

## ALLEN'S STORY OF WAR BLUNDERS TO OPEN INQUIRY

### Kansan Offers Additional Evidence of Lack of Army Efficiency.

(BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Investigation of conditions under which the Thirty-fifth division fought in the Argonne forest battle will be delayed until the next session of congress. At that time, with Republicans in control, this will simply be one angle of a comprehensive inquiry of the conduct of the war department, which will be ordered by the house.

Gov. Henry J. Allen of Kansas appeared again today before the house committee in support of the resolution presented by Representative Campbell of the same state for an investigation of the charge that the casualties suffered by the Thirty-fifth division were needlessly large.

In the event of a special session of congress during the early summer, which would meet at a considerable sized army still would be in France, it is probable that the investigating committee would go abroad to pursue its investigations. It is desired that Gen. Pershing and other high officers should appear before the committee.

#### Wounded Almost Frozen.

Gov. Allen today read a letter from Col. O. L. Ristine, commander of the One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Infantry, a part of the Thirty-fifth division. It was as follows:

"Some one ought to tell them about things over here; how we were stripped of blankets and had summer underwear and no overcoats for the Argonne fight, during which wounded men almost froze to death; no ambulances for thirty-six hours, and then only six to nine small ones to haul 6,300 men in six days. These ambulances frequently took as long as thirty-six hours to get to the field hospital and many died on the way.

#### Paper Issued as Food.

"We finally evacuated stretcher cases by the hundreds in trucks. We were ordered to leave our kitchens behind and they sent to the firing line fresh beef, cabbage, eggplant, and paper as food, and for a long period after we came out of the fight they sent us bully beef in tins and other field rations which we should have had in the fighting."

Inefficiency sent "American humanity" to face "German machinery" in the battle line, Gov. Allen declared. He also charged that inefficiency was also to blame for poor postal service and greatly delayed reporting of casualties. He also stated that rumors were current in France soon after the signing of the armistice that the American forces fought on for three or four hours after the armistice became effective.

"Do you know that for a fact?" Senator Chamberlain inquired. "I have heard many complaints of that made to me."

"I cannot say that I know it for anything more than a rumor," Gov. Allen said.

#### Red Cross Too Efficient.

Red tape was at fault for the delay in reporting casualties, Gov. Allen said. He testified that while he was serving with the Red Cross a system of direct reporting of casualties had been instituted. Women were placed in all hospitals and had as their duty the writing of letters to the next of kin of wounded men and men who were killed.

This system worked out very well until the war department, which objected because a Red Cross notification had been delivered six weeks in advance of the delivery of the official notification of the casualty by the war department. After this the Red Cross was ordered to hold up all of its reports until the official casualties were published.

"An endless process of red tape built up a condition which was bound to cause weeks of delay," Gov. Allen said.

#### "We" Whipped Them.

Senator Kirby of Arkansas attempted to come to the aid of the war department and sharply cross-questioned the Kansas governor after he had related his charges of shortage of equipment.

"What is the purpose of these disclosures?" Senator Kirby demanded. "The purpose is to find out why we spent so many millions for aircraft and ordnance and then had to go into battle with machinery that even the Chinese army would not have had if it had gone into action," Gov. Allen replied.

"We whipped them, though, didn't we?" queried the Arkansas senator. "Yes, but I think we are fools if we do not find out why, with all of our money, our men had to go into battle so poorly equipped, when our losses might have been less than half of what they were," answered Gov. Allen.

#### Men Against Hun Machines.

"We were compelled to put up against German material nothing but American humanity. With rifles we had to fight hand grenades, bombs, machine guns, and machine gun nests, while our artillery was miles behind, unable to get up because of a lack of horses for transportation. Infantry losses were out of all proportion because there was no artillery protection."

Gov. Allen presented as a part of his testimony the report of Inspector General Lieut. Col. R. G. Peck, which declared that the shortage of horses and transportation was so great that "entire units are practically immobile."

"Hundreds of men were out of uniform, without buttons, and the most of them had all of the appearance of the national guard uniforms which they wore," the report stated.

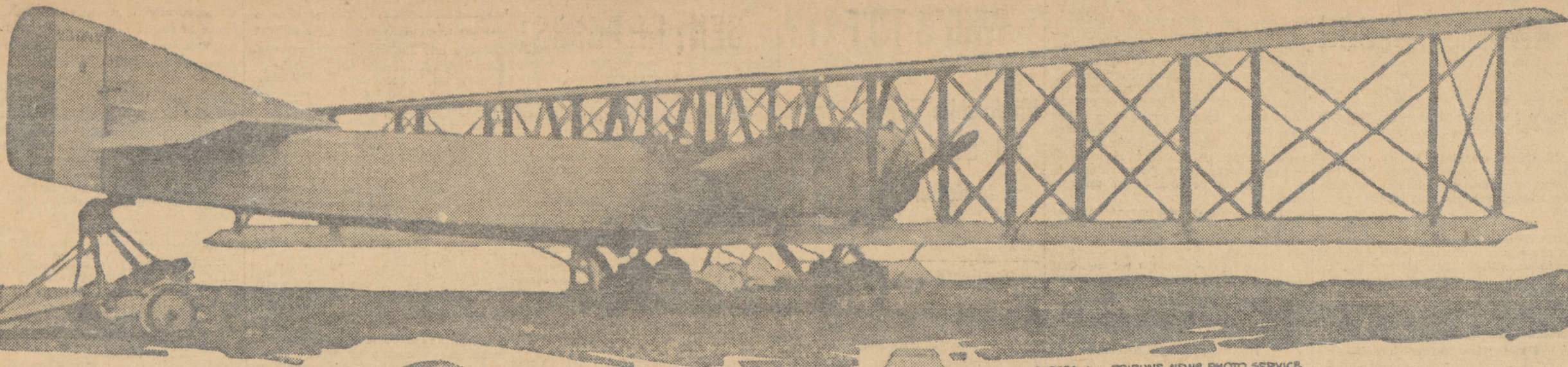
"These men had just returned from six days' hard fighting in the lines," Gov. Allen said, "and they went into the lines without proper clothing, with the soles of their shoes worn through, and without buttons on their blouses. There had been no issue of clothing from Sept. 1 to Oct. 12."

"Have you formed in your mind any opinion as to where the responsibility rests?" Senator Chamberlain asked.

"I have put it down as due to the inefficiency of the entire system," he said.

## Retribution the Germans Escaped by the Signing of the Armistice

Giant Caudron Bombing Biplane Which the French Had Built and Were Ready to Use for Raiding Berlin in Reprisal for the Attacks on Paris When Hostilities Ceased Nov. 11.



PHOTOS BY TRIBUNE NEWS PHOTO SERVICE

The Caudron airplane factory has recently disclosed its new type of bombing plane that was completed just before the armistice was signed. It has a spread of wings of approximately eighty feet, a speed of more than eighty miles an hour, and can rise to an altitude of 2,000 yards. Its tanks carry 3,740 pounds of gasoline and oil and it can remain in the air sixteen hours without landing. Its cargo capacity is 1,600 pounds of explosives, consisting of aerial torpedoes ranging from 1,000 to twenty pounds each.

### LIEUT. LUKE, THE BALLOON ACE, BURIED LIKE DOG

#### Captain Tells of Foe Robbing Body of U. S. Air Hero.

BY SPEARMAN LEWIS.

(Chicago Tribune Foreign News Service.)  
(By Special Cable.)

(Copyright: 1919: By the Tribune Company.)  
PARIS, Feb. 18.—His name was Frank Luke of Arizona, and he was buried like a dog. But on his way to Washington is the record of his valor and his bunkies of the skies will lay you ten to one that he gets a posthumous cross from congress.

#### Story of Lieut. Luke.

One of them told last night in a little French cafe where fighting men often gather of Luke, the sausage killer. With elbows touching elbows we crowded closer in. Let a dapper little captain tell the story as it runs in the eyes of the enemy faster than they could blow him up.

"On the rolls they call him Lieut. Luke, from Arizona. His full name was Frank Luke Jr. On the ground the boy was a violet, but when he gave her gas and went gunning for balloons, he was sure a whirlwind."

"When he came to us last August, we wondered who let him into the service. In four weeks he was showing the old timers a new system for cleaning the skies of gas bags. In seventeen days more he knocked down fourteen flaming sausages in the Verdun and Toul areas."

"In the old days we would go after a boche balloon when it was riding over some field surrounded by anti-aircraft gun the Germans ever invented. So it was just like going against machine guns clad in pajamas."

#### Luke in Twilight Raids.

"Luke hit upon the idea of tracking the balloons to their lair at sundown when they were being lowered and put to bed in the uncertain light. He would ride behind the clouds all day and then follow them home at night."

"The next afternoon just at dusk out swept Luke, flying low. Zamm! zamm! from right over the boche's heads came the torrents of incendiary bullets and he was gone in the darkening shadows."

"One night near Buzey they tried to gang him with eight Fokkers and he burned the balloon right under their very noses."

"The next time he caught a flock of aerial guards near Labouville and he touched off two balloons and shot down three planes, all in ten minutes. I'll say that boy was going strong."

#### Eleven Foes; One Yank.

"They got Luke on Sept. 29, but not until he had plunged right into a cluster of sausages at Avescourt and burned three. He got away and came back and let go his bombs, just to give the boche a razz."

"A lucky shot caught him in the shoulder. He made his landing and fought it out with an automatic. The next morning they rushed his little bush, to find Luke cold. The score of that raid was three balloons destroyed, eleven Germans killed and one Yank."

"Now, listen to this," said the captain, as he drew forth a fold of carbon copies.

"The undersigned equally testify to having seen the German commandant of the village of Murvaux refuse to let him stay placed in the cart which was carrying the dead aviator to the cemetery. The same officer drove away women who came with a sheet for a shroud. He kicked the body and told them to get it away from his sight. The Germans took his boots, leggings and money."

"Then followed the signatures of fifteen village witnesses of Luke's last and glorious flight."

"The Sausage Killer."

"We found his grave," continued the captain evenly, "and today it bears this legend:

"Second Lieut. Frank Luke, pilot of the Twenty-seventh aero squadron. Nineteen victories. Killed in action Sept. 29, 1918."

"That's all right for fancy stuff



Thousand pound aerial torpedo that was to have been dropped on Berlin.

### 19 VICTORIES OVER FOE AIRMEN SHINE IN LUKE'S RECORD

(Chicago Tribune Foreign News Service.)  
(By Special Cable.)

(Copyright: 1919: By the Tribune Company.)  
PARIS, Feb. 18.—Capt. Luke, "the Sausage Killer," is officially accredited with nineteen victories. Following is the first publication of the official record of one of the most brilliant aviators of the American expeditionary forces who "went west" on a blaze of burning glory and wrecked balloons.

Second Lieutenant Frank Luke of A. S. S. C., U. S. A.  
Aug. 16, 1918, he attacked five enemy planes, bringing down one near Fally. Sept. 12, he destroyed an enemy balloon in the vicinity of Marulles.

Sept. 14, he assisted in destroying an enemy balloon near Boiville. Sept. 14, the same afternoon he destroyed a balloon near Buzey guarded by eight Fokkers.

Sept. 15, in twenty minutes, he destroyed two balloons in the vicinity of Boiville and Bois Daintry. Sept. 15, two hours later, he destroyed a balloon northeast of Verdun.

Sept. 16, in twelve minutes, he destroyed an enemy balloon near Reville and a second near Romagne-sous-les-Cotes.

Sept. 18, he destroyed two enemy balloons in the vicinity of Labouville and single handedly destroyed three enemy planes in ten minutes.

Sept. 26, with two others he attacked five enemy planes and destroyed one, while attacked by two.

Sept. 23, he destroyed an enemy balloon near Banterville. Sept. 29, single handed he destroyed three balloons near Avescourt.

Sept. 29, 1918, killed in action.

and the family album, but if they had left it to me, I'd have put just one line down and let it go:

"Lieut. Luke, the Sausage Killer!" Nobody shed any tears. No silence followed, as in all well kept magazines. Our table was a riot of joy at the general introduction of a 29 year old Canadian, who joined the first 30,000 while still in his Boy Scout uniform, had been in every big Canadian show, wounded four times, and now as senior captain of his battalion wears the D. S. C. and everything.

Three privates of the American transport service, Thomas Simpson, John Anderson, and Leonard Williams, who are to be dealt with by the American military authorities, admitted at the hearing that they stole the cars. Williams said that he was concerned in the stealing of five or six cars, one of which was sold to Pomeroy for \$250.

Special Sale  
Spring  
Millinery  
100 Smart Hats, all new  
shapes. Copies of French  
models. Values as high as  
\$15. Your choice for.....  
\$4.95  
PARIS HAT SHOP  
8th FLOOR, 36 S. STATE ST.  
North American Bldg.

### BUILD SIXTEEN CAPITAL SHIPS WITHIN 4 YEARS

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18.—All of the sixteen capital ships already authorized for the navy will be under construction on the ways, within a year. Rear Admiral Taylor, chief of construction, today informed the senate naval affairs committee during consideration of the naval appropriation bill.

These ships will be completed within four years at a maximum from the time they are started, Admiral Taylor estimated, in response to questions of Senator Lodge. He said the ways in government and private yards had a capacity of eighteen capital ships.

Discussion of the additional building program, provided in the house bill at the request of President Wilson was deferred. The committee, however, approved appropriations for improvements to navy yards, totalling \$2,800,000.

Replying to questions of Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania about the probable disposition of the surrendered German navy, Admiral Taylor said he was informed some of the submarines already had been divided among France, England, and Japan.

"Didn't we get any?" Senator Lodge asked.

"We will have to get a few samples," the admiral replied.

SHIPMENT OF FOOD REACHES POLES.  
BASLE, Switzerland, Feb. 18.—Three American steamers laden with foodstuffs for Poland arrived at Neufahrwasser, on the Gulf of Danzig, at noon Monday, according to Danzig advices received here.

MR. HOOVER  
says  
that care in cooking  
makes second cuts palatable and helps win the war. You can work something of a miracle and make your husband admire your cookery, with just a few drops of the savory

AL SAUCE  
Don't Pass Up Your Comfortable Old Shoes

OLD SHOES that pass through our repair shop look almost as good as new when they come out. We'll do the job while-you-wait, or phone Harrison 314; we'll call.

HASSELL'S  
Van Buren and Dearborn Streets.  
Monadnock Block

### COLOSSAL ENEMY MUNITIONS TAKEN BY THE BRITISH

LONDON, Feb. 18.—(British Wireless Service.)—On behalf of the government it has been announced in the house of commons, in answer to a question, that the following equipment of the German armies had been surrendered to the British up to Feb. 9:

Heavy guns, 2,500; field guns, 2,500; machine guns, 25,000; trench mortars, 3,000; airplanes, 1,700; locomotives, 4,005; motor trucks, 3,200.

Up to Feb. 14 the Germans had surrendered to the British 126,826 freight cars.

J. NORMAN COOK TRIAL MONDAY.  
J. Norman Cook, alleged slayer of William Bradway, will go to trial Monday before Judge George Kersten in the Criminal court. Attorneys yesterday agreed to continue the case.

Deny Prince of Wales  
Will Wed Italy's Princess

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The official press bureau says that a report from Paris of the impending announcement of the engagement of Princess Yolanda, the eldest daughter of the king of Italy, to the Prince of Wales is unfounded.

NEW FIRE SYSTEM AT DUBUQUE.  
Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 18.—The two piston fire system will go into effect at Dubuque starting March 1. This was decided on Monday night by the city council and ends a long crusade by the firemen.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—(Havas.)—A number of eminent jurists of the allied nations met today and decided to form an international judicial union. The purpose is to coordinate international law and form it into a code and to propose laws for the league of nations.

Allied Jurists Assemble  
to Codify World Law

STRIKE ADDS TO  
GERMANS' WOES;  
BACKED BY ARMS

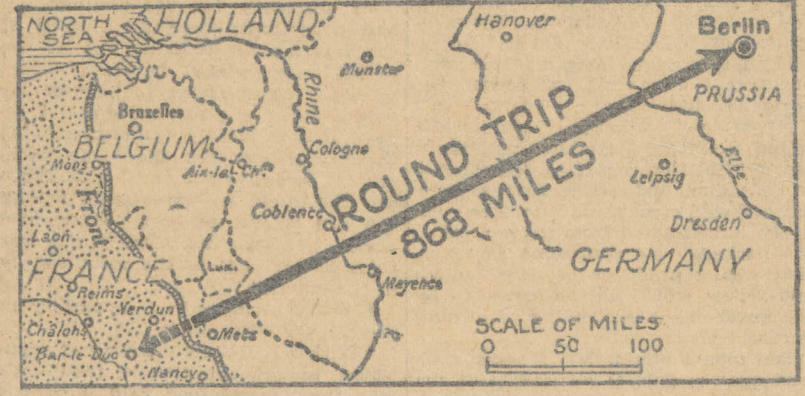
COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—A general strike has been declared in the Ruhr industrial district along the Rhine and the Spartacists have occupied Bochum, Hamburg, and a number of other places, according to a report from Berlin.

They are reported to be fortifying the waterworks and electric power houses at Dusseldorf, Muhlheim, and Hamburg and preparing to resist government troops, which are being sent into the district. The anti-government leaders have given orders that no coal requisitions by the government be delivered.

Armed Spartacists are reaching Muhlheim from Essen, Dusseldorf, and other places. Muhlheim is regarded as the center of the Spartacan movement.

Serious Internal Situation.

BERLIN, Monday, Feb. 17.—The Bavarian government of Premier Eisner is facing a serious internal situation, according to dispatches received here. The Munich correspondent of the Lokai Anzeiger says that the garrisons in Munich and Nuremberg are recruiting troops for the express purpose of opposing Eisner, his Spartacan and independent socialist followers, and the soldiers' council.



Map of the 868 mile trip from behind the battle lines to Berlin and back.

### ENEMY OFFICERS SEEK JOBS IN AMERICAN ARMY

BY EDWIN L. JAMES.

(Copyright: 1919.)  
Chicago Tribune-New York Times Cable.

COBLENZ, Feb. 18.—Between seventy-five and a hundred applications for commissions in the American army have been received from German officers by the advanced general headquarters of A. E. F. here. These applications come from officers ranging from lieutenants to majors.

In the majority of cases their letters set forth that they are professional soldiers; that the German army has disintegrated; that they have learned in the field to admire the stuff the American army is made of, and that as professional army men they would like to join our outfit. Some of their letters contain the complete records of service. One captain who applied had been attached to the German general staff.

The reply to all these letters is the same: "The United States army is not receiving enlistments from Germans during the period in which the United States is at war with Germany."

Deny Prince of Wales  
Will Wed Italy's Princess

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The official press bureau says that a report from Paris of the impending announcement of the engagement of Princess Yolanda, the eldest daughter of the king of Italy, to the Prince of Wales is unfounded.

NEW FIRE SYSTEM AT DUBUQUE.

Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 18.—The two piston fire system will go into effect at Dubuque starting March 1. This was decided on Monday night by the city council and ends a long crusade by the firemen.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—(Havas.)—A number of eminent jurists of the allied nations met today and decided to form an international judicial union. The purpose is to coordinate international law and form it into a code and to propose laws for the league of nations.

Allied Jurists Assemble  
to Codify World Law

STRIKE ADDS TO  
GERMANS' WOES;  
BACKED BY ARMS

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—A general strike has been declared in the Ruhr industrial district along the Rhine and the Spartacists have occupied Bochum, Hamburg, and a number of other places, according to a report from Berlin.

They are reported to be fortifying the waterworks and electric power houses at Dusseldorf, Muhlheim, and Hamburg and preparing to resist government troops, which are being sent into the district. The anti-government leaders have given orders that no coal requisitions by the government be delivered.

Armed Spartacists are reaching Muhlheim from Essen, Dusseldorf, and other places. Muhlheim is regarded as the center of the Spartacan movement.

Serious Internal Situation.

BERLIN, Monday, Feb. 17.—The Bavarian government of Premier Eisner is facing a serious internal situation, according to dispatches received here. The Munich correspondent of the Lokai Anzeiger says that the garrisons in Munich and Nuremberg are recruiting troops for the express purpose of opposing Eisner, his Spartacan and independent socialist followers, and the soldiers' council.

Deny Prince of Wales  
Will Wed Italy's Princess

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The official press bureau says that a report from Paris of the impending announcement of the engagement of Princess Yolanda, the eldest daughter of the king of Italy, to the Prince of Wales is unfounded.

NEW FIRE SYSTEM AT DUBUQUE.

Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 18.—The two piston fire system will go into effect at Dubuque starting March 1. This was decided on Monday night by the city council and ends a long crusade by the firemen.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—(Havas.)—A number of eminent jurists of the allied nations met today and decided to form an international judicial union. The purpose is to coordinate international law and form it into a code and to propose laws for the league of nations.

Allied Jurists Assemble  
to Codify World Law

STRIKE ADDS TO  
GERMANS' WOES;  
BACKED BY ARMS

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—A general strike has been declared in the Ruhr industrial district along the Rhine and the Spartacists have occupied Bochum, Hamburg, and a number of other places, according to a report from Berlin.

They are reported to be fortifying the waterworks and electric power houses at Dusseldorf, Muhlheim, and Hamburg and preparing to resist government troops, which are being sent into the district. The anti-government leaders have given orders that no coal requisitions by the government be delivered.

Armed Spartacists are reaching Muhlheim from Essen, Dusseldorf, and other places. Muhlheim is regarded as the center of the Spartacan movement.

Serious Internal Situation.

BERLIN, Monday, Feb. 17.—The Bavarian government of Premier Eisner is facing a serious internal situation, according to dispatches received here. The Munich correspondent of the Lokai Anzeiger says that the garrisons in Munich and Nuremberg are recruiting troops for the express purpose of opposing Eisner, his Spartacan and independent socialist followers, and the soldiers' council.

Deny Prince of Wales  
Will Wed Italy's Princess

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The official press bureau says that a report from Paris of the impending announcement of the engagement of Princess Yolanda, the eldest daughter of the king of Italy, to the Prince of Wales is unfounded.

NEW FIRE SYSTEM AT DUBUQUE.

Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 18.—The two piston fire system will go into effect at Dubuque starting March 1. This was decided on Monday night by the city council and ends a long crusade by the firemen.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—(Havas.)—A number of eminent jurists of the allied nations met today and decided to form an international judicial union. The purpose is to coordinate international law and form it into a code and to propose laws for the league of nations.

Allied Jurists Assemble  
to Codify World Law

STRIKE ADDS TO  
GERMANS' WOES;  
BACKED BY ARMS

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—A general strike has been declared in the Ruhr industrial district along the Rhine and the Spartacists have occupied Bochum, Hamburg, and a number of other places, according to a report from Berlin.

They are reported to be fortifying the waterworks and electric power houses at Dusseldorf, Muhlheim, and Hamburg and preparing to resist government troops, which are being sent into the district. The anti-government leaders have given orders that no coal requisitions by the government be delivered.

Armed Spartacists are reaching Muhlheim from Essen, Dusseldorf, and other places. Muhlheim is regarded as the center of the Spartacan movement.

Serious Internal Situation.

BERLIN, Monday, Feb. 17.—The Bavarian government of Premier Eisner is facing a serious internal situation, according to dispatches received here. The Munich correspondent of the Lokai Anzeiger says that the garrisons in Munich and Nuremberg are recruiting troops for the express purpose of opposing Eisner, his Spartacan and independent socialist followers, and the soldiers' council.

Deny Prince of Wales  
Will Wed Italy's Princess

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The official press bureau says that a report from Paris of the impending announcement of the engagement of Princess Yolanda, the eldest daughter of the king of Italy, to the Prince of Wales is unfounded.

NEW FIRE SYSTEM AT DUBUQUE.

Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 18.—The two piston fire system will go into effect at Dubuque starting March 1. This was decided on Monday night by the city council and ends a long crusade by the firemen.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—(Havas.)—A number of eminent jurists of the allied nations met today and decided to form an international judicial union. The purpose is to coordinate international law and form it into a code and to propose laws for the league of nations.

Allied Jurists Assemble  
to Codify World Law

STRIKE ADDS TO  
GERMANS' WOES;  
BACKED BY ARMS

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—A general strike has been declared in the Ruhr industrial district along the Rhine and the Spartacists have occupied Bochum, Hamburg, and a number of other places, according to a report from Berlin.

They are reported to be fortifying the waterworks and electric power houses at Dusseldorf, Muhlheim, and Hamburg and preparing to resist government troops, which are being sent into the district. The anti-government leaders have given orders that no coal requisitions by the government be delivered.

Armed Spartacists are reaching Muhlheim from Essen, Dusseldorf, and other places. Muhlheim is regarded as the center of the Spartacan movement.

Serious Internal Situation.

BERLIN, Monday, Feb. 17.—The Bavarian government of Premier Eisner is facing a serious internal situation, according to dispatches received here. The Munich correspondent of the Lokai Anzeiger says that the garrisons in Munich and Nuremberg are recruiting troops for the express purpose of opposing Eisner, his Spartacan and independent socialist followers, and the soldiers' council.

Deny Prince of Wales  
Will Wed Italy's Princess

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The official press bureau says that a report from Paris of the impending announcement of the engagement of Princess Yolanda, the eldest daughter of the king of Italy, to the Prince of Wales is unfounded.

NEW FIRE SYSTEM AT DUBUQUE.

Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 18.—The two piston fire system will go into effect at Dubuque starting March 1. This was decided on Monday night by the city council and ends a long crusade by the firemen.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—(Havas.)—A number of eminent jurists of the allied nations met today and decided to form an international judicial union. The purpose is to coordinate international law and form it into a code and to propose laws for the league of nations.

Allied Jurists Assemble  
to Codify World Law

STRIKE ADDS TO  
GERMANS' WO