

## INTERNAL TROUBLES IN GERMANY

### RIOTS REPORTED GERMAN INTERIOR

Striking Munition Workers are Only Prevented by Force From Burning City Hall.

### END MILITARY REGIME

Demands of Berlin Strikers Are of Such Revolutionary Character That Compliance Would End Militarism.

(By Associated Press.)  
**ASSOCIATED PRESS WAR LEAD.**  
APRIL 21.—Interest in the great French offensive which has so startled the world with its rapid developments, has been completely replaced by the stirring news from the interior of the German empire. Suffocant news has leaked through the rigid censorship which has been established and successfully conducted throughout the progress of the war, to indicate that Germany is facing one of the greatest economic and political crises ever known in the history of the world.

It has been reported that ten thousand striking munition workers were engaged in a bloody riot at Magdeburg, the great Prussian fortress town, and were only prevented from burning the city hall by a sharp clash with the military forces. It is also reported that strikers in Berlin made demands of such a revolutionary character, that compliance with them would mean a prompt ending of the militarist regime in Germany.

**Gonnelieu Captured.**  
The British made another advance in their offensive and have captured the village of Gonnelieu near St. Quentin.

**Cabinet Resigns.**  
LISBON, April 21.—Antonio Almeida, president of the council, presented Bernardino Machado, president of Portugal, the resignation of the entire cabinet. The action followed the adverse vote of the chamber of deputies on the question of the government establishing a national economic council.

**Turkey Breaks With U. S.**  
BASEL, Switzerland, April 21.—A Constantinople dispatch says that the Ottoman government has notified the American embassy that it has broken diplomatic relations with the United States following the example of its ally, Austria.

**Certificates Oversubscribed.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—The first informal offering of a portion of the two billion dollars treasury certificates was greatly oversubscribed.

### ARGENTINA SENDS ENERGETIC NOTE

(By Associated Press.)  
**BUENOS AIRES, April 21.**—The government sent a very energetic note to Germany demanding complete satisfaction for the sinking of the Argentine sailing ship, Monte Protegido. The Argentine minister in Germany was instructed to break relationships immediately if the imperial government attempts any evasion of the responsibility for the loss of the vessel. The minister was also told to instruct Germany that if prompt satisfaction is not granted that Argentina will follow the course of America and Brazil and will arm merchant ships against submarines.

### RELIEF SHIP GOES TO THE BOTTOM

(By Associated Press.)  
**AMSTERDAM, April 21.**—The relief ship, Kongali, was sunk either by mine or submarine, according to word received here. One member of the crew is missing but all others are known to be saved.

The Kongali left Portland, Maine, March 31, destined for Rotterdam and was loaded with supplies for the Belgian Relief Commission.

Father Holmes left last night for Days Creek and Perdue to conduct services.

### LAD IS PAROLED.

John Beardsley, the young lad who was yesterday arrested for stealing a sum of money from John Spough, a resident of Looking Glass, was today brought before County Judge Marsters and given a parole pending good behavior. The boy confessed to taking the money and greatly repented his action.

### INSPECTOR GENERAL VISITS SOLDIERS HOME

Colonel James E. Miller and wife arrived in this city today and were entertained at the Oregon Soldiers' Home, which is located here. Col. Miller is inspector general and chief surgeon of the national homes and is in this city on his semi-annual tour of inspection of all the state and national homes. The institution in this city is the same standard as the national homes and the inspector was highly pleased with conditions here.

Mr. Miller reports an enthusiastic war spirit in the east and a great many enlistments, but stated that Oregon is responding better to the call of the government than any state he has visited. He remained in this city today only.

### LOCAL WATER CO. MAY LOWER RATES

Letters Received From Commission by Plant—Rates For Children Urged.

### BACK YARD GARDENING MAY BE FURTHER IRRIGATION

In Order That Back Yard Gardening May Be Further Irrigation Rates May Be Lessened—Writes to Pollman.

Harry Gall, manager of the Douglas Water & Light Company has received a letter from the Public Service Commission at Salem stating that any special rates this company wishes to make to furnish free water to the school children who engage in vacant lot gardening in furtherance of the national campaign to increase the food supply will not hereafter be used by the commission to the prejudice of this company in the regulation of its rates.

Mr. Gall immediately upon receipt of the letter wrote to Mr. Pollman in regard to the advisability of allowing school children in this city to have special rates for the irrigation of garden plots. It is very probable that this will be granted and if such is the case will greatly aid the young gardeners of this city. The Douglas Water & Light Company is always public-spirited and anything that will further the interests of the city, they enter into with much vim.

Throughout the state many of the water companies are lowering their rates in the interests of the school gardeners and the Bank of Cottage Grove, which owns the water system at Drain has stated that neither the city nor the school at Drain have yet made any request regarding special rates, but should the necessity arise would be willing to grant adequate rates.

The Rogue River Water Company and the Coos Bay Water Company both express the opinion that the high cost of material, etc., would not warrant reduction in rates. The Rogue River company, states that they have already been put to additional expense of \$8 a day for guards over the plant.

Another water company called the Gearhart Park Company, has notified the commission that on account of so much moisture in that vicinity water is not needed for irrigation, but that the company has already offered all of its surplus water at Gearhart free of charge for use of the army should it wish to use the Clatsop plains for an army station, as is now being considered.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Kelly left for their home this afternoon after spending a few hours in the city attending to business matters and visiting with friends.

### MEXICANS HISS U. S. AMBASSADOR

Fletcher is Insulted When He Appears to Attend Mexican Congress.

### GERMAN GETS OVATION

Thirty Minute Demonstration Greets Appearance of German Minister Who is Ceremoniously Escorted to His Seat.

(By Associated Press.)  
**EL PASO, April 21.**—American Ambassador Fletcher was hissed in the chamber of deputies, Sunday, when he appeared at the opening of the Mexican congress, according to reports of government agents. The feeling against the American representative was strongly contrasted to that displayed for German Minister von Eckhardt, who was ceremoniously escorted to his seat by a delegation of six deputies, amid an ovation which lasted for over thirty minutes, starting when he appeared and continuing until stopped by the officers in charge of the session. A similar demonstration as indicative of the feeling of the Mexican congressmen, was given as he rose to leave the chamber.

**Balfour Party Lands.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—The state department announced today the safe landing of British Foreign Minister Balfour and his party.

**Another Relief Ship Sunk.**  
LONDON, April 21.—The Belgian Relief Commission has been advised that the Steamer Ringhorn, outward bound from Rotterdam after having been assured safe conduct, had been sunk.

**German Destroyers Sunk.**  
LONDON, April 21.—The admiralty announced today that two German destroyers and possibly three were sunk during a German raid near Dover.

**Official Near Death.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—Will H. Parry, of Seattle, vice-chairman of the federal trade commission, is lying at death's door as a result of an operation for gallstones. His physicians stated that they doubt if he will live through the day.

### COMMISSION ORDERS PROBE ON RATES

(By Associated Press.)  
**SALEM, April 21.**—The public service commission has ordered a probe of farm product rates on the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company and the Oregon Short Line. The commission is convinced after a preliminary examination, that grounds exist for an extensive probe. It has been stated by the members that the investigation is to be one of the largest ever initiated by the commission on its own motion.

### INSURANCE OFFICERS ARE ELECTED TODAY

(By Associated Press.)  
**TACOMA, Wash., April 21.**—The insurance federation has selected H. C. Sampson, of Spokane, president, and J. H. Roberts, of Centralia, as one of the vice-presidents of the organization.

### CREAMERY MAN CAUGHT IN BELT

Richard Willett, of the firm of Willet & Berg, proprietors of the Douglas County Creamery, last night had a close escape from serious injury when he became caught in one of the drive belts of the machinery. His clothes were torn in a number of places and it was several moments before he was extricated, the power of the machinery gradually subsiding as the light faded. He called to his partner, Horace Berk, who hurried to the rear and stopped the power, allowing Mr. Willett to become loose

### INCREASE FOOD SUPPLY.

(By Associated Press.)  
**PORTLAND, April 21.**—Representatives of the Granges, railroads, farmers-unions and cattlemen are here conferring how to increase Oregon's food supply. They believe that some steps should be taken immediately.

### STRIKE IS ENDED.

(By Associated Press.)  
**CANAS, Wash., April 21.**—The strike of the Crown-Willamette Paper company workers was ended when the company yielded to the demands of the men. The plants are now running.

ened from the belt. He was slightly bruised, but aside from that was not seriously hurt.

### RIDDLE GRANGERS MEET IN THAT CITY TODAY

Dr. C. H. Bailey left today for Riddle where he attended a Grange meeting that was held at that place. He also stated that the South Umpqua Broccoli Association would meet at that time. A. L. Kitchin accompanied him and will appear before the Grange. A large crowd undoubtedly attended the meeting. An attempt was made to secure an extension lecturer from O. A. C. to discuss the possibilities of bean growing for the enlightenment of the growers of that section. Considerable interest is being manifest in the growing of beans in that neighborhood and the farmers there are very anxious to learn more about it.

This year's broccoli crop has been very poor in that vicinity, as in many other sections of the county, due mostly to the seed secured. The prune crop of this year promises to be very large.

### COMMERCIAL CLUB RECEIVES LETTER

Secretary Redfield of the department of commerce has sent a circular letter to commercial organizations throughout the country urging an increase in the food supply. Certain extracts from the letter to the Roseburg Commercial club should receive most serious consideration from our citizens. They are as follows:

"The war in which we are now engaged is a war of economic resources. It is absolutely essential to the successful prosecution of the war that everyone make his or her contribution to the economic welfare of the country. The production of food is a vital present duty on every man and woman. Without food workmen cannot work nor can armies fight."

"The food supply of the country must be increased, and I urge you to co-operate in every way to increase the crops of the country. I need not point out to you that the planting season is at hand and that any action to be effective must be taken at the earliest possible moment. In the United States as in the warring countries of Europe the effects of this struggle will be felt by everyone and economic preparedness will greatly lessen the burden we must carry."

Mayor Eise having already agitated the planting of backyard gardens and the utilizing of vacant lots in the raising of non-perishable crops, the Commercial club will probably take no action further than most heartily endorsing the movement, and joining with the mayor and with those who have offered land for the purpose, in urging the people to take the matter seriously and to prepare for increasing prices of all food stuffs. The world will have to look to this country for a large portion of its food supply. That means ready sale for all the farmers can raise and

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### INDIANS WILL CLAIM MILLIONS

Old Treaty Discovered Reserving Land Along the Pacific Coast.

### SENATE TAKES ACTION

Treaty Was Signed by Both Parties But Congress Adjourned Without Approval, the Land Being Occupied By Whites.

That a bill will be introduced into congress by the Indians of western Oregon asking that they be given a sum ranging between twelve and fifteen million dollars in settlement for the failure of the government to observe the terms of an old treaty will undoubtedly result from the Indian council to be held at Marshfield April 25.

An old treaty has just been discovered which contains many provisions which were never put into force by the authority of congress, but were observed by the government without the terms of payment.

The treaty was made in February of 1855, being signed by various Indians, the number of signatures covering 7 closely typewritten pages, while on the part of the government the document was signed by Joel Palmer, superintendent of Indian affairs for Oregon territory.

It provided that all territory west of the Coast Range from the Columbia river to the southern boundary of Oregon, comprising approximately 5,000,000 acres of land was to be surrendered to the government. Nine hundred thousand acres lying in the territory included in a boundary starting near the mouth of the Siuslaw river and running to a point about twenty miles directly east and thence north to a point approximately east of Cape Lookout and from thence to the Pacific coast and to the point of beginning was to have been set aside for a reservation on which a number of improvements were to have been made by the government.

The document bearing the recommendation of the superintendent of Indian affairs, the secretary of the interior and President Pierce was approved by the house and sent up to the senate which adjourned without taking action, the treaty being stowed away and becoming lost until last fall when it was discovered. In the meantime the land had been settled by white men, the Indians receiving no remuneration. It is now considered one of the wealthiest sections of land in the state and is worth many millions of dollars. The Indians, claiming that they have fulfilled their terms of the contract are asking that they be paid between twelve and thirteen millions of dollars for the nine hundred thousand acres which they have given up and in order to make a systematic proposition will hold a council the 25th of this month.

Delegates from all parts of western Oregon represented will be elected and will be in attendance. A delegate will then be selected to represent the Indians before congress and a bill will be introduced.

Superintendent C. E. Coe has been requested to be present and will leave tomorrow for Florence, where he will spend a couple of days before going on to Marshfield.

The land included in the treaty includes some of the finest land in Oregon and is now rather thickly populated. The matter has been considered for some time, a very few of the Indians who signed the treaty still being alive and scattered about the state. The search for the missing document has been under way for a couple of years, but not until a few months ago was it found and typewritten copies made of it.

### TIMBER MAN WILL ARRIVE HERE SOON

Word was received in this city today by W. F. Thomas that DeWitt Van Ostrand, of Phillips, Wis., who holds extensive timber interests in this county will arrive here on the morning train of April 26, and will spend one day here attending to matters of business importance. He is a representative of the Neenah-Oregon Lumber Company, one of the largest lumber companies in the state. Mr. Van Ostrand has made a number of trips to this section in the interest of his holdings and is

### BALL GROUNDS SECURED.

The Twilight League of this city has completed arrangements to lease the ball grounds at Bellows grove, West Roseburg, and the grounds will be put in condition at an early date for the summer games.

well satisfied with conditions here. From this city he will go to Grants Pass where he will stay for a short time. He is interested in mining property in that county and is said to hold very valuable property there.

### DEBATE ON ARMY BILL STARTS IN SENATE

(By Associated Press.)  
**WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.**—Debate on the administration army bill, providing for selective conscription began in the senate today. Administration leaders are confident that the bill will pass. Pacifists and conscientious objectors appeared before the senate committee. James Eads, of St. Louis, well known as the "millionaire hobo," speaking for the unorganized workers said that he believes if guns are put in the hands of these men that they will use them against the government.

Joseph Cannon, labor organizer, predicted that the selective draft and high prices of food, will cause riots and that "blood will flow on the streets."

### ROSEBURG BOYS MAY GO TO CAMP

Local Boys Attending O. A. C. Will Have Chance to go to Presidio.

### SEVERAL NOT AFFECTED

Those Who Belong to Local Companies Will Be Subject to Call By Officers Here—Good Training.

It is very probable that a number of the local boys who are attending the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis will leave within the next month for San Francisco where they will enter the Presidio for officers' training. According to one of the boys who is spending the week end here with his parents, President Kerr, of the college, has received an order from General Franklin Bell to the effect that 2500 first class men are wanted at the opening of the training camp in California. A meeting of the administrative council was immediately called upon receipt of the word and it was decided to graduate the seniors and make it possible for those who desire to go, to leave there just as soon as possible. It was also determined that the undergraduates who desire to go shall be given credit for the full semester's work in every case where they are now maintaining passing grades. A large number of the boys from Roseburg will undoubtedly be affected by these instructions, although there is nothing compulsory about the order received at the college, and the students may go just as they choose.

The men must go to the training camp and before they can land a position as an officer they will be subjected to three months military training. According to word received here a large number from O. A. C. will take advantage of this.

Some time ago the order was received for the boys to wait until they were called upon, as they could be used to a good advantage later. It is thought that this order was based on the recent instructions received, and it is the idea of the military authorities to give the students thorough training so that they may act as officers and drill the recruits that are later brought into the army.

Several of the boys from this city will not be allowed to take advantage of the training camp as they are enlisted in the local artillery and hospital corps and are subject to call from the officers here. They are not disappointed, however, and feel that they have received adequate training in the companies here, and they are also given a chance to advance accordingly.

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### WORK STARTS ON COOS BAY ROAD

County and State Engineers Are Making Route Surveys.

### MORE MONEY NEEDED

County Unable Under Existing Conditions to Improve Entire Distance But Will Be Enabled to Do So if Bond Issue is Approved.

County Surveyor M. B. Germond arrived in the city yesterday evening after completing a survey of the first two miles of highway through the Coquille canyon, on the Roseburg-Myrtle Point road. He will immediately set to work in preparing his plans and specifications and expects to have them ready for the next term of the county court.

His survey starts from the end of the new plankin in Canas Valley and follows the course of the Coquille river for a trifle more than two miles. Surveyed on a line following closely the banks of the river the road makes long sweeping curves with the water on one side and the massive trees of one of the finest forests on the Pacific coast on the other, making one of the most scenic roads to be found in the country.

Mr. Germond has planned a road which will be inexpensive in construction considering the nature of the country through which the thoroughfare is built, one which will cost but little for upkeep and which can be traveled at all times of the year at a grade of less than two per cent for the entire distance. The route is considered remarkable for this one feature as previously, the road has reached as high as twenty-five per cent, while only a slight deviation from the present course brings it to grounds over which a vehicle can travel with practically no noticeable difference in the grade of the bed. On one stretch about 1200 feet in length there is absolutely no change in levels, although the surrounding country is very rough. The road winds a good deal, but on curves easily negotiated and which adds rather than detracts from the beauty of the highway.

The road is to be planned for the entire two miles according to present plans, and although no estimate has been announced or prepared in any way it is the belief that the cost will be between twelve and fifteen thousand dollars for the entire improvement. It is very probable that the county court will pass an order at its next session authorizing a contract for the work and that grading will be begun within a few weeks.

In addition to the work by the county it is very evident that the state is planning to take some action on this highway within the near future, as a crew of fourteen surveyors are now employed in running a survey from Myrtle Point to Roseburg and will probably reach this city within the next two weeks. They are working under the direction of the state highway engineer and are surveying the location for a state highway. They have crossed the Coos county line and are into Douglas county, proceeding rapidly with their work, making a careful and accurate survey of the entire distance. It is possible that they may make a few changes in location, but it is doubtful if they change the established road after leaving the canyon.

With a two-mile improvement by the county, only six miles remain between Douglas and Coos counties, a stretch of almost impassable road which prevents the linking of two of the most productive sections of the state. The county, however, is without means to make the entire improvement, under present conditions, but in the event that the county bond issue is approved by the people at the June election \$50,000 will be appropriated to complete this improvement in a permanent manner, making a highway which will be open all the year around. With state aid it will probably be hard surfaced for the greater part of the distance and Roseburg will have an outlet for auto truck travel throughout the seasons.

**Expects News Soon.**  
Earle Court Stewart who recently applied for enlistment in the aviation corps of the regular army has received word from Senator Chamberlain that the application has been received and that he has been recommended to the war department.