

AUSTRIA HAS COLLAPSED

PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT IS IN CHARGE

KNOWLES TO HANDLE THE HOME WORK

CIRCUIT JUDGE TO LOOK AFTER CIVILIAN RELIEF

ALL RED CROSS SECTIONS NOW FILLED FOR YEAR

Work is progressing in Honan Hall—Influenza cuts down attendance yet many ladies continue their regular duties—Home service problems are increasing.

Circuit Judge John W. Knowles is to head the Home Service section of the Red Cross. This was determined today and the appointment completes the officers of different departments for the La Grande chapter for the year. That work in the home section is piling up is evidenced every day from the number of ladies whose husbands are in the service and who need advice on business matters pertaining to their property. The chapter is fortunate in securing Judge Knowles for this place for he will give it his earnest thought and attention.

Every department is now in splendid hands and no work pertaining to the Red Cross in the two counties will be neglected.

In order that information may be had at a glance regarding Red Cross work the following facts relative to work and the names of officers of different departments are given:

All Red Cross work is done at Chapter headquarters in Honan Hall. Overlook meetings will use the Elks building where offices are still maintained by the chairman for consultation purposes only.

The regular schedule for societies doing Red Cross work has not been changed and each society will meet at the time as usual except the meeting will be held in Honan Hall.

Officers of the Red Cross should be consulted on any subject that pertains to work in the different departments as follows:

- Chairman—Bruce Dennis.
- Vice Chairman—Mrs. E. P. Mossman, Mrs. R. W. Logan, Mrs. T. N. Murphy, C. E. Short.
- Secretary—Mrs. Jessie Talbot, office at Honan Hall.
- Department Heads—Military Relief—C. E. Short; Membership—E. E. Kiddle; Home Service—Judge J. W. Knowles; Finance—F. L. Meyers; Salvage and Red Cross Shop—Mrs. T. N. Murphy; Canteen Service—Miss Ryan; Junior Red Cross—A. C. Hampton; Christ-

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LEADERS ARE IN CONFERENCE

UNITED WAR WORK CAMPAIGN DISCUSSED

Methods Suggested for Best Means of Conducting the Forthcoming Drive

Representatives from Baker, Umatilla, Malheur and Union counties are conferring today with J. C. Meehan, state manager of the "Victory Boys and Girls" in regard to the most advisable methods of conducting the United War Work Campaign among school children. A number of similar meetings have been held in different parts of Oregon during the past week.

The county leaders present are: Rev. William Wentwood, Baker; Howard James, Enterprise; Miss Fay Clark, Vale; and Mrs. A. E. Ivanhoe and A. C. Hampton, both of La Grande.

ALLIED PEACE TERMS WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY DEMAND SURRENDER OF GERMAN AUSTRIA HIGH COMMANDS.

Abdication of Kaiser Discussed in Berlin

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PARIS, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—Action equivalent to the surrender of the German-Austrian high commands is believed certain to be included in the armistice terms.

Turkey's surrender indicates that the allies will certainly force the enemy to literally wave the white flag in France and Italy.

Members of the inter-allied council believe that the Hapsburg dynasty is ended, with an Austrian republic probable.

The kaiser's abdication is considered inevitable, the date of his abdication being the only thing that is now uncertain. Confidential advices suggest that the German internal situation is momentarily likely to force abdication.

FILLS A WANT

Hostess Homes Provided By Y. W. C. A. Are Appreciated.

Without the benefit of the Y. W. C. A. hostess house at Camp Kearney the thousands of western soldiers stationed in the big cantonment would be in "bad luck," according to Major General David C. Shanks, the commanding general, who has advised Western Department headquarters of the Y. W. C. A. of the most important part of the hostess house plays. His letter to the Y. W. C. A. follows:

"Among the most useful of all utilities at our various camps, the hostess houses established by the Young Women's Christian Association take high rank. Soldiers undergoing training at the camp are often visited by their relatives and these houses afford a meeting place where the men may see their mothers, sisters, wives, or sweethearts.

"Without the benefit of these hostess houses, our men would be in bad luck, especially if the weather should happen to be inclement when the camp, as is the case of Camp Kearney and Camp Fremont, happens to be of canvas. There is almost no other place at such camps where soldiers may meet their friends and relatives.

"I desire to express my sincere appreciation of the kindly thoughtfulness which has prompted the Y. W. C. A. to provide these useful and attractive buildings for the comfort and pleasure of our soldiers, together with their relatives and friends."

MAKE GOOD ADVANCE

British Report the Capture of a Thousand More Huns.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Nov. 1.—(By Lowell Mellet, United Press Staff Correspondent.)—The British are within three miles of Audenarde, having advanced four miles since yesterday. A thousand more prisoners were taken.

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INFLUENZA GROWS WORSE—NEW, IMPERATIVE ORDERS ISSUED

"The influenza is worse in La Grande today than it has ever been. There are many more cases and the disease is attaining a severe form. I wish to warn the people here and now that no longer can this disease be hidden by families. Reports must be made, according to law, every day so that I can render a daily report to the State Health Department each evening. Again I wish to impress upon the people the seriousness of the present situation."

The above statement was made this afternoon by Dr. A. L. Richardson, city health physician, who is very much worried over the in-

Could Last Six Months.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—(By Robert J. Bender, United Press Staff Correspondent.)—Complete surrender of the Central powers to the civilian forces is drawing nearer, according to official announcement. When Austrian capitulation is completed Germany will face the world alone. Authorities believe that she can hold out six months longer.

Abdication Discussed.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—The Berlin Voessische Zeitung says that the war cabinet is discussing the kaiser's abdication and that Dr. Del Bruck, chief of the party council, will present the abdication documents to Wilhelm.

Allied Reply On the Way.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—(United Press.)—Diplomats believe that the armistice terms are now probably en route to Berlin.

No Official Confirmation.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 1.—(United Press.)—No official confirmation is received of the persistent report that the kaiser has abdicated, says a Berlin dispatch filed at midnight.

AMERICAN FORCES TAKE BRIEULES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—General Pershing announced that the Americans Thursday captured Brioules, on the west bank of the Meuse.

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THE FOURTH LOAN IS OVER-SUBSCRIBED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The Treasury Department today announced that the total subscriptions to the Fourth Liberty Loan is \$6,866,416,300, which is an over-subscription of nearly a billion dollars. The number of subscribers to the Fourth Liberty Loan exceeds 21,000,000.

CONFLICT OVER CLOSING STANDS

STATE ADMINISTRATOR HOLMES AWAITS STATEMENT

Request Through State Council of Defense Not Order States Federal Administrator

That his action hereafter must be either a definite stand following his own policy under the freedom given him by Federal Fuel Administrator H. M. Regua or must conform to the rulings of the state council of defense as governed by the large oil companies was the statement of Fred J. Holmes, Federal Fuel Administrator for Oregon, Mr. Holmes will confer with the Fuel administration's legal council, Claude McCulloch today and determine how far his authority in settling the controversy between the distributors for oil companies in this state and the retail merchants extends.

Briefly told, the local situation is serious, demanding an immediate decision.

Regardless of the request made through the state council of defense and which it now appears was erroneously termed, "officially sanctioned" that all garages and oil stations close places of business promptly at 6:00 p. m. on week days and remained closed all day Sunday, the owners of both the Hilton and Smith garages refused to comply. On that ground they were refused a purchase of oil last Saturday by the representatives of the Standard Oil Company here.

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POSITIVE CURE IS ANNOUNCED

BASE HOSPITAL MAKES PUBLIC THE DISCOVERY

Injections of Coaguin Will Prevent Hemorrhages Following the Influenza

Headquarters at the base hospital, Camp Fremont, has announced the discovery of a positive cure for pneumonia which follows influenza, and which has always been the fatal stage of the disease. The treatment consists of tenorin injection of coaguin and has been found, it was announced, to prevent hemorrhages of the lungs which characterize this new type of pneumonia. The report given at Fremont said, "as a result of numerous autopsies performed on the bodies of soldiers who had died from the disease, the surgeons and found that the pneumonia developing from influenza is in no way like the ordinary pneumonia. The patient undergoes no crisis, and instead of the lung filling with mucus they become so weakened and the blood so thin bleeding results in suffocation of the patient. Heretofore the surgeons have been unable to stop the flow of blood, but it was found with coaguin the blood can be thickened within 20 minutes and the great danger of hemorrhages prevented. Already over 300 cases have been cured at the base hospital. Diphtheria vaccine has been used to good advantage, it not only counteracts the germs, but also thickens the blood, thus preventing hemorrhage."

Hapsburg Dynasty Will Probably be Succeeded By Austrian Republic

AUSTRIAN MARINES SAID TO HAVE REVOLTED, TURNING SHIPS OVER TO HUNGARY.

Field Forces Are Literally Cut to Pieces, and It Is Impossible to Count Number of Prisoners—Vast Amount of War Material Has Been Abandoned.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—Emperor Karl has practically abandoned his shattered government at Vienna.

Zurich advices declare that before leaving Vienna for the Godollo castle, Emperor Karl ordered the authorities to yield without resistance to the new regime.

The Socialists are evidently in power since the Austrian government has become disintegrated.

Copenhagen announces that the new provisional workmen and soldiers' council formed in Vienna is similar to Russia's organization. Karl's action, it is believed, consisted in delivering the government to this council, which is preparing plans for a republic.

Meanwhile the route of the Austrian army continues, and the number of prisoners cannot be counted.

PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT CONTROLS.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—Austria's new provisional government has assumed full power. Crowds outside the building cheered this announcement made by Socialist Leader Renner, waving red flags, say Vienna dispatches.

"DOWN WITH HAPSBURGS."

BERLIN, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—Newspapers declare that a workmen's and soldiers' council has been formed in Vienna. Thousands of workmen are reported to be parading the streets, shouting "Down with the Hapsburgs." Soldiers are joining them in throngs, bearing red flags.

AUSTRIAN MARINES REVOLT.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—It is reported that Austrian marines have revolted, seizing warships at Palo and delivering them to the Hungarians and Jugo-Slavs.

BATTLE FRONT COLLAPSED.

ROME, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—The Austrian front in the Grappa region has completely collapsed, the Italian war office announced. It is impossible to estimate the number of prisoners who are coming from the mountains in droves. All the enemy's artillery has been captured. Italians are complete over-running the Venetian plains.

The war office announced that the Italians have reached Fadalt, twenty miles beyond the Piave, and are rapidly approaching Belluno-Aviano, five miles eastward. Italians have reached Motta Dilivanza, Torro and Dimisto. The war office report further says:

"The twelfth army has forced the gorge of Quero and passed beyond the spur of Mont Ceson, advancing up the Piave valley."

WAR MATERIAL ABANDONED.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—An official Italian dispatch declares that the Austrians have evacuated Udine, abandoning vast quantities of war materials.

ITALIANS ENTER BELLUNO.

ROME, Nov. 1.—(By United Press.)—Italians have entered Belluno, battle front dispatches declare. Austrians are evacuating Udine.

OBTAIN COMPLETE CONTROL.

ON THE ITALIAN FRONT, Nov. 1.—(By Henry Wood, United Press Staff Correspondent.)—The Italians have completely severed communications between the Austrian armies in the Piave and Trentino regions, obtaining complete domination of the Piave gorge from Feltré to Belluno.

MONEY WASTED SAYS HUGHES

REPORTS ON AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION MADE PUBLIC

There Is No Fault to Find in This Department Since Ryan Took Charge

Washington, Nov. 1.—Long awaited report on the aircraft investigation, conducted during the last five months by Charles E. Hughes and Attorney General Gregory was placed before President Wilson yesterday and made public.

Delays and wastes of the production program, the report declares, were due chiefly to "defective organization of the work of aircraft production and the serious lack of competent direction of that work by the responsible officers of the signal corps."

No fault is found with the management of aircraft affairs since reorganization of last May which placed John D. Ryan in charge. The civilian personnel of the aircraft production board is exonerated of wrong doing.

Gregory Approves Report

Attorney General Gregory, in a letter transmitting the report to President Wilson says he is in "substantial accord" with the findings by Mr. Hughes.

The report finds no "graft" in the general accepted sense, but makes recommendations for proceedings against army officers held guilty of dealing with corporations in which they are interested.

The chief waste from the original appropriation of \$691,851,866, the report says, was in the abandonment of two types of airplanes—one of them the Bristol—and failure to salvage, aggregating about \$24,000,000. Figures show that last May \$134,000,000 of that

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MAKE PRESSBURG CAPITAL

Seat of Czecho-Slovak Government May Be Re-named Wilsonstadt

Paris, Oct. 31.—The Czecho-Slovak council of state has decided to make Pressburg the capital of Slovakia, according to the newspapers here.

Pressburg is situated on the north bank of the Danube, 31 miles southeast of Vienna. It is beautifully located near the western extremity of the Carpathians, and is one of the finest cities in Hungary. The population of the city in 1900 was 61,537. It was announced recently that the Czecho-Slovak council had changed the name of Pressburg to Wilsonstadt, in honor of President Wilson.

State Merchants Association

Immediate organization of a state committee to serve under the direction of the National war service commission of the retail dry goods and department stores of the United States will be undertaken by Julius L. Meier of Portland. The purpose of the association will be to keep merchants in touch with government policies in the conduct of the war. Four districts have been outlined and chairmen appointed for each as follows: Portland and Willamette Valley, Charles F. Berg, manager of Lennon's Portland, Eastern Oregon, H. W. Collins, merchant, Pendleton; Southern Oregon, F. K. Deuel, merchant, Medford; Coos Bay, A. S. Kohler, clothing and merchant, Marshfield; County and local chairmen will be appointed in each near future.