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## Militia Not Moved Today but Will Be By Week End

### VOLUNTEERS CALL MAY BE FORTHCOMING

REPORTS AS TO NUMBER OF  
THAT CLASS EXAGGERATED  
IT IS POINTED OUT

### STARVATION CERTAIN TO FOLLOW NAVAL BLOCKADE

House Appropriates Large Sums for  
Aeroplane Funds—Which States  
Will Get First Call Depends Upon  
Their Readiness to Move South—  
Acclimate New Men First.

Washington, June 21.—The House  
this afternoon voted to increase the  
aeroplane appropriation from a million  
and a quarter to three million dollars.

Washington, June 21.—Sec. of War  
Baker went order militia to the border  
today because mobilization is incomplete.  
Doubtlessly they will be en route  
before the end of the week. What  
states will be called first depends  
upon their readiness. Undoubtedly  
more than 50,000 are going.

Volunteer Question Unsettled  
The method of calling for volunteers  
is not arranged. It can only be done  
when developments require it. Reports  
that the administration intends to  
ask for a half million volunteers  
appear to be exaggerated.

Blockade An Easy Matter  
An order for a navy blockade of  
Mexican ports is expected soon. Officials  
said this will be comparatively  
easy to do. But the population is  
already near starvation and putting  
into effect a real blockade will mean  
further suffering. Therefore officials  
are determined to go slowly.

Acclimate Militia First  
Real action will not come for several  
weeks as militiamen must be  
acclimated. It is expected that  
after they reach the border a period  
of waiting will follow while Carranza  
is given a final chance to back down.

### "There Speaks the Soul of France."

London, June 10.—(By Mail)—  
"There speaks the soul of France,"  
said Franklin Bouillon, the distinguished  
French Deputy, at the American  
Luncheon club in London, after  
reading this touching letter written  
by a French soldier, George Beland, a  
cook, to his wife, "My dear Yvonne—  
Don't be worried. I have good hopes  
of seeing you again, as well as our  
dear boy Raymond. But, if by ill-  
luck anything should go wrong with  
us—for we are at war, and, of course,  
are running risks—I hope you will  
remain courageous, and be sure, in case  
I die, I have complete confidence in  
you; and I ask you to live for the  
sake of bringing up the boy so as to  
be a right manly and true fellow; and  
give him a good education according  
to the means at your disposal. Above  
all, when he is grown up, tell him  
that his father died for him, or, at  
least for a cause that would be of  
service to him and all the generations  
to come. Now, my dear Yvonne, all  
this is but a mere precaution, and I  
hope to be beside you and help you  
at your task; but, as I said, one never  
knows. In any case you soldiers are  
advancing with good cheer and in the  
firm hope of victory. As for you, be  
sure I have always loved you and do  
love you for evermore, whatever happens.  
Once more I rely on you to be full  
of courage. From your affectionate  
husband, who sends to you and his  
dear boy the warmest embraces."

The day after sending the letter  
the writer was killed, said M. Bouillon.

### Seventy Bands in Parade.

Kansas City, Mo., June 21.—Seventy  
bands marched today in the preparedness  
parade here. One band was provided  
for every 500 members. It required  
several hours for the parade to  
pass the reviewing stand. Original  
plans called for the parade Memorial  
day as a part of the reception of  
Colonel Roosevelt, but it was postponed  
after the dry of "politics" had been  
raised.

### IDAHO MILITIA IN LA GRANDE AT MIDNIGHT

Twelve cars, making up a  
special train carrying Lewiston,  
Coeur d'Alene and other Northern  
Idaho militiamen, will pass  
through La Grande at midnight.  
The Northerners are mobilizing  
at Boise in conjunction with  
other Idaho guardsmen preparatory  
to going to the South if needed.  
The train is scheduled to reach  
Umatilla shortly after 5 this  
evening and will reach La Grande  
about midnight if the schedule  
run is made. Baggage cars,  
tourists and pullmans make up  
the train.

Outside District Anxious  
Observer telephones have been  
kept hot each morning for the  
past two days with people from  
outlying districts anxious to know  
if war is declared and from Union  
county men who want to enlist,  
if a company is formed here. Some,  
like other La Grande young men,  
want to go to Portland to offer  
their services if no opportunity  
is presented here.

Escapes Steam, Drowns  
Portland, June 21.—A steam pipe  
in the steamer Lurline burst today  
and William Moudy, a fireman,  
plunged into the river to escape the  
burning steam and drowned. One  
deck hand was injured.

## STATION WILL BE HOST SAT.

### FARMER'S DAY SET AT UNION SATURDAY

Various O. A. C. Leaders Will Be  
Present to Participate

PAUL H. SPILLMAN  
Saturday, the 24th of June, will be  
Farmers Day at the Experiment  
Station at Union. All farmers in the  
county are invited to attend. Get an  
early start, bring your lunch. There  
is much pleasant shade and plenty  
of good water around the station  
buildings.

In the forenoon the Grange will  
have a meeting, in the afternoon there  
will be a varied program. Dr. Kerr,  
president of the Oregon Agricultural  
College; Dean Cordley, director of the  
Experiment Stations; Hon. J. K.  
Weatherford, president of the board  
of regents of the Agricultural College;  
Prof. Potter, head of the animal  
husbandry department of the college,  
and probably others will be in  
attendance, and an interesting and  
instructive program is assured.

Don't forget the date. If you have  
never been at the Station take this  
opportunity to visit it. There will be  
people there to explain and show what  
is being done, and you will have a  
better understanding of the Experiment  
Station and the work that it has  
done, and is doing at the present time.

### Fruit Marketing

There have appeared in the papers  
in the last few weeks several  
announcements that the Federal Office  
of Markets had worked out a plan for  
marketing fruit, and that they and  
representatives of the Extension  
Department of the Agricultural College  
would be in the county to explain the  
plan. As stated in the previous  
articles the plan has been largely  
adopted in Idaho and Washington. The  
following are the dates set for this  
county:

Monday, June 26—Imbler, in Farmers'  
Union Hall, 1:30 p. m.

Tuesday, June 27—Cove, in Macabee  
Hall 1:30 p. m.

Wednesday, June 28—La Grande in  
City Hall 1:30 p. m.

It is important that all fruit growers  
and business men attend so that  
the plan will be thoroughly understood.

### Cowlitz County W. C. T. U. Elects

Kelso, Wash., June 19.—At a  
meeting of the 13th annual convention  
of the W. C. T. U. of Cowlitz  
county, held at this place the past  
week, Mrs. Albert Burcham was  
re-elected president; Mrs. Gertrude  
Mason, of Castle Rock, was elected  
vice-president; Mrs. Nellie MacCane,  
of Castle Rock, recording secretary;  
Mrs. Mae Down, of Kelso, corresponding  
secretary, and Mrs. W. D. Patrician,  
of Woodland, treasurer. In the  
gold medal contest, Miss Selma  
Staff won first honors with her  
recitation of "The Story of a Boy." Mrs.  
Grace Bashor, of Kelso, carried off  
second honors.

## CARRANZA'S CABINET HAS WILSON NOTE

CORRESPONDENTS DENIED  
ADMISSION TO SECRET  
MEXICAN CONCLAVE

### MEXICANS SHOW SIGNS OF DESIRE TO FIGHT

Funston Calling For More Regulars—  
Protection Promised Mexicans on  
American Soil Who Avoid Trouble  
or Report Those Fomenting Revolts  
—Recruiting Begins.

Mexico City, June 21.—Carranza  
and his cabinet met in special session  
this afternoon to consider the American  
note. They refused to see correspondents.

San Antonio, June 21.—The war  
department has wired to General Funston  
to recruit four regiments of infantry  
and two cavalry immediately, for  
regular service. Detailed instructions  
were mailed. Recruiting has started.

Gen. Funston has denied he is making  
a second appeal for militia. It is  
reported Mexicans at Ojinaga are  
assuming a threatening attitude.  
Funston said they "are running  
around in circles bragging about what  
they intend to do."

General Pershing still has scouts  
on both sides of his lines, but found  
no Mexican detachments within reach  
of his lines anywhere.

Sheriff Sanilas of Laredo, issued a  
proclamation to Mexicans requesting  
them to report any person attempting  
to foment revolts and guaranteed them  
protection for keeping peace. Despite  
the proclamation Mexicans continued  
to cross the border today.

### Minnesotans Hunting Rattle Snakes.

Winona, Minn., June 21.—Hunting  
rattlesnakes is becoming a popular  
sport in and near Winona. Several  
men are following the hunt of the  
deadly serpent as a profession and  
are making a living at it. The snakes  
are numerous. A live snake on the  
Winona market today is quoted at 90  
cents per pound. The bounty for the  
hisser is 50 cents, and rattle snake oil  
is used for medicine. The average  
snake weighs five pounds, making  
\$5 the average wage. Some  
catchers get several snakes a day.

### DELIVERY ORDERS OUT.

Method of Handling Groceries and  
Meats at Chautauqua Decided.

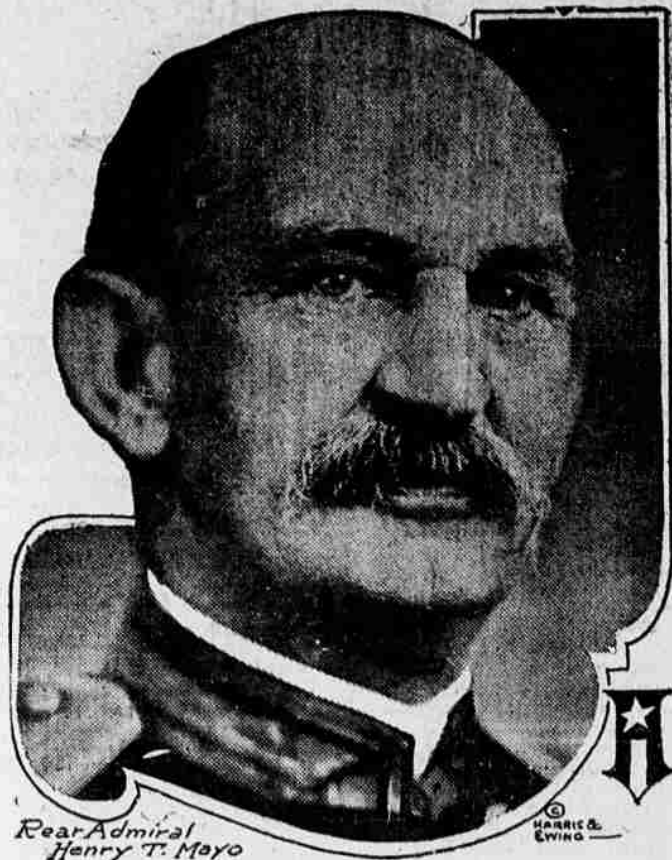
Grounds committees met last night  
to decide on the method of handling  
delivery wagons at the Chautauqua  
which opens Sunday morning. Previously  
it had been the custom to take  
packages to the booth and there have  
them distributed to various patrons,  
but this year a booth will be instituted  
especially for that purpose at the  
entrance where people can come and  
get their provisions. This is less  
trouble for delivery wagons too, and  
will remove the annoyance of having  
teams driving through the park when  
exercises are under way. Ice wagons  
may have special privileges and milk  
wagons will also likely come under

## ORPETT'S LOVE LETTERS ADMITTED AS EVIDENCE

Waukegan, June 21.—Letters that  
Will Orpett, a University of Wisconsin  
student, wrote to the late Marian  
Lambert, were admitted in evidence  
this afternoon. The court permitted  
this, though recently he said it would  
have a damning effect on Orpett's  
case.

Eighty of these letters detail the  
efforts of Orpett, first to win Marian's  
love; second, of his cooling passion,  
and last, of attempts to relieve  
Marian's illness.

### NEW HEAD OF ATLANTIC FLEET STUDENT OF NAVAL WARFARE FOR 43 YEARS.



Rear Admiral  
Henry T. Mayo

Admiral Henry T. Mayo, just named  
to succeed Admiral Fletcher as commander  
of the Atlantic fleet, which is to be  
reorganized, has been studying  
naval warfare 43 years. In case of  
war with Mexico he will be a potent  
factor in naval affairs.

Mayo commanded the cruiser Maryland  
in our trouble with Spain. He  
studied in the Newport War college  
and joined the Atlantic fleet in

time to turn a page in history for  
him in the man who brought about trouble  
with Mexico two years ago when he  
demanded Huerta that he salute the  
United States flag because of the arrest  
of marines in Tampico.

His demand resulted in the landing  
of United States forces at Vera Cruz.  
Admiral Fletcher was in command of  
that movement.

### WOMEN'S VOTE PLANK CLEARED

MR. WILSON INTERPRETS ITS  
FULL MEANING

Virginia Women Hear Wilson Say  
Plank Not Opposed To  
Federal Ideas

Washington, June 21.—President  
Wilson today interpreted the suffrage  
plank of the Democratic platform as  
an approval of the suffrage movement,  
but recommending it have inception  
in the states. He told some Virginia  
women the plank didn't necessarily  
disapprove of Federal amendment  
ideas.

this special class, but these are teams  
that usually arrive at the park at a  
time when there is no program under  
way. Early morning or from 5 to 6 p.  
m. would be suitable hours for these  
classes it is pointed out.

### Troy Case Settled.

Salem, June 21.—The supreme  
court yesterday handed down a  
decision in the matter of the guardianship  
of David Troy, incompetent, De-  
liad Beem et al, appellants, vs. R. C.  
Mays, guardian; appealed from Union  
county; opinion by Justice Harris,  
motion to recall mandate denied.

### Victor Harris, Composer, Married.

New York, June 21.—Miss Catherine  
Lawrence Richardson and Mr. Victor  
Harris, somewhat well-known  
composer and instructor in music  
were married today at the church of  
the Messiah. The engagement was  
no surprise to many of the associates  
of Miss Richardson and Mr. Harris  
in various musical organizations. Their  
romance began when Miss Richardson,  
who has given much time to the  
cultivation of her voice, met frequently  
afterward, when she became a  
member of the St. Cecilia club, an  
organization of amateur vocalists of  
which Mr. Harris has been the conductor  
for several years. Mr. Harris is  
widely known among music lovers  
in this and other cities. His songs  
are heard frequently at concerts and  
recitals and singing societies. The  
St. Cecilia club has sung his choruses.

## HIGH OFFICIAL COMING

Royal Neighbors Anticipate Visit of  
Supreme Lodge Woman  
Friday evening the members of the  
Royal Neighbors' lodge will meet to  
take the first preparation steps for  
entertainment of supreme lodge officials  
who are expected to be here a  
little later on. The Friday night  
meeting will be of much importance  
and members who possibly can are urged  
to come out.

## GERMANS RUSH TO THE RELIEF OF AUSTRIANS

SIX DIVISIONS TURNED EAST TO  
STOP RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE  
AGAINST AUSTRIA.

### GREEK CABINET HAS TENDERED RESIGNATIONS

Russians Reported to Have Met Serious  
Obstacles on Northern Flank  
but the Other End of Attacking  
Line Is Driving Austrians Back  
With Much Force.

London, June 21.—Six German divisions—  
120,000 men—have been  
hurried eastward to check the  
Russian offensive, Geneva dispatches  
declared today. Two divisions are  
en route to the Lutsk-Kovel front.

Austrians are counter-attacking  
vigorously the northern flank of  
Brusiloff's armies. The Russian advance  
has apparently been checked  
temporarily but Berlin and Vienna  
dispatches today admitted the Austrian  
right wing continues a rapid retreat  
before the Russians. A terrific force  
of Russian artillery is causing Pfander  
to retire instead of sacrificing his men,  
Vienna reported. He is expected  
shortly to make a stand.

Four German divisions were rushed  
to a 30-mile front near Brody. Russians  
had opened a heavy attack there,  
evidently preparing a smash toward  
Lemberg.

News From the West.  
Paris, June 21.—Following an explosion  
of two mines, Germans attacked  
South of Berrybauc, near Rheims.  
Screen fire checked the assault,  
but artillery is active around Verdun,  
but the infantry made no gains.

Greek Cabinet Resigned.  
London, June 21.—The Athens correspondent  
to the Central News has cabled  
the Greek cabinet resigned under  
pressure of Allies. The official  
announcement is being withheld.

Slav Right Wing Halted  
Berlin, June 21.—The Russian left  
wing continues to push forward at  
Buckowina, but the right wing is  
halted and even pushed back in some  
places, according to official statements.  
It is announced Russians who  
crossed the Styx west of Kolki were  
driven back, Germans taking a thousand  
prisoners.

Week's Booty Large  
Petrograd, June 21.—Brusiloff's  
army repulsed persistent German  
attacks near Voronezh, capturing  
prisoners, it was announced tonight.  
Between June 4th and 15th Brusiloff's  
armies captured 3356 officers, 170,000  
men, 200 guns, 55 machine guns, 180  
bombthrowers, and 119 artillery limbers,  
it is announced.

High Prices Haven't Curbed Drinking  
London, June 21.—High prices and  
drastic restrictions have done little  
if anything to curb drinking in England.  
Some authorities say there has been  
an increase. There has been much  
controversy over this question. Advocates  
of rigid regulation or of total  
prohibition maintained the new rules  
has made the country more sober.  
Their opponents denied it. The  
United Kingdom Alliance, a neutral  
organization devoted to the completion  
of all sorts of social statistics  
which the country supposedly ought  
to know, has finally submitted definite  
figures.

which gives the help a little time off  
during the summer months.

George Gilbert, chairman, Harley  
Richardson and G. L. Clark members  
of the nominating committee, selected  
by the board of directors to nominate  
men willing to serve as directors if  
elected by the membership, met at the  
building last evening to outline their  
program. They will present to the  
membership a list of eight men, from  
whom the membership will cast a  
vote for five. This procedure is used  
by all associations and is meeting  
with much favor here. Announcements  
will be sent to all the members in  
good standing, relative to the time  
and place of the voting.

S. D. Crowe, Arthur Wenzel and J.  
G. King met at the association building  
last evening to arrange for the tennis  
tournaments that will be started next  
Monday. The committee decided to  
conduct two elimination contests, before  
the regular handicap tournament  
is conducted. The following  
players are entered in the singles:  
Lottes vs. Harding; Larson vs. Reuter;  
Wall vs. Bimler; Curry vs. King;  
Kerr vs. Crowe; Nelson vs. Good; Mc-  
Carthy vs. Wenzel; Lefel vs. Drahn.

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