

REICH SEEN HURT BY TREASON TERMS

Convictions of Editor and Writer
Viewed as Admission of Air-
craft Arming

HELD GENEVA WEAK SPOT

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BERLIN, Nov. 24.—Germany considerably weakened her position before the coming disarmament conference when the Federal Supreme Court at Leipzig, by a conviction for treason, virtually confirmed the charge that this country's commercial aviation is organized to evade the Versailles Treaty and to provide a basis for speedy transformation into a military flying service.

This charge was contained by implication in an article appearing in the Liberal weekly, *Die Weltbuehne*, in March, 1929. Nothing has occurred since then to alter the facts, which in any case were well known to any foreign observer in Germany.

The court, however, convicted the editor-in-chief, Karl von Ossietzky, and the author of the article, Walter Kreiser, of treason, and gave them eighteen months in jail, thereby tacitly admitting the truth of the charges, since the penal code under which the punishment was imposed defines the offense as "revelation of secrets essential to the defense of the land." The logical deduction is that if the secrets were not true there would have been no offense.

The extraordinary features of the Supreme Court's judgment are two. First, it is the heaviest sentence yet imposed upon a non-Communist editor and typifies the rigorous treatment the German courts now are in a mood to accord to any one out of sympathy with the present tendency toward a reversion to prewar militarism in Germany. Second, it is a sentence that the Government itself, or, at any rate, the Foreign Office, could hardly approve, for the sentence calls attention in a most public way to a condition that otherwise might have been forgotten or overlooked.

BUSSES DOUBLED FARE, FINGERED CARS BY YCH REGIME

Company Started on \$15,000, Gordon Admits Before Seabury

MONOPOLY FRANCHISE
SOON BOOMED LINES

Borough President Did Nothing to Halt Illegal Action, Witnesses Testify

By MILTON MACKAY
The Tompkins bus company, denied a permit because it had raised fares from five to ten cents, operated in the Borough of Richmond on July 17, 1931, and was authorized for a year and a half, according to Mr. Gordon, former president of the company, testified before the Seabury Commission.

Seabury, who is the chairman of the commission, testified that the company had been operating for some time before the Seabury Commission was organized.

The Tompkins company, politically inspired at its inception, was closely allied with the Democratic Party organization in Richmond, and was a franchise for eighteen routes. Mr. Gordon testified as president, after Samuel Seabury, counsel to the commission, recently began an investigation of his relations with Borough President John A. Lynch of Richmond.

The concern now operating stations of the eighteen routes for which it has the franchise, for four of those routes, however, it has no certificate of operation, and is not licensed by the State Transit Commission. As a matter of fact, before the franchise was granted, the company had a Transit Commission authorization for a three-year term, but the commission had not yet acted on the application.

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Westchester and Bronx Rates For Electricity Cut Million

Officials Confer With Public Service Commission Tests Tuesday on Approval

The Westchester Lighting Company today agreed to a reduction in rates for electricity which will save consumers of Westchester County and part of the Bronx more than \$1,000,000 a year. New rates, it is expected, will go into effect about the first of the year.

The company's rates of the reduction followed a conference in the office of Chairman John H. Malley of the Public Service Commission at 60 Rector street, which was participated in by officials of the company, and the commission, testified before the Public Service Commission.

The details of the reduction in rates have not yet been worked out, but it is estimated that the cut will range between 10 and 15 per cent. Before the new rates can be put into effect, they must be approved by the Public Service Commission.

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ROLPH WELCOMES WALKER ON COAST: HEARS PLEA DEC. 1

"Associate Counsel" in Money Case Gets Noisy Greeting From Crowd

PLANS "VAGUE," HE SAYS
HE BARS "ALL POLITICS"

Intends to Return to New York Immediately After Pardon Appeal for Life

WALKER, Nov. 24 (AP)—John J. Walker came to California in a private capacity today to plead for executive clemency for Tim Monaghan, a United States convict, in connection with the bombing of a prep school in this city in 1928.

The fact-finding trial was welcomed as the Mayor of New York to a big crowd at the ferry station where he "banned" and he identified himself as "just an associate counsel."

He announced at once that his plans for his California stay are necessarily "vague."

"I am here for only one purpose," he said, "and that is to join as an associate counsel in the effort to have Monaghan pardoned. I have no car for this trip, I have no place to stay, I have no other plan but to stay in the State, much as I should like to do so. While the hearing is over I shall return to New York."

As he was on his way to the hearing he was surrounded by a crowd of admirers, and he was greeted by a crowd of admirers.

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FAIR BOARD HEAD ONSTAGE, FAILS TO DEAL LOSSES

Stone Admits How Wheat Purchases at About 81 Cents. Sales at 53

\$270,204,503 PURCHASES;
MADE \$38,000,000 LOAN

Admits Only Wheat and Cotton Were Aided—No Help for Corn or Livestock

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The Farm Board's story of its gigantic deal in cotton and wheat was presented today by Congressional investigators.

As the inquiry into its activities over a two-year period began before the House Agriculture Committee today, the board's operations were presented by Chairman Stone.

Stone said the board had bought \$270,204,503 bushels of wheat in an attempt to keep up prices. The cost was \$970,204,503.

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JAPANESE IN BATTLE H MANCIE; MAY REPORTED SLAIN

Rail Pay Cut Move in West; Slash Is Accepted in South

Line in Northwest to Serve 30-Day Notice, Is Reported—Georgia & Florida Crews Take 10 Per Cent Reduction—Nationwide Cuts Seen by Presidents

While the eastern division of the railroad presidents conference was meeting today the report of the committee of railroad executives which failed to reach an agreement with the labor leaders in the recent party, it was noted that one of the important northeastern carriers was preparing to serve notice on its employees that a 10 per cent reduction in wages would be instituted on the expiration of the prescribed thirty-day period.

At the same time an announcement was made that the Santa Fe division of the Georgia & Florida Railroad under the threat that the road would be nationalized, had accepted, with the consent of the hands of the railroad labor organizations, a 10 per cent reduction in wages effective December 1.

While importance is attached to the fact that this is the first time that the railroad executives have agreed to such action to meet the present problem, the Georgia & Florida nevertheless represent a precedent.

The road has been in receivership for some time, and is faced with a period of considerable operation even with a wage cut.

The decision was partly an answer to the appeal of Harvey D. Glass, director of the Emergency Unemployment Relief Commission, who declared that the several thousand carried over from last year's emergency pay roll.

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Nipponese Clash With Chinese Force South of Mukden

CHINESE POLICE AID, ATTACK TOKIO FLANK

Japanese Send Re-enforcements by Truck After Drive on Bandit Hordes

Manchurian situation developments: Japanese and Chinese troops clash in battle south of Mukden.

Heavy casualties reported by Tokyo in battle at Hsienmintien, in which Chinese police aid Chinese troops in a drive against Japanese.

Nanking files new peace proposals, asking League to halt Japanese "acts of aggression," and arrange for a conference for withdrawal of troops.

Deadlock of Chinese, Japanese delegates to League persists, China may appeal for United States intervention if League fails.

"Real war" predicted if Chang Kai-shek, head of the Yangtze Government, orders North Manchuria to join forces with Chang Hsueh-liang.

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Sun Pierces Fog, Frees Harbor; Freakish "Heat Wave" Continues

East "Basking," Rooping Second Strawberry Crops—Cold Blast Grips West—Drop Here Due for Thanksgiving

A bright sun this forenoon dispelled a dense fog that earlier in the day had shut out the sun. The sun was seen for the first time since the fog had set in on Sunday night. The sun was seen for the first time since the fog had set in on Sunday night.

DAWSON AS LAUNCH SINKS

DAWSON, Dutch Boat India, Nov. 24 (AP)—Twenty-four persons were drowned today when the steam passenger launch Dawson sank after a collision with a ferryboat.

White House Put Under Guard After Rumors of Red Picketing

Extra Police Told to Arrest Communists if They Parade Without Obtaining License

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—White House and national capital police established an extra guard today after receiving reports that Communists intended to picket the Executive Mansion.

Old Couple Fund Lays Sullivan Story Page 5

The Old Couple Fund starts with the story of a man and a woman who were married in 1874 on a farm near New York City. The couple were married in 1874 on a farm near New York City.

