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PRESIDENT WILSON'S SPEECH HAS EFFECT ON AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

Papal Nuncio at Vienna Reports That Outline of War Aims Has Tremendous Influence in Arousing Opposition to Militarism

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Mr. Wilson's Speech Has Given Impulse to Democratic Peace Ideas—Industrial Chaos Is Reported—Emperor Karl Clashes with Pan-German Leaders.

ROME, Jan. 21.—The papal nuncio at Vienna reports to the Vatican, Austria-Hungary is stirred by President Wilson's outline of war aims and is smouldering with opposition to militarist Germany.

It is understood he described the situation as "most critical for the Teutonic military combine."

He asserted President Wilson's speech had given a remarkable impulse to democratic peace ideas there.

Industrial chaos of more than local nature is reported. Grave differences developed between Emperor Karl and pan-German leaders.

It is reported the Kaiser is trying to smooth the difference by supporting Foreign Minister von Kuehlman again von Buelow whom Austria hates.

REGISTERED MEN MARRIED SINCE MAY 18 ARE NOT EXEMPT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Provost Marshal Crowder announced, registered men married since May 18 will not be exempted. He instructed Federal agents to appeal to district boards all cases where the local boards had granted these exemptions for dependents.

GERMAN TROOPS CROWD BELGIUM

PARIS, Jan. 21.—Six hundred thousand Germans were brought into Belgium the past few weeks. Belgium is crowded with men and munitions, it is reported. Amsterdam says Austrian troops are filling one Belgian province.

GERMANY IS JUBILANT

SEPARATE UKRAINIA PEACE IS HAILED WITH JOY

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 21.—Germany is jubilant over the Ukrainian peace pact. The Ukrainian decision to act apart is a severe blow to the Bolshevik hopes.

Shippers Need Not Prove Actual Damage

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The Supreme Court decided shippers awarded reparation by the Interstate Commerce Commission for excessive freight can collect without proving actual damage.

Senator Stone Calls Down Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Senator Stone addressed the Senate and threw a challenge for Republican criticism of the administration war program, as campaign ammunition, declaring Roosevelt "the most potent agent of the Kaiser and the most seditious man of consequence in America."

America. He denounced those "making politics of war" and called Roosevelt a menace and obstruction to the successful prosecution of the war. He said he ought to be prosecuted for some of his writings.

Chamberlain Introduces His War Bills

PRESIDENT DISAGREES AND VOICES DISAPPROVAL TO CONGRESSMEN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—In the face of President Wilson's opposition Senator Chamberlain introduced a war cabinet bill, following a Democratic conference at which President Wilson voiced his disapproval of the bill.

LA GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS ON TOUR

The La Grande high school basketball team are in Portland training for a series of games to be played during this month. More than one thousand miles will be covered in their travels, which will be the longest high school athletic trip ever made in the state of Oregon.

Their first game is scheduled with the Franklin high school on January 22. From there they will go to Corvallis, playing Corvallis high school on January 23; on January 24 a game will be played at Eugene with U. of O. freshmen; January 25, Walla Walla high school, and on January 29 they will compete with the Pendleton high school, thence home.

The following men comprise the team: Stoddard, B. Ash, Garrity, Lyman, J. Ash, McDonald, Taylor and Coach Reynolds.

THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, Jan. 21.—The U. S. weather bureau forecast: "probably rain."

BOYS AND GIRLS' GARDENS

Free Packages of Vegetable Seed Will Be Furnished By Observer As Long As the Supply Lasts.

The Evening Observer has half a mail sack of vegetable seed from the Government for distribution. All girls and boys who intend planting vegetables this Spring will be furnished free with packages of vegetable seed until the supply is exhausted. Apply at the business office of the Observer.

RAILROADS NEED MILLION SAYS MCADOO

SECRETARY OF TREASURY APPEARS BEFORE SENATE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED TO FIT THEM FOR WAR

Says Congress Should Not Limit Federal Control to Definite Period—Does Not Believe in Government Ownership.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Secretary McAdoo told the Senate interstate commerce committee a billion dollars must be advanced for railroad improvements before they are on an effective war basis.

He forecast the continuation of Federal control when he said Congress shouldn't limit government control to any definite period, saying financial chaos would likely result.

He said he did not believe in government ownership, but believes in a greater measure of federal control hereafter.

He said the Garfield fuel order would probably be discontinued after thirty days.

Bill Drafts Workers Into Gov't Service

SENATOR McCUMBER INTRODUCES MEASURE AFFECTING RAILROAD AND SHIP-YARD WORKERS

(United Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Senator McCumber has introduced a bill drafting into government service all males between the ages of 18 and 62, including all railroad workers and shipyard laborers. The bill also commandeers rooming houses to house the workers.

GEORGE H. CURREY, JR. SPENDS DAY IN LA GRANDE

George Huntington Curry, Jr., editor and owner of the Malheur Enterprise paid the Observer a pleasant visit yesterday. Editor Curry was on his way to Portland for a short visit. He reports everything at Vale to be in a prosperous condition. Very few feeders have been sent to the Idaho feeding grounds by the cattle men this year owing to the open winter. To date Vale has had only two inches of snow and many cattle are still grazing on the upper ranges. Vale always ships in a large amount of hay but this year the stockmen have not had to feed and the imports have been small.

The Malheur Enterprise under the management of Mr. Curry has become one of the prominent weekly papers of Eastern Oregon and has a circulation in excess of seven hundred and receives 15 cents per inch for its local advertising and 20 cents per inch for all intercontinental or out of town advertising. Verily the owner of the Malheur Enterprise is to be congratulated on having a bright newspaper, a first class modern plant and a prosperous business.

Assembly Is Dissolved.

(United Press.) PETROGRAD, Jan. 19. (Delayed.)—The constituent assembly has been dissolved by the Bolshevik authorities. It is officially announced. Sailors guards closed the assembly at 4 o'clock this morning and a decree of dissolution will be issued.

FRENCH SOLDIERS REJOICE OVER U. S. AID



The Sammites are coming! The soldiers in this French camp had just heard latest reports of the number of United States soldiers about ready to leave their training camps behind the lines for the firing front. The photographer caught two of them doing a French version of the Highland fling, in celebration of the arrival of this aid in crossing the Boches.

News at Home and Abroad

UKRAINIA AGREES ON SEPARATE PEACE AMSTERDAM, Jan. 21.—Berlin reports Ukraina agreed with Germany on a separate peace basis.

EUROPEAN CLOTHING PIRATES OVERCHARGE WITH THE AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY ARMY, France, Dec. 18.—(By Mail.)—Pretty soon the clothing pirates of Paris and London will begin to realize there's a war on. It's a war of prices.

When an American officer can buy trench boots for \$9 from the quartermaster's canteens, there'll be a slump in sales in the forty-dollar boot stores. And nine dollars is the price fixed for leather trench boots. The first supply is on the way.

Boots will be followed by a stock of whipcord breeches to sell at \$7 a pair. Just now you can buy a fairly good pair of whipcords in a Paris military tailor shop for about \$20, and in London they cost \$25.

Sam Brown belts are another article of officer's equipment which will be sold through the quartermaster at bed-rock prices. Some of the officers who bought belts in New York before sailing paid as high as \$20 for them. The quartermaster will sell them for \$8 each.

And there will be trench coats with the detachable lining, for \$28. There seems to be no limit to the price of warm-lined trench coats in Paris and London. They can be had for \$40 and they run to \$60 and over.

All the big officers' outfitters in Paris and London claim they are selling at the lowest possible prices. They blame the high cost of equipment on scarcity of labor and material.

Maybe that's so; but you can get a uniform from a civilian tailor in the American headquarters town for about \$35. And a good Paris tailor wants about \$55 for a suit, a difference of \$20.

And the quartermaster will undersell them both.

FIVE THOUSAND U. OF P. MEN SERVE

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21.—Five thousand graduates of the University of Pennsylvania have enlisted in the war and are either on the battlefields of Europe or in training camps in this city.

Eighteen Penn men already have given their lives for the cause of world democracy, according to compilation made under the auspices of Provost Edgar Fahs Smith.

Approximately forty nationalities are represented in the roster at the University of Pennsylvania in normal times. It is not strange, then, that the Red and blue has several hundred graduates who now are officers in the German army, arrayed against the United States.

"I have only sympathy for them," said Provost Smith in announcing this fact.

On Casualty List.

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—The casualties list gives C. D. Fitzgerald, La Grande, Oregon, wounded and missing; P. Jefferson, Seattle, Wash., wounded.

The Observer printed the news of Private Fitzgerald being missing Friday. Mrs. Hannah Rogers is quite ill at the home of her son, Adna Rogers, on First Street. C. D. Emshier left Saturday night for Portland where he will be for a week or ten days on business.

State War Garden Campaign.

(United Press.) OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—A state-wide war garden campaign will be carried on through the extension service of Oregon Agricultural College. City back yards, empty lots and all other available garden soil will be put into cultivation if the plans are successful. Through a central organization to be known as the Food Production and Conservation Committee, the campaign will be handled.

AMERICAN RED CROSS NAILS GERMAN LIES

At Time of Italy's Severe Reverses, Spies Were Spreading Word That America Was Unfriendly to Italy and Didn't Care What Happened

MAJOR MURPHY CABLES HOW PROPAGANDA WERE MET AND PROPAGANDA CANCELLED

When Red Cross Help Reached Italy, Refugees Were Streaming Down from the North—Pathetic Conditions Existed—Red Cross Opened Shelters and Distributed Supplies, Money and Milk to the Helpless.

(By George Martin, United Press Staff Correspondent) WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The American Red Cross nipped a flourishing German propaganda against America in the bud by carrying the Stars and Stripes and needed relief into Italy at the time of Italy's first severe reverse—according to a cable from Major Murphy to Chairman Davison of the Red Cross War Council received here today.

Spies were rapidly spreading the word that America was unfriendly to Italy, didn't care what happened to her and was afraid to antagonize Austria. The people believed the stories. Major Murphy's graphic cable speaks for itself:

"When we reached Italy, refugees, were streaming down from the North. Indescribably pathetic conditions existed. The unexpected military reverse had stunned the nation. Rumors of all sorts were in the air.

"A vicious propaganda had spread the report that America was not friendly to Italy; that we were not interested in the war and even that we were afraid to antagonize Austria, as well as Germany.

"America apparently had no available means of expression. Congress was not in session. Our army could not act. Fortunately, the Red Cross was in a position not only to respond immediately to the call of the suffering, but also to carry the message of the American people to Italy in the hour of her distress.

"Working in conjunction with our own State Department and the Italian government, we used every available means of supply and distribution to assist the ally of our country. Within approximately two weeks after our arrival we had established warehouses and branch warehouses to supply all important points.

"We opened shelters for homeless women and children. We distributed condensed milk to little children.

"We dispatched three emergency workers on a tour of Italy, with five hundred thousand lire in small bank notes, to give immediate aid where it was needed.

"At the presentation of our first three ambulance sections to the Italian army, through the general of the division, there were represented our own state department, the French army, the British army, the Italian Red Cross, and the military sanitary department of the government. As our sections passed through the streets on their way to the front, after the ceremony, the streets were filled with enthusiastic crowds and American everywhere.

"Whatever else we may have done, we have raised the American flag from the other, and our youngsters today are helping to hold the Piave line."

K. C. DRIVE A GREAT SUCCESS

The K. C. drive is now in its final stages. Workers in the outside towns are putting in their final liks and the final reports will soon be in. It will take a day or two to hear from the outside points. La Grande has raised over \$2,000 and the final figures are not all in.

It is certain that the drive has been a success. General Chairman Meyers and chairman of the executive committee are well pleased with the hearty cooperation received. The Catholic ladies realized well over \$100 as the result of their card party Friday night.

Elks Initiate Forty New Members

The Elks held a big initiation last Saturday night when a special meeting was held and forty members, mostly from Wallowa county, were initiated. The Wallowa party was met at the train with the Elks' band and the visitors put into a big wagon and a parade formed. After the initiation a social meeting was held and refreshments served.

Newspaper Film. "The Making of a Newspaper," a film showing the Oregonian plant in Portland, will be shown at the Arcade tonight. This is an interesting educational film.

Austrian Cabinet Has Resigned

VIENNA DISPATCH TO A BERLIN NEWSPAPER GIVES THE REPORT

(United Press.) AMSTERDAM, Jan. 21.—The Austrian ministry has resigned, according to a Vienna dispatch to the Berliner Morgen Post. It is reported Count Von Togenburg, Minister of the Interior, is attempting to reform the cabinet.

Cove's Mayor Resigns.

COVE, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—At a special meeting of the City Council Thursday, F. A. Galloway resigned the office of Mayor of Cove, after giving two terms of satisfactory service. Harry Welmer, who has made a good record the last three terms, was elected by the council to fill Mr. Galloway's place.

Turkish Cruiser Sunk.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—In a naval action between British and Turkish forces at the entrance to the Dardanelles, the Turkish cruiser, Midulla, formerly the German Goeben, was sunk and the Sultan Yawuz Selim, formerly the German Goeben, was beached. The announcement was made by the Admiralty last night.