorney Brown of Darling was defending his client, who was being fined for transporting liquor, and he requested a ruling. The judge made it very clear as to what construction his court would place on the law. It is up to the person charged with the offense to prove that he carries the liquor within the limits prescribed by the act of the lawmakers. Under the ruling of Judge Smith it would be a violation of the prohibition laws for a person to carry a half-pint flask containing as much or as little as one drink, if it is being used as a beverage. To get by the law in South Carolina a person must be sick and use whiskey as a restorative or for some other good purpose, and he must be ready at all times to prove his claim.

**Railroads Trying to Help Save Cattle.**

Atlanta, Nov. 9.—Freight traffic managers of railroads in the Southeast and Southwest met here today to discuss the advisability of inaugurating an emergency rate to facilitate the movement of approximately two hundred thousand cattle from drought sections Southwest to ranges east of the Mississippi river.

**Atlanta Police Chief Exonerated.**

Atlanta, Nov. 9.—Former Chief of Police James L. Beavers, who had been convicted on charges involving inefficiency and insubordination, was early today exonerated and reinstated as chief by the police commission, before which his case was tried for the third time. Beavers waived his claim to back salary amounting to \$3,000.

**Woman's Battalion Surrendered Without Battle.**

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—The Woman's Battalion, which was among the defenders of the Winter Palace, surrendered before battle there began. A dispatch from Petrograd last night said the Woman's Battalion and other forces holding the Palace were compelled to capitulate under the fire from the cruiser Aurora, and the cannon of St. Peter and St. Paul fortresses. The Maximist account of the uprising said there would be no bloodshed.

**Hilly in the Stock Market.**

New York, Nov. 9.—The stock market after yesterday's severe reversals due to the new Russian developments appeared to be receiving substantial support at the opening today, although the undertone of the general list continued uncertain. More settled conditions of stock did not extend to the foreign exchange market which exhibited further weakness of depressed rates on Petrograd-Rome securities.

**PETROGRAD NOT WHOLE OF RUSSIA.**

**Ambassador Declares Kerensky Has Support.**

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 8.—Boris A. Bakhmeteff, Russian ambassador to the United States, who arrived here today from Washington, delivered an address at the Central High School, was entertained at luncheon at the Country Club and spoke to a large gathering tonight, leaving shortly after on a special train which will carry him back to the capital.

Other speakers tonight included Maj. Stanley Washburn, U. S. A., and members of the Russian economic commission touring the United States, who joined the ambassador's party here.

In an interview with the Associated Press during his stay, Ambassador Bakhmeteff, when informed of the latest Russian political upheaval, declared: "The intent and spirit of Russia as a whole can in no way be judged by the news from Petrograd."

He added: "I can also tell you that Petrograd is not the whole of Russia." In his address tonight the ambassador said Maximists who revolted against the Kerensky provisional government must be overthrown if Russia is to achieve her political freedom.

Immediate peace, such as proposed by the Maximists, could result only in Russian oppression, he declared. The speaker did not attempt in any way to belittle the gravity of the Russian situation, but was careful to point out that the Maximist revolt was a revolt of a few against the many.

"The majority of the Russians who followed Kerensky since the Romanoffs were overthrown last March," he said, "are heart and soul with the Kerensky government."

**Pretty Girl's Twenty-five Kisses Enlisted 25 Naval Recruits.**

New York, Nov. 8.—It took kisses of Miss Marie Antoinette Elliott to stir the latent desire of twenty-five men today to make the world safe for democracy by joining the navy.

Miss Elliott at the conclusion of a patriotic speech soliciting recruits for the navy at the midday meeting of the Minute Men of America, on Lower Broadway, made an offer to keep the first man supplied with tobacco and "be a sister to him for the duration of the war and after."

That was more than Frank Martin could stand, who saw his opportunity to be twice blessed. He came bolting over the rail onto the platform, but instead of accepting Miss Elliott's extended hand, kissed her.

Immediately, twenty-four others swarmed over the rail and likewise enlisted.

**Liquor Certificates.**

The grand jury of Chester county says there are "too many permits," which is true. And one reason there are too many is that it is to the interest of too many persons that permits should be granted:

- "1. The Probate Judge is allowed a fee for every permit he grants;
- "2. He is allowed a fee for every affidavit he signs from an individual who swears he needs liquor for medicine.
- "3. And of course the liquor-seller makes a profit out of every 'permit'."

"The law has curtailed very materially the sale, and consequently the drinking of liquor; but the law should be drawn tighter together with one or two amendments.

"It should be made impossible for any officer to make anything out of the liquor traffic. All affidavits to obtain permits to buy liquor ought to be made by some officer and free and the permit issued free—by the clerk of court preferably, rather than the probate judge. The liquor order should have a tax of 15 or 25 cents a quart imposed on it, and collected at the delivering office and turned over to the county treasurer monthly, with the report the express company is required to make.

"It is important that there will be no temptation to hold out to any officer to encourage the sale of liquor," —Newberry Observer.

Mighty good if we are to continue making barkeepers out of our probate judges, but when the legislature rises there should be nothing more nor less than absolute prohibition. Cut the whole thing out root and branch. The handling of liquor in any shape or form, will have a bad effect upon any one who handles it. It will ruin, even a probate judge. He will soon begin to talk in its favor in order to get the fees, and on and on the thing will carry him until no one will be able to tell where he stands. Then there are the thousands who are corrupted and ruined by drinking the vile stuff that this judge sells.—Greenwood Journal.

**Revised to Date.**

The governor of North Carolina might now remark to the governor of South Carolina: "Been sick lately?"—Lancaster News

**SAVE GOOD YEARLING HENS.**

**Desirable to Keep Them in Order to Increase Poultry and Egg Supply.**

Among farmers generally it is the common practice to sell the hens that are past a year old for poultry when they stop laying in the fall. Under the usual conditions this is good policy, for as a rule only about half of the flock lay well enough the second year to be profitable, and the farmer who has pullets enough to replace all his old hens sees no advantage in keeping any of them over.

This year, however, those patriotic farmers who desire to do their part to increase the poultry and egg supplies will find it desirable to retain a considerable proportion of the yearling hens. Farmers in the corn belt especially will find it to their interest to hold all the good yearling hens they have, making such addition to their poultry house equipment as may be necessary to properly accommodate both pullets and hens. Overcrowding must be avoided, as neither pullets nor hens will do their best.

**Selecting Hens to Keep.**

In selecting hens to keep over, preference should be given to those that molt in September or later, for they are—as a rule—the most persistent layers. Such hens may not be at this time the best looking in the flock. They are likely to be rough in plumage with somewhat shriveled combs and pale colored legs. These things, however, are merely incidental to the non-laying and molting period.

Hens that appear in prime condition at this time are those that molted in the summer because they stopped laying. The exceptions which it may be desirable to retain are hens which reared broods in early summer and molted while running with the chicks.

**TWO FUGITIVES MAKE BAD GUESS.**

**Germans Thought Custom Inspector Was Cowboy.**

Laredo, Texas, Nov. 8.—Mistaking United States customs inspector Rumsey for a cowboy led to miscarriage of plans to cross into Mexico near here today Lieut. Hans Berg and Lieut. Alfred Loeschler, who on October 23 escaped with eight other Germans from the internment camp at Fort McPherson, Ga. Both men tonight are under military guard at Fort McIntosh, Laredo.

After successfully eluding officers of several States in their 1,200 journey, Berg and Loeschler had been in Laredo three days without exciting suspicion until today when Customs Inspector Rumsey discovered them six miles below Laredo on the Rio Grande wading to a Mexican on the Southern side of the river. The Germans, mistaking Rumsey for a cowboy, replying to a question as to what they wanted, said: "We are German prisoners who escaped from Fort McPherson. We are trying to get across into Mexico and from there will return to Germany."

Rumsey was joined by Customs Inspector Chamberlain and the officers immediately placed Berg and Loeschler under arrest, brought them to Laredo and turned them over to an agent of the department of justice. Later they were turned over to military authorities.

The prisoners, who were well supplied with money, calmly accepted arrest and reinternment. They said they hired a carriage this morning and drove to the point at which they were arrested. They were signalling a Mexican to row them across the Rio Grande in a boat. The mounted inspector, not being in uniform, they said, caused them to lose their usual caution.

**PROBE KIRK'S DEATH.**

**Sergeant Brown Held at Camp Sevier.**

Greenville, Nov. 8.—Sergt. Sumter Brown of Company L, One Hundred and Eighteenth Infantry, is held by the military authorities at Camp Sevier in connection with the killing of Private Fred Kirk, who died early yesterday morning from the effect of the wound inflicted by a bullet from Sergeant Brown's gun, it is alleged. Sergeant Brown stated that he did not know his gun was loaded. His company was engaged in aiming practice and his gun was accidentally discharged. The bullet traveled a distance of about 500 yards, grazed through the front ranks of Company L and struck Private Kirk, who was in the front rank. Kirk was rushed to the base hospital at once and his life hung in the balance Tuesday and Wednesday. No formal charge has been preferred against Sergeant Brown. He is held pending results of an investigation being conducted by the authorities.

Also, getting the I. W. W.'s to work may be classed as one of the highest triumphs of German efficiency and diplomacy.—Indianapolis News.

**SUFFRAGISTS FED FORCIBLY.**

**Liquid Food Given Through Tubes.**

Washington, Nov. 8.—Miss Alice Paul, head of the Woman's Party, and Miss Rose Winslow, hunger striking in the District jail hospital, were fed late today by the jail authorities. Liquid food was given them through rubber tubes, breaking a fast of something over 72 hours.

Whether force was employed may be always a matter of dispute. Dr. J. A. Gannon, the jail physician said it was not and that both women took the nourishment without protest. At the Woman's Party headquarters, however, it was indignantly asserted that such a thing was impossible. The women pointed to Miss Paul's record some years ago at Holloway Jail, London, saying she endured torture through forcible feeding. She was then an aide to Mrs. Pankhurst.

Miss Paul and Miss Winslow, who are serving terms for so-called picketing of the White House, went on their strike in an effort to compel the jail officers to provide for their fellow pickets the same special food—eggs and milk—given them when they were transferred to the hospital section. They insist that even murderers in the jail are permitted to make purchases on the outside to supplement their prison fare and that only the suffragists of all the prisoners are denied this privilege.

Dr. Gannon called in several other physicians today to examine the strikers and give their opinion as to the necessity for forcible feeding. It was agreed that both women were in such a condition that they must be fed.

Tonight the physician would say nothing more than that the prisoners had accepted nourishment without protest and now were in satisfactory shape.

**Hope Abandoned for Missing Men.**

Washington, Nov. 8.—All hope for the safety of Lieut. John T. Melvin and the 20 enlisted men reported missing after the torpedoing of the American patrol ship Alcedo has been abandoned. Admiral Sims cabled the navy department that search for the men had been given up and it was believed most of the missing men had been killed outright by the explosion of the torpedo. Secretary Daniels authorized this statement:

"The navy department has received a report from Vice Admiral Sims stating that no trace had been found of the one officer and 20 men reported missing after the sinking of the American patrol vessel Alcedo. Several vessels which were searching for possible survivors have given up the search. It is believed most of the missing men were killed by the explosion of the torpedo."

The Alcedo, a converted yacht, was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine early Monday morning, being the first American warship to go down since the war began. No details have been made public.

**Knights of Columbus to Raise 8 Million.**

Philadelphia, Nov. 8.—Five million dollars, in addition to the \$3,000,000 now being raised by the Knights of Columbus for recreation work in army cantonments, will be collected, according to Supreme Knight James A. Flaherty, this city, head of the order in this country. Mr. Flaherty said the additional \$5,000,000 would be raised in part by a collection in every Catholic Church in the country next Sunday.

**Food Administrator Confer.**

Washington, Nov. 9.—Food administrators of the Southern States conferred with the food administration officials here today on the best way to make permanent State organizations which have been built up to carry on the intensive pledge card campaign. Andrew M. Soule of Georgia was attending the conference.

**Guarding Against Imperialistic Attempts.**

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—The congress of the soldiers' and workmen's delegates today appealed to the Russian army to stand firm and protect the revolution against imperialistic attempts until the new government has obtained a Democratic peace.

**Turks Retreating From Palestine.**

London, Nov. 9.—The entire Turkish army in Palestine is retreating toward the north. British airplanes are following the Turks, bombing them. British and French naval forces are cooperating against the Turkish communications along the Mediterranean. Official statements announce that forty Turkish guns have been captured.

**Michigan Bank Burglarized.**

Jackson, Mich., Nov. 9.—The Farmers' State Bank at Concord, near here, was wrecked by burglars early today, who escaped with about \$18,000 in cash.

**TRIAL OF HOUSTON RIOTERS.**

**Corporal Foreman Lives to Testify in Trial of Negroes for Houston Riot.**

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 8.—A witness who received 57 wounds at the hands of negro rioters and escaped, another who picked up a pewter canteen cup which may lead to identification of a rioter, a third who positively identified Sergeant Henry, afterwards killed, as one of the leaders of the negroes in their march towards Houston the night of August 23, were features of today's testimony at the trial of the 63 negroes charged with murder, mutiny, rioting, in progress at Fort Sam Houston.

An examination of the pewter cup disclosed the number "24" and the letter "I" indicating the cup belonged to a member of Company I, Twenty-

fourth Infantry. Other numerals, it was declared, would disclose the owner.


Corporal Foreman, 21 years of age, told of his miraculous escape from death at the hands of the rioters. Foreman received 57 wounds.

**Cook or Chaplain.**

Rev. and Prof. John Brooks, who is the most versatile colored citizen in the county, told an Index man yesterday that he had made all arrangements to go to the army and that he probably would leave this week to be either a cook or a chaplain, he did not know yet which place would be assigned him. He did not seem to show any preference in the matter himself.

—Greenwood Index.

Last year the British nation spent nearly \$240,000,000 on tobacco.



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