

DEADLOCK OVER ITALY UNBROKEN

DELEGATION AT PEACE CONFERENCE STANDS FIRM ON FIUME QUESTION.

PRESIDENT WILSON STATES HIS POSITION

Takes the View That New States Have Been Created Out of Territory Adjacent to Sea Outlet and Considers Austria No Longer a Power or a Naval Menace.

(By Associated Press to The Observer) PARIS, April 23.—The Italian delegation has reasserted the determination to stand firm on the Fiume question, indicating that they will not return to the conference unless the council has changed its position. Premier Orlando threatens to return to Italy today. Lloyd-George is trying to persuade him to wait.

President States Position.
In a statement issued by President Wilson today explaining his position he declares that the Fiume cannot be a part of Italy. He points out that every condition concerning the Adriatic settlement has been changed since Italy entered the war upon the promises of the pact of London, as the Austro-Hungarian empire has disappeared. He notes that new states have been created for which the Fiume is the natural outlet to the sea. Wilson contends that the strategic necessity pleaded in behalf of Italy's claim to the Dalmatian islands no longer prevails as the Austrian naval menace has ceased to exist.

Orlando Also Has Statement.
Premier Orlando also prepared a statement for the Italian people after reading the one made by President Wilson.

SAYS MESSAGE WAS HELD UP

NEW YORK WORLD MAKES CHARGES ON BURLESON

Rules Prohibiting Transmission of Libelous Matter Rescinded by Postmaster General.

(By Associated Press to The Observer) NEW YORK, April 23.—The New York World charges that the postoffice department prohibited the transmission on the Western Union and Postal wires of an article concerning Postmaster General Burleson and his administration on the ground that it "appeared improper."

Rules Withdrawn.
WASHINGTON, April 23.—Postmaster General Burleson today withdrew the rules prohibiting the transmission of libelous matter when it was referred to the postmaster general. Action was taken when the World matter was called to his attention.

SECURE HAPSBURG JEWELS

Budapest Authorities Open Bank Safe Containing Archduke's Treasures.

LONDON, April 22.—A Hungarian government wireless dispatch received in London Sunday evening says the Budapest authorities have opened the safe of the Hungarian Allgemeine Kredit bank, containing the jewels of Joseph Hapsburg, former Archduke of Austria, and his family, including diamonds, rubies and pearls valued at more than 4,000,000 kronen.

GERMANY MUST SIGN TREATY BY MAY 15

PARIS, April 23.—Discussion of the peace terms of the Versailles conference after the German signature called in will not be continued longer than May 15, the French Paris Press today declared. The Germans will be required to sign the peace conditions, which only the German government can accept, by that date. The conditions shall be submitted to a plebiscite in June.

CARRYING OUT ORGANIZATION

AD. CLUB VICE PRESIDENTS ARE DESIGNATED

Each Will Extend Organization of Club in District for Which He Has Been Appointed

The president of the Union County Ad. Club has named as vice presidents of that organization for the various districts throughout the county the following men: Elgin, S. E. Harris; Union, Will Vogel; North Powder, C. B. Mays; Imbler, S. L. Brooks; Cove, L. E. Dean; Telocasset, L. B. Hatt; Allice, Floyd McEnnon; Summerville, Alec McKenzie; Island City, E. E. Kiddle; Perry, G. Earl Stoddard; Kamela, J. D. Fontaine; Medical Springs, Dunham Wright; Hillsdale, C. N. Lewis.

It will be the work of these men to make the new organization in reality, as well as in name, the Union County Ad. Club. This they will do by organizing in their several districts branches of the organization which will promote the interests of that particular district, handling their own finances, etc.

It is also intended that the vice-presidents shall act as chairman of the weekly luncheons held in La Grande, at which all members of the club and its branches throughout the county will be welcome to assemble. Officials of the Ad. Club feel that with this wide spread, thorough organization of the county, the possibilities of its future development will be vast indeed.

OPPOSES NANSSEN'S PLAN

Russian Commander in North Objects to Allies Feeding Enemies

ARCHANGEL, April 23.—Lieut. Gen. Eugene Karlovitch Miller, head of the Archangel government, told the Associated Press Tuesday that he is absolutely opposed to the plan of Dr. Fridtjof Nansen for feeding Russia. Other officials on all hands express similar views. General Miller said, "The proposition to feed our enemies comes when the moment of victory is near for us, and is entirely outside the question to think that we should cease fighting in order to permit provisions to reach our enemies."

CHINA WILL OUST GERMANS FROM RAIL LOAN AGREEMENT

PEKING, April 22.—The Chinese cabinet has agreed to a request by the British, American and French governments that German capital be dissociated from the Four Power railway loan agreement, concluded by the Chinese government in 1911 and under which each financial group contracted for the construction of assigned sections of the Hankow-Szechuan line. In deference to the wishes of the allied powers, the German interests will not be assigned to any other nationality, but will be divided among the Americans, French and British.

RETURNS FROM THE EAST

August Berger, of railroad yard engine force, has returned from a visit of about three weeks in the eastern states. His trip was principally to put in the time in recovering from an injured arm which was hurt in a fall.

WITNESS IS RESENTFUL

HORACE KARR ADMITS COMPLICITY WITH WOODMAN

Says He Was Promised Immunity for His Testimony but that He Had Been Made to Carry All Blame

(By Associated Press to The Observer) LOS ANGELES, April 23.—Horace Karr, an alleged accomplice of Mayor F. T. Woodman and the principal witness for the prosecution in the graft charges, testified that he had been promised immunity from prosecution, but he said that he had no fear of the prosecution and his real reason for testifying was that Woodman and others had attempted to put all the blame upon him.

MARKET FOR CATTLE

PIERCE, S. D., April 22.—A cow portable to dispose of light animals to European dealers in horse meat has been formed by South Dakota horse dealers.

WHO WANTS HUN HELMET AS TROPHY?

TWO ARE TO BE GIVEN TO LARGEST LOAN SUBSCRIBERS IN UNION COUNTY.

WERE CAPTURED BY AMERICAN SOLDIERS

Offer Is Received in a Telegram to Chairman Ed Kiddle This Morning From State Director of the Liberty Loan Organization and Is Genuine

An opportunity to secure a German helmet with a history attached is available to two persons in Union county. The whole proposition is explained in a telegram received by Ed Kiddle, county chairman of the Liberty loan committee, this morning from John L. Etheridge, state director, Portland. The telegram reads: "When the Germans neared Paris they prepared for triumphal march through the city. New helmets were procured which were captured by the Americans. Two of these helmets will be sent you for the largest subscriptions in your county."

BREMEN GAS WORKERS JOIN IN GENERAL STRIKE

COPENHAGEN, April 22.—Gas workers at Bremen have joined the German strike there and the middle classes have commenced a counter strike, according to advices received here from that city. An intensified state of siege has therefore been declared.

OFFENSIVE IN URALS BEGUN

COSSACK - SIBERIAN FORCES TAKE TOWNS.

Bolshevik Government Admits That Army Has Further Retired, Owing to Pressure.

(By Associated Press to The Observer) LONDON, April 23.—Ural Cossacks apparently acting in conjunction with the Siberian forces of Admiral Kolchak, began an offensive in the region of Uralinsk in southeastern Russia and captured several villages. The Bolshevik government admits further retirement, "owing to enemy pressure."

WILL MEET THE GERMANS APRIL 28

(By Associated Press to The Observer) PARIS, April 23.—The allied government have informed Germany that they would meet the German delegates at Versailles on April 28th.

PORTLAND, April 23.—For Oregon: Probably showers, cooler Thursday in the southwest portion, moderate southerly winds.

ADVANCES IN NORTH RUSSIA

IN STRIKING DISTANCE OF LAKE ONEGA

Condition at the Archangel Front Is Reported to Be Quiet for the Present

ARCHANGEL, April 23.—By an advance of approximately 20 miles southward, over a road paralleling the Murmansk railroad line, about 30 miles to the east, Russian troops operating with the allied Murmansk force have reached a point within easy striking distance of Lake Onega, which is connected by a chain of lakes and canals with Petrograd.

The advancing troops attacked Vojnosalma, which is 30 miles east of Uroosodero on April 17, and took the village. They then pursued the Bolsheviks down the main road toward Provenets. The enemy made a stand at Petrovinski and Yam, but were attacked, 28 of the Bolsheviks being captured and the enemy suffering a large number of casualties in killed and wounded. The allied casualties were light. Continuing their slow advances down the Murmansk railroad, the forces of the allies now are approximately 13 miles south of Uroosodero.

The Archangel front is quiet at present.

HOOVER AND STAFF ARRIVE IN BERLIN

(By Associated Press to The Observer) BERLIN, April 23.—Herbert Hoover, American food administrator, arrived in Berlin today with a large staff of assistants.

SHOT HIMSELF ON EVE OF TRIAL

(By Associated Press to The Observer) TACOMA, April 23.—The police are uncertain whether the death of Orville Billings, former Republican candidate for governor, who shot himself last night on the eve of his trial on a statutory charge, was due to accident or design.

STRIKE IN IRELAND BECOMES GENERAL

(By Associated Press to The Observer) LIMERICK, April 23.—The strike now has become national, as an alliance has been arranged between the Limerick strike committee and the Irish trades union congress and labor party.

WILL WAIT FOR THEIR PAY

(By Mail)—Railroad construction on the government line between Nenana and Fairbanks will not be delayed even though congress failed to pass the appropriation measure. By agreement between the Alaska engineering commission and the men, the latter have agreed to accept half of their wages at the present time, and wait until next July for the balance.

JAP SCHOOL BILL PASSED ASSEMBLY

(By Associated Press to The Observer) SACRAMENTO, April 23.—The assembly passed the school bill prohibiting Japanese attending regular elementary schools where special schools for Mongolians are provided.

NATIONAL GUARD ON NEW PLAN

OREGON TO HAVE INFANTRY BATTALION AND COAST ARTILLERY COMPANIES

BUT FOUR STATES IN THE REORGANIZED PLAN

Selection of Localities Is Made With Reference to Liability to Be Called Upon in Emergencies in Which the Presence of Armed Forces May Be Required.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Reconstruction of the National Guard was actually started today when the bureau of military affairs of the war department authorized the organization of seven regiments, one extra battalion of infantry, one squadron of cavalry and eight companies of coast artillery. The states included were New York, New Jersey, Ohio and Oregon.

One battalion of infantry and four companies of coast artillery are authorized for Oregon.

The new units are intended to replace state troops which cannot legally be maintained by states in time of peace. The state first considered were those where conditions were such that governors considered armed forces might be necessary under certain contingencies. The units will be organized on a peace status.

Sixty-five men will be the minimum for each company.

LA GRANDE MAN HIT BY TRAIN

L. CARTER BADLY HURT AT THORNE HOLLOW TODAY

Arm, Ankle and Ribs Broken When He Stepped on Track in Front of Passenger

L. Carter, of this city, had a very narrow escape from death this morning when he was hit by passenger train No. 6 as he was walking along the railway track at Thorne Hollow, about six miles west of La Grande. He was given attention by an army doctor who was on the train and was brought in to La Grande. On examination made after his arrival at the hospital here it was found that besides having scalp wounds inflicted both bones of one ankle were broken, his right arm fractured and three ribs broken.

Mr. Carter, who is rather elderly, is unable to explain how the accident happened. He stepped directly in front of the train, presumably not aware of its approach, and it is regarded as a miracle that he was not killed outright.

Reports this afternoon stated that he was resting as well as could be expected. Mr. Carter had gone out to a ranch near Thorne Hollow a couple of weeks ago, to spend the summer.

SCHOLARS GIVE AID TO LOAN

TALENTED PUPILS EXECUTE ADVERTISING POSTERS

Specimens of Work Posted in Banks and Stores—Designs Also Advertise Glee Club Play

Pupils of the city schools are doing their bit to help put over the Victory Loan in a unique and very commendable manner. Those who may have visited the local banks on recent days may have noticed the contributions several of them have made in the way of executing posters advertising the loan.

There was printed in the Observer some time ago the report of a poster exhibit at the public library, where there were a number of excellent examples of the work the pupils of the grades have been doing under the instruction of Miss Blanche Clark, art supervisor in the city schools.

Other very attractive posters have been designed and are now on display advertising the play, "The Wild Mills of Holland," which is to be given by the high school glee club at an early date.

STORED WHEAT DECREASES.

Visible Supply of Other Grains Shows Material Increase.

NEW YORK, April 23.—The visible supply of American and bonded grain shows the following changes: Wheat decreased 6,260,000 bushels; corn increased 396,000 bushels; oats increased 238,000 bushels; rye decreased 632,000 bushels; barley increased 1,066,000 bushels.

POST BANKHEAD HIGHWAY

DALLAS, Tex., April 22.—The Bankhead National Highway association through its president, C. S. Plowman, has entered into a contract with the National Highway Marking association to mile post the Bankhead National highway from Washington, D. C., to San Diego, Cal., it was announced last night.

SINN FEINERS AT BUTTE CELEBRATE REVOLT OF 1916

BUTTE, April 22.—Commemorating the Sinn Fein revolt of Easter, 1916, a parade was held here Sunday, under the auspices of the Friends of Irish Freedom society. Several squads of discharged soldiers marched behind two bands and the Peace-Connelly drum corps. Banners were carried demanding the withdrawal of English troops from Ireland and release of "political" prisoners in the United States.

LIGHT HOUSE IN DANGER

TOMS RIVER, N. J., April 23.—The famous lighthouse at Barnegat Inlet is in danger of being undermined by the Atlantic ocean, engineers report. During the recent heavy storms the sea encroached to within seventy-five feet of the lighthouse. The terrific current at the inlet, backed by a powerful sea has cut in to the beach for a considerable distance, and unless breakwaters or piers are constructed, the lighthouse surely will go down in a heavy storm, engineers say.

FOUR TOWNS IN BALL LEAGUE

LA GRANDE, COVE, BAKER AND NORTH POWDER TO PLAY

Organization Carried Out at Meeting Which Was Held in This City Last Night

A baseball league between the towns of Cove, La Grande, Baker and North Powder was formed at a meeting held in La Grande last night, and the season will open May 4th with Cove playing in this city and North Powder at Baker. Delegates were present from the towns included in the league.

The Union County Ad. Club is sponsoring the local team, through its athletic committee. S. B. Seran has been appointed by the committee to act as baseball supervisor and he will have the handling of the team.

It is anticipated that this shall be a pure amateur ball. Twelve games will be played by each team during the season, which will run on into July.

JAPANESE PROBLEM WILL WAIT

SUGGESTIONS ARE MADE THAT ITALY MAY LISTEN TO A COMPROMISE PROPOSAL

SOVIET GOVERNMENT IN HUNGARY HAS CRUMBED

No Confirmation Has Been Received of the Previous Reports to the Effect That the Russian Bolsheviks Were Reversed in the Engagement at Vilna.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

The peace conference have passed the Japanese problem along for future adjustment. The Italian difficulty is still pressing. Some suggestions have been made that the Italians may listen to a compromise by giving up claims to the Dalmatian hinterland if given the Fiume, the Dalmatian coast, and the coastal waters.

Apparently the soviet government in Hungary has crumbled, but the situation is still obscure.

The report of the soviet government in Turkey is doubted in London. There is no confirmation that the Russian Bolsheviks were reversed by the Poles at Vilna.

SETTLE FRONTIER LINE

Border Between Italy and Germany Austria Fixed

PARIS, April 23.—The Temps says that the new frontier between Italy and Germany-Austria apparently has been definitely fixed. Italy demanded it and as France and Great Britain in 1915 promised it should run. The frontier will be drawn to the north of the Brenner pass in Tyrol.

MIDNIGHT FROLIC ENDS IN ARREST

PENDLETON DRUMMER FINDS PARTY EXPENSIVE

Joseph Citizens Who Participated Lost No Time in Getting Out of the Town

Ted L. Serr, a Pendleton commercial man, is spending ten days in the city jail, besides being assessed two fines totaling \$200 this morning, as the result of a disorderly row at the Foley hotel last night. Serr was fined \$250 and given ten days on the disorderly charge, and was fined \$50 on an additional charge of having liquor in his possession. From the story he told it appears that there were about a dozen participants in a little party held in a room in the Foley, with three or four women present. Serr was arrested when he pursued one of the women to the street, and it was alleged, struck her. The woman was held as a witness, but the rest of the party escaped. Two of the men in the party were from Joseph, and they left town immediately in an automobile. The street scene occurred about 4 o'clock this morning.

FRED J. KIESEL PASSES

Pioneer Business Man of Odgen, Well Known in West, Dies

ODGEN, April 22.—Frederick John Kiesel, aged 78 years, pioneer merchant of Odgen, builder of two irrigation projects in Oregon and one of the founders of the national irrigation congress, died Tuesday afternoon here, after three weeks' illness. He was mayor of Odgen in 1885 and 1886, member of the Utah constitutional convention and of the Utah state senate for two years. On one of his irrigation projects in Oregon he developed a grove of black locust trees, and when the United States government was searching for this wood for war material, offered the entire grove to the government, free of charge.

He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Mrs. W. H. Shearman of Odgen, and a son, Fred E. W. Kiesel of Sacramento, Cal.

