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PEACE BUREAU IS ESTABLISHED BY GOVERNMENT

STATE DEPARTMENT DECLARES
NOT CONNECTED WITH
PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

E. M. HOUSE WILL BE
HEAD OF NEW DEPARTMENT

Will Be U. S. Representative to
World Peace Conference; Collec-
ting Data Now.

(United Press.)

Washington, D. C., Sept. 28.—The State Department announced today that the Government had established a peace information bureau with Colonel E. M. House at the head.

Simultaneously the department emphatically declared that the creation of this bureau was not connected with the peace negotiations. The announcement indicates that the President intends to have House head the United States representatives in the world peace conference.

House will collect historical, commercial and geographical data intended for the peace conference.

SHIP BUILDING PLANTS
CLOSED AT 'FRISCO.

(United Press.)

San Francisco, Sept. 28.—All ship building plants remained closed here today. Resumption of work under a temporary agreement between employers and iron trades council was planned, following the announcement that the boiler makers refused to accept the temporary agreement, the employers kept the plants closed. Officials of the iron trades council, called to action by lookouts called an emergency meeting of their unions.

MAN WITHOUT HANDS
CULTIVATES GARDEN.

(By United Press.)

Quincy, Mass., Sept. 28.—One of the best cared for and most productive gardens in this town is owned and cultivated by James Donovan who has been without hands for 27 years.

Through all these years in spite of his misfortune Donovan has planted and cultivated a model garden. This year is no exception and he is very proud of it.

Donovan works by gripping his garden tools between the remnants of his arms.

HEFLIN WITHDRAWS CHARGES
AGAINST CONGRESSMEN

(United Press.)

Washington, Sept. 28.—Representative Heflin withdrew his charges against the integrity of certain congressmen, Chairman Pou of the house rules committee, declared today.

Pou announced that house committee opposed the investigation of Bernstein's slush fund.

Pou explained that Heflin's statements were made in a heated debate which has since been disavowed.

Norton, of North Dakota, asked permission to discuss the committee's decision. Heflin objected. Immediately Norton strode to Heflin's seat, seized Heflin and shook him. Other representatives and sergeant at arms separated the two.

CITY COUNCIL WILL INSPECT WATER INTAKE

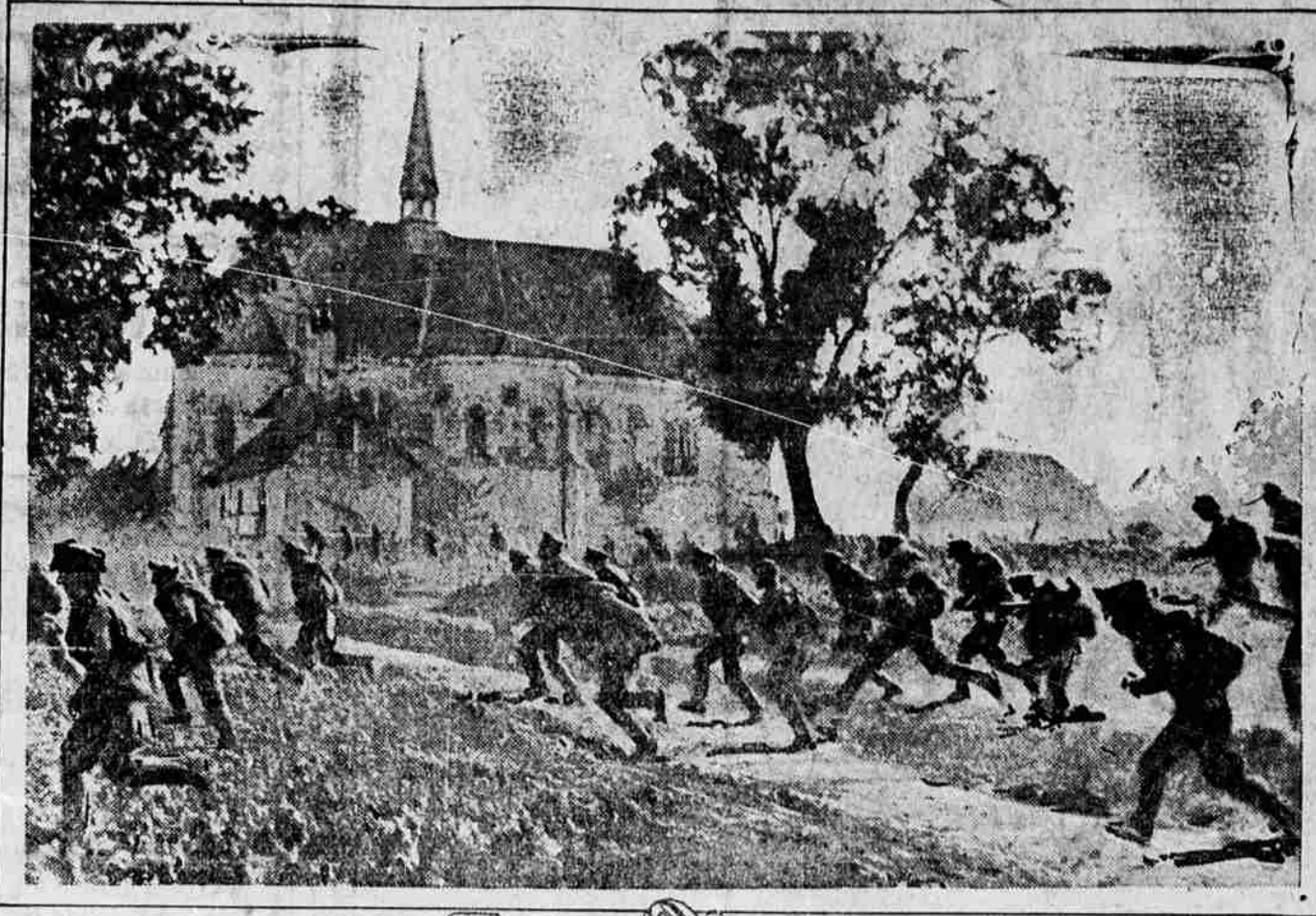
The City Council held its regular meeting last night. The discussion of the water problem took up most of the time and it was decided that the commission members should make a trip to the Beaver Creek intake to investigate the condition since the water has been drained. The trip will be made Sunday.

The City Manager reported the water all drained from the reservoir and a good supply of fresh water flowing in Beaver Creek.

City Treasurer John Collier was ordered to call for city warrants to the amount of \$10,000.

The case of Eastman vs. Chief of Police Reyburn, was not brought up for discussion.

THIS SNAPSHOT OF FLEEING RUSSIANS MAKES VIVIDLY REAL THE SLAV RETREAT.



The photo shows a striking scene during the recent revolt of Russian soldiers on the eastern front. At the cry "The Germans are coming," whole regiments of Russian troops ran for their lives. This snapshot was taken on the edge of a village immediately after the rumor that German cavalry had broken through the front line spread among the Russian troops. Note that practically all of the fleeing soldiers have thrown down their rifles and kept only their roll blankets and food.

PHONOGRAPH GIVEN HOSPITAL BOYS MISSING

Music hath charms for more than the savage breast evidently, for when the Hospital boys checked up on their list of gifts from their La Grande friends, a large phonograph, presented by W. H. Bohnenkamp & Company was missing. J. G. King, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who had charge of getting the articles onto the train, says that although the phonograph was loaded onto the truck at the depot it evidently was not placed on the train. He is afraid the machine was stolen.

"If anyone knows anything about the instrument I would appreciate it if the party would notify me at once," said Mr. King.

"If it was stolen someone is guilty of a mighty despicable trick."

War Shortens French Dresses

(By United Press.)

Paris, Sept. 8.—(By Mail.)—War restrictions invariably arouse protests but the limiting of woolen material for women's dresses to four and a half metres (about five yards) has been accepted without a murmur—evidently with alacrity. This measure was readily accepted by the dressmakers' syndicate when the government pointed out its advisability.

The tendency of fashions had been towards even ampler proportions of skirts. Since the war skirts underwent a shortening process. The question was whether the fashion of ample skirts should continue and the quality of the material deteriorate, or whether a radical alternative, explaining to their clients that it is essential for the prestige of French fashion that no concession be made to the quality of material for tailormade clothes in order to preserve the impeccable line which is so essential.

One of the chief considerations, so the leading Paris tailors declare, is American custom, which would fall off if it were found that Paris clothes were of inferior material.

The restriction only applies to materials containing wool, so that for evening gowns and indoor dresses, of non-woolen material, those who prefer flowing lines and full skirts will be able to indulge their fancy as before.

As striking contrast to the severe and simple tailormade, which will prevail in outdoor places, will be the exotic toilettes which several of the big firms are about to launch for evening wear, some of which are direct copies of Chinese models.

Mrs. G. Barns of Winnemucca, Nevada, passed through here this morning on her way to San Francisco.

Born, Wednesday, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Miles, a baby girl.

ARGE CROWD AT WALLOWA COUNTY FAIR

SECOND DAY ATTENDANCE
REACHES 3500; MANY
FEATURES.

Enterprise, Sept. 28.—(Special.)—Thirty-five hundred people attended the second day of the Wallowa County fair here yesterday. From the time the gates opened until they were closed at midnight thousands thronged the grounds, inspecting the grounds and attending the races.

The big feature of the day was the singing contest between the glee clubs of the Enterprise, Joseph and Wallowa High Schools. Enterprise won by scoring 95 out of a possible 100 points, Joseph took second with a score of 91 and Wallowa third with 85. The members of the Portland Ad quartet judged the contest. The Ad quartet sang several times during the day and scored a big hit.

Patriotism was the theme of the day and a feature of the program was a chorus composed of Enterprise school children.

An Indian war dance by Chief Philip McFarlin's Indians and tumbling by Francisco, a clever acrobat, were also included in the afternoon's entertainment.

The results of the races were as follows:

One mile novelty—Dorothea, time, 1 min. 49 3-5 sec.
One-half mile cowboy race—Bill Officer first; Screwdriver, second.
Five-eighths mile — Round and Round, 1 min. 9 sec.
One-quarter mile, free for all, Company Maid.
Three-eighths mile, free for all—Molly.

Enterprise school was awarded first place in the school exhibit but the displays will probably be re-judged.

RUSSIAN DESTROYER SUNK WITH ALL ABOARD

(United Press.)

Petrograd, Sept. 28.—The Russian destroyer Okhotnik was mined and sunk with the loss of all aboard except 11, it is officially announced.

L. W. W. LEADERS WILL BE INDICTED IN CHICAGO.

(United Press.)

Chicago, Sept. 28.—It is indicated that wholesale Federal indictments will be returned against the L. W. W. leaders.

Federal authorities have ordered the police to be ready to assist the Federal officials. It is understood that over 100 indictments will be returned.

O'NEILL FAILS TO GET THREE FALLS IN HOUR

AFTER DOWNING NOREGAARD
TWICE, TIME EXPIRES
BEFORE THIRD.

By failing to throw Noregaard three times in an hour Jack O'Neill lost the handicap match at Enterprise last night.

O'Neill succeeded in getting two falls but was unable to get the third in the prescribed time thereby losing the match.

The first fall went to O'Neill on a toe hold at the end of 26 minutes and 23 seconds of strenuous wrestling. Noregaard won the applause of the crowd many times by his ability to slip out of holds.

After a few minutes rest the men returned to the mat and after five minutes O'Neill had Noregaard down for the second fall with a hammerlock and body scissors.

After this fall Noregaard tightened up and held his opponent off until the time expired.

As a preliminary Kid Archie, 148 pounds, of British Columbia and M. W. Delany, 128 pounds of Tacoma put on the gloves for a three-round match, Kid Archie winning.

The Vosberg brothers promoted the match.

LOYD-GEORGE IS NOT A BEAU BRUMMEL.

(By United Press.)

London, Sept. 1.—(By Mail.)—A lady wrote a horrified letter to the newspapers that she actually saw Lloyd-George in Cockspur street with "a distinct crack right across the left boot. The newspaper claims that Lloyd-George is very quick on his feet and that rather nowadays is a treacherous fabric; furthermore that Lloyd-George never had any leanings towards dandyism.

BOOTLEGGER TRIES PERFUME; DOESN'T GET AWAY WITH IT

(United Press.)

Portland, Ore., Sept. 28.—"Bet it's camouflage," muttered the cop as he stood on the station platform and smelled the perfume which came in clouds from two large trunks.

"Bet some bootlegger is trying to make prohibition's front line trenches under a barrage of perfume and toilet water," he mused.

The cop took the trunks to the station and found five gallons of fine California whiskey in each.

GERMANY HAS LOST OVER HALF OF MEN ENROLLED

(United Press.)

French Headquarters, Sept. 28.—Germany has 6,800,000 soldiers left of the 14,000,000 enrolled during the war.

Approximately 5,500,000 are actually fighting and 600,000 are reserves. 700,000 constitutes the classes of 1913 and 1920; are boy soldiers.

German losses normally total from 70,000 to 80,000 monthly.

(United Press.)

London, Sept. 28.—German losses in the last two battles in the Zeon-nebeke district far exceeded the slaughter of the enemy since the first Ypres battle. General Maurice, director of operations, told the United Press today.

CAMP LEWIS' HOSTESS HOUSE NOW NEARLY COMPLETED.

(United Press.)

Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 28.—The Hostess House at Camp Lewis will be completed in about two weeks, Miss Grace Southwick, special worker for the National War Council of the Y. W. C. A., said today. The house will have a nursery, a cafeteria, a big glassed-in porch and a large central room with comfortable chairs and furniture for women who go to the camp to see soldier friends and relatives.

RUSSIA HAS NO FLAG SINCE THE REVOLUTION.

(United Press.)

Helena, Mont., Sept. 28.—Russia has no flag. A committee of citizens wanted to decorate the city with the flags of the nations fighting for democracy. The committee wired Elihu Root for information about the Russian emblem.

"Russia has had no flag since the revolution," Root replied. The new republic is in the same fix as the United States at the time the Declaration of Independence was signed.

WASHINGTON SHIPPING JELLY TO THE FRONT

(United Press.)

Puyallup, Wash., Sept. 28.—Sammies in France will eat Washington jelly.

W. H. Paulhamus, manager of the co-operative cannery here, said the cannery's jam department was shipping a carload of jams and jellies to the Atlantic coast for shipment on to France every other day. In the last few weeks the association has received government orders for 25,000 cases of jam, much of which will go to the cantonment camps in all parts of the country.

Paulhamus said a shipment of 2230 cases of blackberry jam has just been billed for Hoboken, N. Y., for Americans in France.

FINE SHOWING IN FUND MADE BY ENTERPRISE

W. F. BREWSTER SAYS WORK IS
BEST IN STATE; COLLECT
10c PER CAPITA.

HALF OF \$1,000,000
ALREADY COLLECTED

Reports to Date Indicate That \$1,000,000 Will Be Raised by Monday; Oregon Behind.

Portland, Ore., Sept. 28.—(Special.)—Through Mrs. S. D. Keller, Enterprise has raised \$125, or 10c per capita. This is easily the finest showing in the entire state, says State Director W. L. Brewster.

Portland, Sept. 28.—(Special.)—Despite the fact that Oregon seems to have fallen somewhat behind its War Library quota, indications now point to the National \$1,000,000 fund being complete by next Monday. Reports from Washington at noon today declared that half the total had already been reached.

Of Oregon towns, based on reports to noon today, The Dalles, with an assurance of \$600, would seem to head the list, although Astoria announcing it had collected \$323, declares the final total will be around \$600. Baker heads the list of actual cash received at Portland headquarters \$493, being totaled with the campaign incomplete, so Baker also may lead the list eventually. The Eugene total has been raised to \$240 with Roseburg reporting \$140.

Late returns from Pendleton, La Grande, Klamath Falls, Marshfield, Corvallis and Albany may change this. The total state returns at noon were \$7300. The country record is held by Washington, which raised six times its quota.

In fact eastern cities have surpassed the West per capita in this campaign, reversing previous experience. The largest subscriptions number 1,000 in New York City.

EDWIN CARRY APPOINTED TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR

(United Press.)

Washington, Sept. 28.—Edwin Carry of Chicago, President of the Haskell-Baker car company and member of the ship-building wage adjustment board, has been appointed director of the transportation of the shipping board was announced today. Carry will direct the operations of the new merchant-marine.

MADAME SUKHOLINOFF WILL BE SENT TO PRISON

(United Press.)

Petrograd, Sept. 28.—Madame Sukhulinoff, the butterfly wife of General Sukhulinoff, convicted of treason, has asked the Government to send her to prison with her husband. His wife's "extravagance" drove Sukhulinoff to sail out to Germany, friends say.

GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACKS ARE REPULSED BY BRITISH

(United Press.)

London, Sept. 28.—Bitter German counter-attacks continued last night, Haig reported.

British artillery, rifle and machine-gun fire repulsed all of the attacks. Isolated strong points south of the tower of Hamlets and south of the Polygon Wood were cleared of Germans.

SETTLEMENT OF STRIKE SEEMS NEAR AT HAND

(United Press.)

Portland, Sept. 28.—Representatives of the striking shipyard workers and the employers expected to confer soon. The strike leaders have cancelled plans for wholesale picketing. The authorities have postponed the trials of the strikers who were arrested.

Peace seems near. Both sides winning their compromise, slightly.