

GERMAN GOLD SUPPORTS AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS

LETTERS ARE SENT WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO ASSASSINATE RUSSIAN CABINET.

PAPERS ARE BEING PUBLISHED UNHINDERED

Russia's Armies in Their Advance Between July First and Thirtieth Capture 834 Officers and 35,809 Men—900 Troops Taken Prisoners Yesterday.

Petrograd, July 16.—(United Press) Germany is sending seven hundred spies into Russia to attempt the assassination of Minister of War Kerensky, General Brusiloff and other leaders, according to information obtained by the Russian intelligence department. A strong body guard was immediately ordered for all officials.

Russia's advancing armies from July first to July thirteenth, captured eight hundred and thirty-four officers and thirty-five thousand eight hundred and nine men and a vast store of military supplies of all kinds according to the war office statement. Nine hundred troops and sixteen officers were taken prisoners yesterday.

PROF. J. B. HORNER OF O. A. C. AT FOLEY

J. B. Horner, professor of history at the Oregon Agricultural college, arrived in the city today with his wife and they are staying at the Foley. He intends to remain in the city until Thursday morning at which time he will meet Ex-Governor T. T. Geer and both will go to Joseph where they are scheduled to speak before the Walla Walla County Pioneer association.

Professor Horner speaking of the O. A. C. in connection with the eastern part of the state and especially La Grande said in part: "During the Spanish-American War, William Hanley, the Sage of Burns, in referring to the young men of Eastern Oregon, said 'The average bunch-grass boy is physically able to cope with Roosevelt's Rough Riders; and with college training he can become competent to sit in the President's cabinet.' College and universities endorse Mr. Hanley's statement, and for this reason they seek more students of the kind. The young men and their sisters as well have made a record true in higher institutions of learning wherever they have gone.

"The grave question at this time is whether young men will stand out as leaders or as subalterns in the great conflict which is on. Out of nearly four thousand students in the Oregon Agricultural college last year, nearly four hundred have offered their services to their country. Others under instructions from the U. S. War Department have decided that they can render their country the most patriotic service by remaining in college until their services are called for by the Government.

"In this connection it will be interesting to know that the Oregon Agricultural college has been selected by the War Department of the U. S. as

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GERMAN RIOTERS ARE AMONG I. W. W. MEN

MEN ARRESTED NOT OFFICIALLY ACCUSED—HELD UNDER PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION.

Washington, July 16.—(United Press)—The arrest of German rioters and inciters among the I. W. W. disturbers in Arizona and Montana was announced to the Department of Justice.

The men arrested are not officially accused of inciting German interests. They are held under the President's alien enemy proclamation for examination. Careful investigation failed to disclose the source of money at the rioters' disposal. Officials said I. W. W. agitators are classed as anarchists and may be imprisoned until some connection is established between the central organization and the German propaganda.

La Grande Welcomes Editors

The State Editorial association certainly enjoyed themselves.

They arrived on a special train last night at six o'clock and left after half past nine o'clock but in that brief time, they received a wonderful impression of La Grande and realized the hospitality of her citizens, saw our beautiful park, were served with a collation in the pavillion, listened to speeches, enjoyed automobile rides, and left all hoping to come again and to be able to stay, longer.

When the six coach special train of Pullmans rolled into the station, the Commercial club which had complete charge of the entertainment here, was there to meet the editors with committees of gentlemen and ladies, and the members of the La Grande Press club were also there to assist in the welcome.

With arrangements perfected that went off like clock work, President Holmes and his committees escorted the visitors and their ladies to the automobiles that were waiting and they went spinning about the city, seeing the various places of interest. The newspaper men were much impressed with the paved streets, the public buildings, the city water system, and various other marks of public spirit as well as the evidence that La Grande is a home city, with lumber mills and railroad shops which employ labor.

After the ride the party arrived at the park and the beauty of the grove, and the stream, and the cool shade was very grateful to the guests. After strolls through the park, which all admired, a buffet luncheon was served, at which the home people mingled socially and fraternally.

A group of the younger people and some of the active metropolitan and Pendleton newspaper men were entertained by the Speed 'Em Up club, which took them out for an inspection of the race track.

President Holmes presided as toastmaster at the speeches which followed and which occupied the meeting.

Fred B. Currey welcomed the newspaper men on behalf of the city in a short speech in which he told of many of the things which make La Grande a city of happy homes.

Clarke Leiter also welcomed the newspaper men to his home city of which he is proud and to the home people commented upon the spirit of modern journalism, which is one of patriotism and service.

R. N. Stanfield, speaker of the House of Representatives told of the work of the state council of defense and of the fact that it had offered the position of secretary to Bruce Dennis.

Mr. Holmes expressed the satisfaction that he felt that this important position had been offered to a La Grande man.

Mr. Dennis was then called upon and in a speech full of emotion which was plainly noticed by the audience expressed the dilemma in which he had found himself, the desire to engage once more in the newspaper business and to serve the country by organizing the various counties and communities for the council of defense. He said he had finally decided to accept what he felt to be the call of duty. Addison Bennett spoke in a humorous vein of some of his newspaper experiences, telling stories that got the laugh.

W. L. Thompson, state highway commissioner, told of the work of the commission and that he was going to work for the interests of the state at large as well as the local communities through which the roads passed. So far as possible local needs will be served by the state roads as well. He said that he hoped that work would soon begin on the road between La Grande and Pendleton.

Frank Irvin, of the Oregon Journal, spoke in a light vein, delighting his audience with his stories and his evident enjoyment of the whole trip which he described entertainingly.

Edgar B. Piper also spoke in a light vein, and paid his compliments to Mr. Irvin, Senator Pierce and others, assuring the people of La Grande how much he had enjoyed the opportunity to visit the city.

Mr. Piper made a motion that the

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EDITORS ARE PLEASED WITH THE SPEEDWAY

SPECIAL RAILROAD RATES BETWEEN ALL POINTS FROM HUNTINGTON TO PORTLAND.

ROAD TO BE SPRINKLED BETWEEN CITY AND TRACK

Local Transportation Problem Working Out to Satisfaction of Directors—Transportation Committee Asks All Cars That Have Not Reported To Do So At Once.

Last night, while members of the State Editorial Association were listening to eloquent speeches, some of the more restless ones, mostly from Portland and Pendleton, quietly left the park and motored out to the speedway to see for themselves the much touted oiled track. To say that they were pleased with what they saw, is putting it mild. They were elated over the fact that they hadn't missed viewing the speedway and enthusiastic over the splendid condition of it. The Pendleton boys went home determined to push the "Speed 'Em Up" and bring a crowd here on the two racing days.

Special railroad rates for the races have been announced and include the territory from Huntington to Portland inclusive, including stations on Condon, Heppner, Joseph, and Shanks branches, also from Walla Walla, Washington. The special rate given is one fare and a third for a round trip. Regarding the dates of sales from stations, west of Pendleton, July 20 will be the only sale date while from other authorized selling stations tickets may be purchased on July 20, 21, or 22. The final return limit is July 23.

The local transportation question is working out to the satisfaction of the directors and many applications from trucks and pleasure cars to run on 25 cents have been received. The transportation committee consisting of A. W. Nelson, Ernest Veris and R. J. Green are anxious that all who want to make the passenger run to the track, report to them at once so that they can line up on the exact number of cars. As stated before all cars except the licensed taxis will make the run for 25 cents one way and will carry a car to that effect. All 25 cent fares or 50 cent round trip fares will be sold at booths and all cars will collect according to the number of tickets they hold at the time of settlement. The licensed taxis will charge 50 cents for one way fare and will also carry a card stating the fact.

The roof on the grand stand is under construction and will be finished within the next few days. A fence along the famous "rubber neck row" which caused such a loss to the organization last year, is being built so that the free fare seeker will be disappointed this year. The road between here and the speedway will be sprinkled so that those going out to the races will not have to follow in the wake of another car's dust.

The speedway will be opened to the public each evening this week but the warning is again given not to race on the track. If you feel the speed field working on you it is better that you stay off the track, because as stated before there is enough speed on the track every day and you will help the racing boys by taking it slow.

This afternoon the "Speed 'Em Up" boys started on a booster trip and will cover the towns of Union, Cove, Elgin, Imbler and Alicel.

Four German Submarines Are Destroyed

Berne, July 16.—(United Press)—According to German reports, American warships conveying the first expeditionary force destroyed four of the latest German type submarines.

Three Killed, And Five Are Wounded

Washington, July 16.—(United Press)—Three men were killed, including one American and five were injured including two American guards, in the submerging of the American steamer Grace, the State Department announced.

The Salvation Army will hold their picnic for children at the park next Tuesday. All are welcome who want to come.

PEACE IS BIG QUESTION WITH THE GERMANS

STRUGGLE DEFINITELY TURNS UPON NEXT PEACE STEP PUT FORWARD IN REICHSTAG.

GERMAN PAPER REPORTS PEACE DEMONSTRATIONS

Large Crowd Saw General Hindenburg Depart for Conference—Cries of "Give Us Good Peace," "Give Us Early Peace," Are Heard.

Amsterdam, July 16.—(United Press)—The international struggle turned definitely upon the question of peace terms today. The next step in the political fight will come on the peace resolutions which will be put forward by majority of parties in the Reichstag. The Lokal Anzeiger reported a popular peace demonstration when General Hindenburg left for grand headquarters following a conference with party leaders in Berlin. A large crowd saw General Hindenburg depart. Some immediately arose as Hindenburg appeared and cried "Give us good peace." Then many cried: "Give us early peace." The new chancellor Michael has made a statement of his policy.

FRENCH ARE TERRIFICALLY BOMBARDED

CONCENTRATE IN DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO FORCE BACK GENERAL PETRAIN'S TROOPS.

French Headquarters, July 16.—(United Press)—The most terrific bombardment that Germany has yet concentrated against the French was massed Saturday night in a desperate attempt to force back General Petrain's troops from his new positions around Moronville Crest.

Today, with the consolidation of the French lines effected the French grip is tightening with viselike hold. The French hold the trenches dominating Moronville Crest.

INTERNED MEN OWN PROPERTY HAVE FAMILIES

MANY LIBERTY LOAN SUBSCRIBERS, REGISTERED FOR DRAFT, SUBSCRIBERS TO THE RED CROSS.

Columbus, July 16.—(United Press)—Property owners, men with families, Liberty Loan subscribers, men registered for draft, and contributors to the Red Cross are interned here with the I. W. W.'s according to the leaders.

At the request of army officers the leaders began a census. Four hundred and thirty-three men are married, three hundred and nine have children and two hundred fifty-six claim to own property in Bisbee. Sixty-two are former soldiers of the United States army.

Soldiers Decorate Tombs. Paris, June 25.—(By Mail)—One of the three American troopers who carried the magnificent wreath of 500 roses to Picpus cemetery where General Pershing decorated the tomb of Lafayette on June 15, performed the same honor at the tomb of the Emperor of Japan. He helped shoulder the great wreath which ex-Secretary of State Knox placed on the Emperor's last resting place in 1912.

The Observer has received a postal card from Mr. and Mrs. George Young of Boston, July 10, "Just returned from Cambridge and Lexington. Some grand drive. We are with the Oregon bunch. Very cool and plenty of fun going on. Wish you were here with us."

GERMANY SENDS SPIES INTO RUSSIA IS INFORMATION

Joseph Is Fine Host To Editors

Joseph was a gracious host yesterday to the State Editorial Association. The special train left Pendleton, the Round-Up city, which had showered the editors with the most elaborate attentions, at 10:30 p. m. Saturday night and came to La Grande, arriving about 1 a. m., where President Farrell and his party in his private car joined the train.

The arrival was made at Joseph at 7 a. m. and from that time a most enjoyable day was spent. The entertainment was in the hands of the following committees of the Joseph Commercial Club under the leadership of Jay Dobbin and J. Ross Leslie and they certainly did things up brown.

General arrangements—J. Ross Leslie, Frank Kernan, Paul Wilson, Hugh Wilson.

Fate—Wade Siler, Tildon Morelock.

Entertainment—A. M. Rowells, F. D. McCully, A. K. Parker, F. H. Gaulke, Dr. Pittenger, F. F. McCully. Transportation—Dr. Albert Mount, L. E. Caviness, A. J. Richardson. As soon as the visitors rubbed the sleep out of their eyes they emerged

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Case Of Hen Leni Is Now Being Argued

Argument is being made in the case of State vs. Hen Leni, who is charged with complicity in the killing of Wm. Eng. Crawford & Cochran are arguing the case for State and defense to the jury this afternoon. Tomorrow Judge McGinn will close for the defense and Hodgins for the State.

In the case of Chong Bing, the jury disagreed and were discharged last Saturday.

RUSSIA OCCUPIES IMPORTANT GALICIAN CITY

Rome, July 16.—(United Press)—The Russian occupation of Dolina, an important Galician city is reported. The Austrians, it is declared, were thrown back into the Carpathian mountains.

The Weather.

Portland, July 16.—(United Press)—The U. S. weather forecast, "fari."

S. W. Tully, of Wallowa, is registered at the Imperial, Portland.

Horace Walter, of Corvallis, representing the Oregon Fire Relief association of McMinnville, Ore., spent Saturday and Sunday with his brother, W. P. Walter, of this city.

Today Is Pay Day.

Today is pay-day for the O. W. employees. J. H. Keeney had a bunch of checks big enough to choke a horse. He was smiling broadly. He was asked what he was smiling about and he said that he smiled because he always liked to make people happy. The reporter guesses that the payroll was pretty large this month.

Grays Harbor Mills Are Short Handed

Hoquiam, July 16.—(United Press)—All mills at both Hoquiam and Grays Harbor districts are operating short handed as a result of the I. W. W. timber workers' strike. The former was called this morning. The I. W. W.'s are picketing all mills heavily.

Senate Asks Secretary For Information

Washington, July 16.—(United Press)—The senate passed a resolution today directing the Secretary of Commerce to disclose the system whereby the recent draft figures were obtained and the figures themselves.

EFFECTIVE PROPAGANDA WORK AMONG AMERICANS IS LAID BEFORE STATE DEPARTMENT

INFORMATION OBTAINED BY RUSSIAN OFFICERS

Statesman of International Reputation Says Ministers Are Using Their Holy Offices to Turn Americans Into German Sympathizers.

Washington, July 16.—(United Press)—Evidence that millions of German gold is still being poured into effective propaganda work among Americans was laid before the State Department today. A statesman of international reputation told the United Press that German papers are being published unhindered under the very noses of the American government.

"Hundreds of ministers are using their holy offices to turn Americans into German sympathizers," he declared. The condition is not local but countrywide. One of the biggest papers in the Kaiser's pay is published in the east." It was declared that the Allies should organize their own propaganda work more strongly in neutral countries.

GERMAN TROOPS ARE BEING WITHDRAWN

Washington, July 16.—(United Press)—German troops are being withdrawn in large numbers from the Italian and French fronts and sent to Riga for counter-offensive against Russia, according to the Russian Embassy dispatches. The Russian Baltic fleet is prepared for action.

AMERICAN RED CROSS CHARTERS SHOW VAST GAIN IN NUMBER

Washington, D. C. July 16.—(Special)—The following statement is issued by the Red Cross:

The rapid growth in chapters of the American Red Cross since declaration of war with Germany is shown in figures just compiled by the department of chapters. On February 1 Red Cross chapters numbered only 272; on July 1 the number had reached 1,534, a gain in five months of nearly six times the number of chapters organized during the previous five years of the society's existence.

During Red Cross week, from June 18 to 25, when more than \$115,000,000 was subscribed for the Red Cross war fund, a record was set in the organization of Red Cross chapters. Under the stimulus of local campaign committees permanent chapters of the Red Cross were organized in more than 200 cities and towns where previously there had been no official Red Cross organization.

Iowa leads all states in the number of chapters formed during the past month. In Iowa there are now 112 chapters actively engaged in Red Cross work. New York follows with 110 chapters and Pennsylvania is third with 96 chapters.

Indiana Best Organized.

Indiana, this report shows is more thoroughly organized for Red Cross work than any other state in the Union. Every part of the state is under the jurisdiction of a chapter. Michigan is also well organized, as is New York State with the exception of a small stretch of mountainous territory up state. In other states Red Cross organizations which before had existed chiefly in the cities are rapidly spreading to every town and village. Under the guidance of the woman's bureau, just organized in the Red Cross it is expected that this work in the small towns and villages will be pushed even more energetically.

Outside the United States Red Cross chapters have also been organized by the department in Haiti, Guam, Porto Rico, Cuba, and the Canal Zone. Other new chapters have also been started in Syria, Persia, Turkey, and in several South American cities.

Chapters By States. The number of Red Cross chapters in various states, as shown by

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