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A LLOYD GEORGE OF RUSSIA HAS APPARENTLY BEEN FOUND

A. F. KERENSKY, A RADICAL
SOCIALIST AND MINISTER
OF WAR AND MARINE
MAKES IMPRESSION.

PLEADS THAT RUSSIA MUST REMAIN IN WAR

Kerensky, in the Orders to Troops and Sailors, Shows That He Would Demand Implicit Discipline—Duma Adopts Resolutions Warning New Government That "Absolutely Unshaken Loyalty to Our Allies" Is Essential.

Petrograd, May 19.—(United Press)—It appears that a Lloyd George of Russia has been found. He is A. F. Kerensky, a radical socialist and the minister of war and marine in the new coalition cabinet. In a speech Kerensky pleaded that Russia must stay in the war. In the orders to troops and sailors it is indicated that Kerensky would exact implicit discipline. The Duma adopted resolutions warning the new government that "absolute, unshaken loyalty to our allies" is essential.

GERMAN DRIVE ON REVISION OF TREATIES

Petrograd, May 19.—(United Press)—Russia's new coalition government insists on a revision of all existing treaties pledging Russia with the Allies.

The government will demand full publicity of war aims and peace terms. The government does not demand the publication of present inter-Ally agreements and treaties, signed by the old regime. The government insists these old agreements be abrogated and new compacts replace them.

It is stated by a British Socialist delegation here announce they recommend such steps to their governments.

The Wheat Market.			
	Open	High	Low
July	\$2.23	\$2.40	\$2.23
Sept.	\$3.05	\$3.20	\$3.02
Club			\$2.66
Bluestem			\$2.72

MILITARY MAN- EUVERS PROMISE ENTERTAINMENT

COMPANY M WELL TRAINED
FOR TOMORROW'S CER-
EMONIES—PREPARATIONS
HAVE BEEN MANY.

FUNCTION BEGINS AT TWO O'CLOCK SHARP

Elks' Band to Give Short Concert
Down Town and Then March to
Parade Grounds and Join in the
Afternoon's Entertainment—Base-
ball Game To Be Played Between
Company M and Local Team.

Nothing has been left undone to make tomorrow's military maneuvers at the fair grounds interesting and instructive. Last evening Company M, under command of non-commissioned officers who acted as major, adjutant and company commanders, executed a formal battalion parade on the parade grounds in front of the grand-stand, and the smoothness and precision with which the ceremony was executed indicates that the maneuvers tomorrow will run off smoothly.

The function begins at 2 p. m. promptly. The Elks' band, which shares jointly in the proceeds with Company M, will give a short concert up town and then march to the grounds where it will play as the crowds assemble. Everyone should be in his seat, and each automobile at its parking by 2 o'clock. The maneuvers in which the band will participate will continue an hour or more and will be followed later in the day by a baseball game between Company M and a local team.

Automobiles can be parked on the race track, except immediately in front of the grand-stand, provided they are backed to the outside fence.

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Local Banks Will Receive Subscriptions To Liberty Loan

Subscriptions Are Opened By U. S. Treasury for Ad-
ditional Issue of \$200,000,000 of Treasury Certificates—
They Pay 3 1-3 Per Cent Interest, and Mature July 13.

Both of the local banks have received the following telegram authorizing them to receive subscriptions to the new government loan of \$200,000,000:

San Francisco, Cal., 4:33 p. m., May 18, 1917.—As fiscal agent for the United States treasury department the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco is authorized and directed to receive subscriptions in its district for an additional issue of two hundred million, three one-quarter per cent treasury certificates maturing July thirteenth, nineteen seventeen, on which date payments should be made to this bank for the credit of the treasurer of the United States.

Subscriptions will be accepted until two hundred millions shall have been subscribed and then closed; denominations one thousand, five thousand, ten thousand and one hundred thousand, payable to bearer at maturity. These certificates will be payable at option of holder at treasury department, Washington, or at this bank. These certificates will be receivable at par and accrued interest in payment of accepted subscriptions for Liberty Loan Bonds. The secretary strongly recommends that these certificates be widely distributed and to that end rate of three one-quarter per cent has been established, with the particular purpose in view of encouraging sale of these certificates to investors and smaller banks, even in those districts where higher money rates usually prevail and thus to bring about a gradual, general preparation throughout the country for a convenient method of anticipating payments for the Liberty Loan.

The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, urgently requests your immediate and effective assistance to the end that the proportion of this district may be promptly subscribed and these certificates as generally and widely distributed as possible in order to avoid particularly any dislocation of business which might be caused by the payments for Liberty Loan Bonds were not these payments prepared for and to some extent anticipated by subscriptions to and distribution of these short term certificates.

A. KAINS,
Governor, Federal Reserve Bank.

ARMY DRAFT PROCLAIMED BY WILSON

JUNE 5 IS REGISTRATION DAY—
AGES 21 TO 30 INCLUSIVE
ALL MUST ANSWER THE
CALL

Washington, May 19.—(Special)—President Wilson's proclamation putting into effect the selective draft provision of the war Army bill, signed last night, follows:

A proclamation by the President of the United States:

Whereas, Congress has enacted and the President has, on the 18th day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, approved the law which contains the following provisions:

Section 5—That all male persons between the ages of 21 and 30, both inclusive, shall be subject to registration in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by the President; and upon proclamation by the President or other public notice given by him or by his direction stating the time and place of such registration, it shall be the duty of all persons of the designated ages, except officers and enlisted men of the regular army, the navy and the national guard and naval militia while in the service of the United States, to present themselves for and submit to registration under the provisions of this act, and every such person shall be deemed to have notice of the requirements of this act upon the publication of said proclamation or other notice as aforesaid given by the President or by his direction; and any person who shall willfully fail or refuse to present himself for registration or submit thereto as herein provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction in the District Court of the United States having jurisdiction thereof, be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year, and shall thereupon be duly registered; provided that in the call of the docket proceedings shall be given in courts trying the same to the trial of criminal proceedings under this act; provided further, that persons shall be

Men Between 21 and 30 Called.

Today He Addressed Blue Mountain Grange—Tonight On Streets of La Grande—Monday at Shops and Mill—Tuesday at Luncheon and to Automobile Owners of Union County.

B. S. Worsley, a member of the grange who is here in the interests of the good roads bond issue will speak tonight on the streets of La Grande at 7 p. m. on the road bond issue.

This morning he attended a meeting of the Blue Mountain grange. He will spend a few days in this vicinity.

Monday he will speak at noon to the O.-W. shopmen and at 5:30 p. m. at the Palmer mills. Tuesday noon he will speak at the business men's luncheon and Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the city hall when there will be held a meeting of all the automobile owners of Union County to discuss the bond issue.

NICARAUGUA BREAKS WITH GERMANY

Washington, May 19.—(United Press)—Nicaragua has broken relations with Germany.

Mr. E. Polack has left for Portland.

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LABOR DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Railroads Encourage Buying Of War Bonds

Portland, Ore., May 19.—(Special)—To encourage employees to buy war bonds, the Union Pacific, the Oregon Short Line, the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company and all subsidiary corporations today has a standing offer to advance money to employees for the purchase of war bonds, according to a statement made public by J. D. Farrell, president of the Oregon-Washington company. "I trust that every man and woman in our organization intends as a patriotic duty to subscribe to the 3 1-2 per cent Liberty Loan bonds about to be issued by the government to carry on the war," the statement reads. "The loan must be made a conspicuous success and to enable every employee to participate in this patriotic purpose the company will upon the request of any such employee make subscription for his or her account to any amount of bonds not exceeding twenty-five per cent the employee's yearly salary and will advance the whole subscription price, charging interest at the rate of 3 1-2 per cent per annum, being the same rate as borne by the bond." The Union Pacific system has subscribed for \$5,000,000 of the Liberty Loan bond issue. Thousands of employees in the three northwestern states alone can take advantage of this offer.

ASK FOR SWEEPING POWERS TO FIX WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOR IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE

BILL IS DESIGNED TO ELIMINATE STRIKES

President Is Given Power of Ap-
pointing Nine Men With the Con-
sent of the Senate—Does Not De-
prive Labor of the Prerogative to
Cease Work Individually or Col-
lectively.

Washington, May 19.—(United Press)—The labor department presented a bill to Congress creating a United States Commission of Industrial Adjustment with sweeping powers to fix wages and hours of labor in interstate transportation.

The bill is designed to eliminate strikes and lock-outs.

The proposed commission is to be composed of nine members, the President appointing with the consent of the Senate. The bill gives drastic powers to intervene in labor wars.

The bill does not deprive labor of the prerogative to cease work individually or collectively, or prevent employers from discharging men. By controlling wage increase or other changes laboring conditions it is thought the cause for strikes will be removed.

The proposals of the bill are similar to the recommendations the President presented to congress last February.

GERMAN DRIVE FORMIDABLE RESULTS SMALL

FRENCH RETAIN POSITIONS IN
FACE OF TERRIFIC DRIVE
EXCEPTING ONE POSITION

BRAYE AND CRAONNE ARE POINTS OF ATTACK

German Losses Are Tremendous—
Hindenburg Masses Reserve Forces
—Number of Raiding Encounters
Reported by General Haig But No
Actions of Major Importance.

Paris, May 19.—(United Press)—Germany today launched a formidable drive west of Braye over a wide front, it is officially stated.

The French artillery smashed the drive, except at one point, where a few German groups succeeded in gaining French advanced positions.

The Germans, using liquid fire and a tremendous storm artillery, determinedly counter attacked north-west of Rheims.

The Germans strove vainly around Braye and Craonne to force the French to relinquish ground General Nivelle gained. Their losses were tremendous.

NO CASUALTIES IN WRECK OF STANDARD

ALL PASSENGERS AND MEM-
BERS OF THE CREW TOOK
TO LIFEBOATS AND LATER
WERE RESCUED.

San Francisco, May 19.—(United Press)—There were no casualties when the cannery steamer Standard grounded in Bristol Bay.

It was reported today that all passengers and members of the crew took to the lifeboats and had been rescued.

US WAR BUDGET PASSES SENATE

Washington, May 19.—(United Press)—The Senate passed the greatest war budget in United States' history, carrying three billion, three hundred and forty-two million dollars.

The bill provides for appropriations for military and naval establishments and authorized the President to use unlimited power in purchasing and constructing ships.

DISTRIBUTION OF MILITIA IS ANNOUNCED

OREGON, WASHINGTON, IDAHO
TO TRAIN IN WESTERN DE-
PARTMENT PROBABLY
IN SOUTH

Washington, May 19.—(United Press)—The war department today announced the distribution of the militia.

The militia from the twelve middle-western and northern states are to be sent to the southern department along the border. The New England and Atlantic states are to train in the southeastern department.

The Oregon, Washington and Idaho militia in the twentieth division will train in the western department. The war department is endeavoring to fix training camps for northern militia as far south as possible.

The militia units will preserve their identity. There is a plan considered whereby the militia retains the state designation when merged with the national army.

Washington, May 19.—(United Press)—The war department announced that the selective service troops from Oregon, Washington and Idaho are to be assigned to the western department.

ENLISTMENTS COVER WAR PERIOD ONLY

Washington, May 19.—(United Press)—Starting today, enlistments in the regulars or militia contain the specific stipulation that enlistment covers war period only.

Next Tuesday's Luncheon.

Chairman Selders of next Tuesday's business men's luncheon announced today that arrangements were to be made with B. S. Worsley of the good roads committee to speak at the luncheon next Tuesday on the road bond issue. The luncheon will be held at the Foley Hotel. All interested in this issue should be present at the luncheon and hear it discussed fully.

Rev. Ford's Lecture.

Rev. H. L. Ford delivered an interesting lecture on New Zealand at the Christian Church last evening. Special music was given which was thoroughly enjoyed. A large audience was in attendance.

Archibald W. Geddes of Pocatello is here on a visit with parents of this city.