

Allies Applaud Reply--War Goes On

Germany May Break Under Interior Strain-- Maxmillian Resigned

NO CAUSE FOR PANIC

HEALTH OFFICERS URGE PRE-
CAUTIONARY MEASURES

Majority Of Schools Continue Work
—North Powder Closed
Today—Nurses Needed.

An additional way in which the public may co-operate with health officers in preventing the spread of influenza is suggested by the city management,—in avoiding street congregations. Not only is it highly important in the estimation of health officers that children be confined indoors, but it is also urgently requested that their elders exercise the same prudence in regard to themselves.

North Powder School Closes.

Although the order issued Saturday evening by County Health Officer M. K. Hall, applied to places of amusement and public gatherings over the county, the schools of Kamela and La Grande only were ordered closed. North Powder school was suspended this morning a case developing there. Other schools will continue their regular work until further orders have been issued.

Few Cases Reported.

A few new cases have been reported this morning, a number considered serious.

Nurses are still greatly in demand. Anyone willing to undertake the work should communicate at once with Dr. Ray Logan, at Dr. Hall's office, he being chairman of the Red Cross Committee taking charge of the epidemic in La Grande.

FUNERAL OF MR. POLACK THURSDAY

DEFINITE HOUR TO BE GIVEN
TOMORROW — BUSINESS
TO CLOSE.

The funeral of E. Polack will be held Thursday instead of Wednesday as heretofore published. The exact hour will be mentioned in tomorrow's issue of The Evening Observer.

Today, Fred J. Holmes, president of the Commercial Club of La Grande, issued the following order to all business firms in the city: "To all Business Houses in the City of La Grande: I feel that it is fitting at this time to make request that all business of this city be suspended during the funeral hour of our late highly-respected fellow citizen, E. Polack. The Commercial Club, of which the deceased was a director, honors his memory and laments his loss."

TO RECEIVE COMMISSION

Dr. A. L. Richardson yesterday evening received notification that a commission in the medical corps would be telegraphed to him in the near future. Dr. Richardson will be the third of prominent physicians of the county to be called into government service, Dr. M. K. Hall and Dr. William Phyl, of Hot Lake, having already received commissions.

COURT TAKES NEW CASE.

Jurors are being drawn this afternoon for the case of the State v. Price Gates on a charge of larceny by bailment.

The case of the State v. Newlin has been suspended. Likewise sentence was postponed today until the decision has been rendered in the second charge, which has been under hearing Monday and this morning.

OREGON GUARD NOT TO MEET.

Due to the ban issued by the county health officer closing all public places of amusement, the Oregon Guard will not meet for practice this evening.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS ASK KAISER AND CROWN PRINCE TO ABDICATE—POLITICAL UPHEAVAL STRIKES BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA, WHICH MAY MEAN FALLING OF AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—(By United Press.)—While the Allies are driving in both flanks of the great western front salient which is already badly battered, a political strike is reported in Bohemia and Moravia, attended by big demonstrations in Prague. These provinces are in the northern part of Austria near the German border. Should the revolt there prove successful it may mark the beginning of the disintegration of the Central powers, with the overthrow of the house of Hohenzollerns and Hapsburgs.

The French are driving northward in Champagne, west of Grand-Pre, and have taken Olizy and Termes. These towns are on the Argonne western front, above the Grand-Pre pass. Directly north of them is the last stretch of the famous wooded country, but it is believed that it is not so strongly defended as the main forest, already conquered by the French and Americans.

Austria's Naval Base Taken

LONDON, Oct. 15.—(By United Press.)—The Allies have captured Durazzo, principal Albanian port and Austria's great naval base.

PORTLAND LUNCHES TO BE HOOVERIZED

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 15.—In twelve "general orders" addressed to all places where cooked food is sold to be eaten on the premises, the food administration today announced more drastic food regulations than have hitherto been enforced.

The purpose of the regulations is to bring a "direct reduction in the consumption of all food, particularly the staples, rather than a series of emergency regulations such as meatless and wheatless days, and the substitution of one food for another."

In a letter accompanying the regulations it is pointed out that the orders "must be obeyed, for if they are not, the food administration has power to cut off your supplies."

The regulations are necessary if the United States is to supply the allies with 17,500,000 tons of food this year, as promised. They are nation wide.

The general orders prohibit serving any bread not containing at least 20 per cent of substitute flour. Bacon is barred as a garnish, as are bread and toast. Only one meat may be served to a patron at a meal. Meats include beef, mutton, pork and poultry. Not more than a half ounce of butter may be served to one person at a meal. "Double" cream is banned. A teaspoonful of sugar is the limit for a meal. No waste food may be burned, but must be saved to feed animals or reduced to obtain fats.

Restaurants are urged to serve fresh vegetables and fruits wherever possible. The table d'hôte meal is discouraged.

"There is no prospect of a proper ending of the war before the campaign of the summer of 1919," said a statement from Herbert Hoover.

HERE TO START WORK

Arriving here today to start the work in the Government Employment Service and install Charles Reynolds as the acting head for this district, Charles E. Curtin is in La Grande today. The work is for both employee and employer, the government acting as an employment agency with no fees charged.

General von Sander's brilliant escape from Palestine reminds us of the time that the combination auditorium and fire house at Bryan, Texas, was burned down. The fire-engine was saved.—New York Evening Sun.

FULL TEXT OF WILSON'S REPLY

PRESIDENT LEAVES NO DOUBT
IN HIS ANSWER.

Crowned Heads Must Go, According to Expressed Views of the Chief Executive.

While the Observer printed the answer of President Wilson to Germany in last edition last evening, the full text of his reply as forwarded to that government is reproduced, so that every reader may study it carefully.

"The unqualified acceptance by the present German government and by a large majority of the reichstag of the terms laid down by the President of the United States of America in his address to the congress of the United States on the 8th of January, 1918, and in his subsequent addresses, justifies the President in making a frank and direct statement of his decision with regard to the communications of the German government on the 8th and 12th of October, 1918.

"It must be clearly understood that the process of evacuation and the conditions of an armistice are matters which must be left to the judgment and advice of the military advisers of the government of the United States and the allied governments, and the President feels it his duty to say that no arrangement can be accepted by the government of the United States which does not provide absolutely satisfactory safeguards and guarantees of the maintenance of the present military supremacy of the armies of the United States and the allies in the field.

"He feels confident that he can safely assume that this will also be the judgment and decision of the allied governments.

"The President feels that it is also his duty to add that neither the government of the United States nor, he is quite sure, the governments with which the government of the United States is associated as a belligerent will consent to consider an armistice so long as the armed forces of Germany continue the illegal and inhuman practices which they still persist in.

"At the very time that the German government approaches the government of the United States with proposals of peace its submarines are engaged in sinking passenger ships at sea and not the ships alone, but the very boats in which their passengers and crews seek to make their way to safety; and in their present enforced withdrawal from Flanders and France the German armies are pursuing a course of wanton destruction which

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FIRM PRAISE GIVEN REPLY

UNITED STATES SENATE VIG-
OROUSLY APPLAUDS.

Body Remained in Session Till
Late Hours To Hear From
President Wilson.

WASHINGTON, October 15.—President Wilson's reply to the German peace offer was vigorously applauded when read to the senate immediately after it had been made public. The senate had remained in session late in order to receive it.

RAY COUCH SERIOUSLY ILL.

A telegram stating that their son, Ray W. Couch, is seriously ill with pneumonia at a navy hospital in South Carolina, was received this morning by Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Couch, of Island City. Mr. Couch has been in training in a machine gun corps for the past three months. Three weeks ago he was promoted to the rank of second lieutenant and has since been an instructor.

Mr. and Mrs. Couch will leave this evening.

Augustus B. Logan, of Meacham, D. P. Bowman, of Pendleton, and William W. Chelf, of Meacham, transacted business at the land office this morning.

Americans Carrying on Under Severe Pressure Drive the Huns Back

YANKS BOMBARD HUNS FROM FORWARD POSITIONS WITH HEAVY GUNS, AND THEN FOLLOW WITH INFANTRY, CLEANING THEM UP AS FAST AS THEY REACH THEM.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—(By United Press.)—Allies, attacking on land and sea, have thrown the Germans back more than six miles over a thirty-five mile front. Belgians, British and French are participating between Dixmude and Wervico. They captured over ten thousand prisoners and occupied Roulers, Isghem and Menin.

YANKEE PATROL GETS 30 HUNS.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—(By United Press.)—Field Marshal Haig has reported that the American patrol crossed the Selle near St. Souplet yesterday afternoon capturing thirty prisoners.

TWENTY MILES IN THREE DAYS.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Oct. 15.—(By United Press.)—Swinging into the third phase of the Argonne-Meuse battle, Americans have crossed the Aire river capturing Romagne, Cunel, and menacing Chipelle, St. George and Landres, and registering over a twenty-mile advance in three days.

General Gouraud gave high praise to the speed and effectiveness of the Americans.

The infantry attacked yesterday morning, after a terrific night-long bombardment which blasted the Germans from their forward positions, but the Americans encountered deadly machine gun fire which made the advance difficult.

Americans, supported by tanks today stubbornly fought their way forward between the Argonne and the Meuse, seizing a number of German strong points. The weather is damp and cold. The American second army units repulsed all counter attacks. Heavy counter bombardment proceeded during the night, but this morning the heavy guns of the Germans were silenced.

FRENCH TAKE CITIES.

PARIS, Oct. 15.—(By United Press.)—The war office announced today that the French took Barentons-Co, six miles above Loon, and crossed the Aisne west of Grand-Pre at the same time seizing Olizy and Termes.

BELGIANS DRIVEN LIKE CATTLE

PITIFUL SCENES ARE NOW BE-
ING WITNESSED IN
BELGIUM.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 15.—Pitiful scenes are now being witnessed in Belgium as masses of people are driven along the roads by the Germans, according to the Rotterdam correspondent of the Rotterdam Maasbode. On the roads between Brussels and Antwerp, he says the refugees are but one slowly moving army in misery.

Processions of tens of thousands of people who have traveled afoot from northern France—from Lille, Tarcoring and other places—are being driven forward by the Germans. In addition, he declares there are all the male inhabitants of Flanders whom the Germans are likewise removing. Excessive misery exists everywhere.

The headquarters of Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria have been transferred from Thiel to Brussels, the correspondent states.

NO WORK UNTIL FRIDAY.

Mrs. Rosenbaum, superintendent of work for the Red Cross, wishes to announce there will be no work for the ladies until Friday, due to the confusion of moving considerable of the work rooms equipment to the Honan hall.

PRESIDENT WILSON MAKES AN EARNEST APPEAL FOR BONDS

WASHINGTON, October 15.—Renewing his urgent request for support of the Fourth Liberty loan, immediately after writing his reply to Germany President Wilson said:

"Relaxation now, hesitation now, would mean defeat when victory seemed to be in sight; would mean years of war instead of peace upon our own terms."

Coinciding with the president's statement, the treasury department announced that with but five days left in the fourth loan campaign, half of the six billion dollar total remains to be subscribed. That means that the country must invest nearly one billion dollars a day in bonds from now until Saturday midnight, when the three weeks' drive ends.

Official Report \$2,798,419,950 Subscriptions officially reported to the treasury department now total only \$2,798,419,950, but official

TROOP SHIP IS SUNK AT PORT

NO LIVES WERE LOST; VESSEL
WILL BE RAISED.

Troops On Board Forced to Flee For
Their Safety, and Many Lose
Their Equipment.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Oct. 15.—(By United Press.)—The transport America, which was a troop ship, sank at the pier today. Several men are missing. The cause of the sinking is not known.

The America sank in 26 minutes. All soldiers and crew escaped. It is believed the accidental opening of the sea cocks was the cause. It was a ship of 22,600 tons and was next to the Leviathan in size. The America was formerly the German liner "Amerika."

Troops aboard were forced to flee for their lives so hurriedly that many lost their equipment. It is said today the vessel will be raised.

MILLION DOLLARS A MINUTE.

Diplomats Subscribe Quickly When
Schwab Requests.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Within six minutes \$6,000,000 in Liberty Bonds were subscribed here Monday to build six \$1,000,000 ships for the emergency fleet corporation, in response to an appeal made by Charles M. Schwab, the corporation's director general, at a luncheon in honor of foreign diplomats and representatives of the government.

The enthusiasm in the pledging was so great that there was no cessation in the bidding after the amount called for had been raised and \$38,000,000 had been subscribed within 38 minutes.

Within the first hour \$50,000,000 had been subscribed with the pledging still going on.

OLD "LUDDY" GOT MAD.

German Butcher Got Mad When
Note Was Sent.

GENEVA, Oct. 15.—General Ludendorff flew into a rage and offered his resignation last week, according to a report from Munich. The general's ire was aroused when he found that the first German note had resulted in bringing out the fact that the entente would demand an evacuation of occupied territory before the question of an armistice could even be considered. The report does not state whether his resignation was accepted.

BRITISH IN CONFERENCE.

LONDON, October 15.—Lord Reading, British ambassador to the United States, was summoned to a meeting of the war cabinet this morning after a conference with Premier Lloyd George, presumably to give the cabinet his personal opinion regarding President Wilson's war views.

Premier Venizelos of Greece conferred with Foreign Secretary Balfour early this morning, afterward seeing Premier Lloyd George before the cabinet meeting.

John Anderson, proprietor of the Maxwell station, is unloading a carload of Maxwell trucks today.

PROMISE TO SURREN- DER NOT MADE BY HUN

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 15.—Senator Chamberlain of Oregon, chairman of the senate military committee, in a statement Monday opposed accepting Germany's last note, which he said was more a suggestion of negotiations than a promise of surrender.

"I approved of the president's note to Germany, because I felt that it was a diplomatic demand for an unconditional surrender or not. I am in doubt. There should be no doubt in any mind."