

EXPLOSION DAMAGES GOVERNMENT PIER

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DYNAMITE CAPS FOUND ON BRIDGE AFTER EXPLOSION

City Rocked and Considerable Damage Done to the State Fish Hatchery—Commander of Militia Throws Cordon of Troops Around Pier—Federal, State and City Authorities Are Investigating.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., May 16.—(United Press)—Four men were killed, and three were fatally injured today when an explosion damaged the government pier near Soo Locks.

A preliminary investigation indicated that the explosion was the effort of plotters to destroy the locks. Unexploded dynamite caps were found on the pier after the explosion. The explosion rocked the entire city and considerably damaged the state fish hatchery nearby.

Major Wilson, commanding the militia guard, threw a cordon of troops about the pier.

Federal, state and city authorities are investigating.

The locks are apparently undamaged.

LOCAL CENSUS BOARD READY FOR ORDERS

CENSUS MARSHALLS APPOINTED TO SERVE IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF COUNTY—LIST GIVEN.

Sheriff Warnick, County Clerk McCormick, and County Physician Graham composing the local war census board are ready as soon as the final instructions are received to proceed with the registration of the men who come within the age limit set at Washington which will be between the ages of 21 and 31. The local board has been perfecting the organization and with the help of 36 able lieutenants in every precinct of the county will be well prepared to handle this difficult task.

Interesting Information.

Some of questions those registering must answer are as follows:

Name, in full.
Age, in years.
Home address.
Date of birth.

Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which).

Where were you born (town, state and Nation)?

If not a citizen, of what country are you a subject?

What is your present trade, occupation or office?

By whom employed?

Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)?

Married or single (which)?

Race (specify which)?

What military service have you had? Rank; branch; years; Nation or state.

Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)?

Required Information.

Extracts from the war census bulletin No. 2 that has been issued states that imprisonment will be the penalty for failure or any neglect of any official to perform his duty fully in regard to taking the census of the conscription law. Imprisonment will also be the penalty for those who disregard the conscription and registration. It should be the patriotic duty of every citizen in this entire county and state to present himself at the first call for registration and without any hesitation on his part, willingly perform any duty he may be called upon to do.

In this way those taking the census will not only be greatly assisted but it will raise the citizen above the suspicion that he is a slacker. A county jail term will be the penalty

Wilson Urges Committee On Suffrage

Washington, May 16.—(United Press)—President Wilson has written Chairman Pou, of the house committee on committees, urging the appointment of a special committee on woman suffrage.

ITALIANS ARE GAINING GROUND NEAR CORIZA

SEVERAL THOUSAND AUSTRIAN PRISONERS TAKEN—HEAVY ITALIAN GUNS ARE EFFECTIVE

Rome, May 16.—(United Press)—Italy's great offensive is gaining ground. Over a front of twenty-five to thirty miles the artillery is active and the infantry advancing. Several thousand Austrians are prisoners.

The fighting is very heavy on hills behind Coriza, where the greatest force of the Italian drive was launched.

The heavy Italian guns there are particularly effective and heavy losses are being inflicted.

The Wheat Market.

Chicago, May 16.—(Special)—July—Open \$2.38, high \$2.40, low \$2.10, close \$2.30. Sept.—Open \$2.13, high \$2.13, low \$1.98, close \$2.07. Portland Club, 2.75, Bluestem \$2.80.

"Mobilize For Fly-Fighting."

Washington, May 16.—(United Press)—"Promptly mobilize all fly-fighting equipment such as screens, fly-traps, fans, etc., so the first flies may be captured."

This official order went forth from the bureau of animal industry today. It was the first gun in the 1917 spring offensive against the pest. Every energy of the bureau will be devoted to a big early smash against flies in the packing house districts, where millions of them breed unless precautions are taken.

Dr. R. E. L. Holt returned this morning from a business trip up the branch. He was among the passengers who spent the night out on the line.

for the slackers.

Census Marshalls Named. The war census marshalls appointed by the sheriff are as follows:

Alice—Homer Littleton.

Antelope—G. F. Haller, Union R. F. D.

Big Creek—G. W. South, Medical Spring.

Cove No. 1—T. W. Conklin.

Cove No. 2—C. H. Powell.

Elgin No. 1—Lee Tuttle.

Elgin No. 2—Ray Patten.

Elgin No. 3—Arthur Hallgarth.

Elgin No. 4—Jesse Crum.

Hilgard—J. W. Scott.

Hot Lake—William Banton, La Grande R. F. D. No. 2.

Imbler—Sherwood Williams.

Island City—H. H. Clearver, Alice.

Kamela—Walter Spear.

La Grande No. 1—L. H. Russell.

La Grande No. 2—H. P. Oliver.

La Grande No. 3—John P. Rusk.

La Grande No. 4—Dan Wilson.

La Grande No. 5—L. P. Day.

La Grande No. 6—C. D. Huffman.

La Grande No. 7—Frank Bay.

La Grande No. 8—C. P. Newlin.

La Grande No. 9—H. J. Ritter.

La Grande No. 10—Howard Davis.

La Grande No. 11—L. J. French.

La Grande No. 12—H. W. Riley.

La Grande No. 13—H. C. Vinacke.

Perry—N. Y. Stoddard.

North Powder, No. 1—Henry Heas.

North Powder, No. 2—A. E. Lambert.

Starkey—J. W. Smith.

Summerville—C. W. Oliver.

Union No. 1—W. W. Stevens.

Union No. 2—Tony D. Smith.

Union No. 3—M. F. Davis.

Union No. 4—B. F. Wilson.

RUSSIA GETS 100 MILLION FROM U.S.

LOAN COMES AS A SURPRISE TO MANY ALTHOUGH IT HAS BEEN RUMORED FOR WEEKS

UNREST IN RUSSIA MAY HAVE CAUSED DECISION

Ceremony Took Place in Secretary McAdoo's Office, Secretary of Russian Charge Onon, Counsellor Polk and Assistant Secretary Treasurer Crosby Attending—Considerable Portion of Loan To Be Spent in U. S. for Supplies.

Washington, May 16.—(United Press)—The United States today loaned Russia a hundred million dollars. Although rumored for weeks the loan was a distinct surprise.

It is believed that the growing unrest caused sudden decision of the United States and lead to immediate financial aid to the provisional government.

The ceremony took place in Secretary McAdoo's office, Secretary of Russian Charge Onon and Counsellor Polk being present. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Crosby also attended.

The movies recorded the signing of the documents.

It is understood considerable portion of the loan will be spent here for railroad supplies.

AMERICAN FLOTILLA SOMEWHERE AT FRONT

London, May 16.—(United Press)—The American destroyer flotilla is "now at the front," somewhere in European waters, so the Admiralty announced. Rear Admiral Sims is commanding.

Army Bill is Still Further Delayed

Washington, May 16.—(United Press)—Further delay of the army selective service bill was forced.

Representative Good of Iowa moved to recommit the second conference report with instructions to hold out for higher increase in pay for enlisted men.

The House voted to recommit from three hundred ninety-nine to one hundred seventy-seven.

Hospital Statistics of N. Y. Startling

New York, May 16.—(United Press)—Although there is no shrapnel flying around the streets of New York so many people are killed and hurt daily that a complete casualty list would look like an official battlefield statement, according to United Hospital statistics, made public today.

They show somebody is injured in the streets every 23 minutes and every 14 hours one is killed there. In the last 12 months 4224 persons met violent deaths in New York, 1147 were killed by falls, 765 died in street accidents and 428 burned to death.

Pittsburg Boosters Hunt New Business

Pittsburg, May 16.—(United Press)—Pittsburg started a vigorous offensive for more trade today when Father Pitt sent 200 of his favorite sons out on a special train to blaze new business trails throughout southwestern Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

The boosters will make short "whoop-er-up" stops at Uniontown, Pa., Morgantown, Fairmont and Clarksburg, W. Va., tomorrow, Marietta, O., Sistersville, New Martinsville and Wheeling, W. Va., on Thursday and Washington, Pa., on Friday.

Miss Ethel Hanley returned from Pendleton Monday evening where she attended the wedding of Miss Wells.

SPOKANE IS THREATENED BY HIGH WATER

PEOPLE OF PEACEFUL VALLEY DISTRICT LEAVING HOMES IN BOATS—MANY BRIDGES OUT

SEVERAL TOWNS FLOODED IN INLAND EMPIRE

Railroad Transportation and Telephone and Telegraph Communication With Many Districts Is Severed—Thousands of Acres of Farm Lands Are Flooded and Over a Thousand People Homeless.

Spokane, May 16.—(United Press)—Parts of Spokane is under water and the people in Peaceful Valley District are leaving their homes in boats.

The bridges are threatened and the water is still rising. Many bridges throughout the Inland Empire are washed out and several towns are flooded.

Railroad transportation and telephone and telegraph communication with many districts are severed.

Thousands of acres of farm lands are flooded and over a thousand people are homeless.

GOVERNMENT EXPLAINS HOW TO REGISTER

NO ONE BETWEEN DESIGNATED AGES IS EXCUSED FROM REGISTRATION—NO EXCEPTIONS

Washington, May 16.—(United Press)—The war department made the following announcement regarding the registration of citizens liable to draft:

"The war department wishes to impress upon the people that there is only one day for registration. All males between the designated ages must register on the day set. The fact that five days were allowed for the placing of the necessary blank forms in the hands of the registrars appears to have misled some headline writers. One day only—the day fixed in the president's proclamation—will be devoted to registration.

"It should be clearly understood that no male resident of the United States between the designated ages is already in the military or naval service of the United States; that is, a member of the regular army or navy, the marine corps, coast guard service or that part of the national guard now actually in the federal service. Registration is distinct from selective service. Registration is a necessary preliminary to the later process of selection.

"It is useless to ask registrars to excuse anyone from registration. The registrar has no such powers. No one can suspend the law requiring all to register.

"Many questions are asked daily at the war department concerning the registration of traveling men and other absentees. On the sixth day after the date of the president's proclamation anyone subject to registration who expects to be absent from his home on registration day should go to the clerk of the county where he may be staying, if he is in a city of over 30,000 population the city clerk is the official to whom to apply. The absentee will be told how to register and a registration card will be filled out. This card must be mailed by the absentee so as to reach the registrar of his home precinct by registration day. The clerk to whom the absentee applies is not empowered to issue the absentee a registration certificate. This is issued by the registrar in his home precinct.

"Persons too sick to present themselves for registration must send a competent person to the county or city clerk on the sixth day after the date of the president's proclamation. The clerk will be given instruction for registration."

RUSSIAN PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT REJECTS TERMS

British Steadily Gain Around Bullecourt

London, May 16.—(United Press)—The British are steadily gaining at Bullecourt and north of the Scarpe. The fighting is continuing with unabated violence, General Haig reported today.

GERMANS FAIL TO MAKE GAIN ON FRENCH LINE

FRENCH HOLD POSITIONS AND CLEAR GERMAN TRENCHES IN HAUT—OTHER GERMAN ATTACKS FAIL

Paris, May 16.—(United Press)—A tremendous German attack on a front of two and a half miles between Moulin and Laffaux, was repulsed, it was stated officially today.

Despite the strong German attacks, the French hold their positions. The battle continues.

In Haut, the French cleared the German trenches, imprisoning many. Elsewhere the German attacks failed.

BERLIN ADMITS LOSS OF ZEPPELIN "L" 22

Amsterdam, May 16.—(United Press)—Berlin officially admitted the loss of Zeppelin "L" twenty-two which has been missing since Monday.

The British Admiralty Monday stated that they forced down "L" twenty-one over the North Sea.

Ban Is Put On Meat Throughout France

Paris, May 16.—(United Press)—Meat is taboo throughout France today. The government's schedule of two meatless days a week went into effect. For three months, on Tuesdays and Fridays, no kind of meat can be eaten in any restaurant or home. The restriction was accepted by the people with a spirit of full cooperation as in making its order the government pointed out that this was merely a "wise precaution," pending the receipt of food supplies from the United States.

By the middle of August, it is expected a steady stream of meat products will be coming in from America, and the ban will then be lifted. Vegetable substitutes for meat were served in many cafes today.

Blanche Black Wins Trip To Salt Lake

Miss Blanche Black won the final honors in the Oratorical contest last evening in the L. D. S. Tabernacle. Joseph Cooper of Boise representing the Boise Stake and Miss Black representing the Union Stake were the contestants. The winner of this contest is rewarded with a trip to Salt Lake City June 8, 9 and 10 where representatives from all over the United States will meet and contest for the final honors. Miss Black's chosen subject which she spoke upon last evening was "Fellowship," her opponent Mr. Cooper delivered his oration on the subject "Prayer."

The judges for the evening were Attorney Hodgkin and Professors Hampton and McNeil. Their decision was unanimous in Miss Black's favor. A very large audience was in attendance after which they adjourned to the home of Mrs. George Lyman, where a banquet was tendered to Mr. Cooper. Miss Black is to be congratulated upon the winning of this honor and delightful trip.

Mrs. J. W. Baxter, Sr., of Cove, recently operated on at the Grande Ronde hospital is reported to be improving rapidly.

WORKERS AND SOLDIERS COUNCIL PROFFERS TERMS FOR COALITION GOVERNMENT WITH NO SUCCESS.

DISAGREEMENT ARISES OVER FOREIGN POLICY

Provisional Heads Hold that Government Could Not Make Renunciation of Principles, Announced on April Ninth—This Would Be Necessary If Council's Terms Were Accepted—Decision Leaves Russian Situation Wide Open.

Petrograd, May 16.—(United Press)—The provisional government today decided to reject the terms of the workers and soldiers council proffered for a coalition government. The duma refused to approve the council's insistent demand for certain foreign policies.

Provisional heads held that the government could not make renunciation of the principles announced formally April ninth, which would be necessary if the council's terms were accepted.

The decision leaves the Russian situation wide open.

MINISTER MILINKOFF RESIGNS FROM DUMA

Petrograd, May 16.—(United Press)—Paul Milinkoff, the Russian Foreign Minister, resigned. This is the second retirement from the Duma Ministry within the last three days, the previous one being Minister of War Gutchkov.

Milinkoff has been under heavy fire from the soldiers workmens council since he announced the provisional government's approval of all existing treaties signed by the autocratic government.

M. Terschenake, former Minister of Finance, succeeds Milinkoff.

A. F. Kerenky, now Minister of Justice was appointed Minister of War.

Street Fighting Wide Spread in Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires, May 16.—(United Press)—Rioting with widespread street fighting between large forces of police and strikers is reported from Montevideo, Uruguay.

The rioting is the result of a general strike of five thousand employees of the American Packing Houses.

Many are reported killed, but exact details are unavailable.

The following registered at the Imperial hotel, Portland, May 14: Mrs. E. D. Taylor, Enterprise; Theda Bolons, La Grande.

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