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OUTLOOK MUCH MORE HOPEFUL

PREMIER ORLANDO GOES TO ROME TO CONSULT WITH PARLIAMENT

FEELING REVIVED IN ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS

Members of the Italian Delegation Say That All May Be Settled Within a Fortnight—Fourteen Divisions of Italian Soldiers Reported to Have Moved to Fiume

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PARIS, April 25.—The outlook is distinctly more hopeful. Less of an irreconcilable feeling prevailed in the Italian headquarters today. Members of the delegation said: "It all may be settled within a fortnight. Premier Orlando has gone to Rome to consult parliament. Then we shall see."

Lloyd George, Clemenceau and Wilson were in conference today.

Fiume Filled With Soldiers

PARIS, April 25.—An American officer who has just arrived from Fiume said that the city is filled with Italian soldiers. It is reported that fourteen divisions have moved there.

HOOVER WARNS GERMANY

Continuation of Strikes and Disorder Will Endanger Food Supply.

BERLIN, April 25.—A message to Germany by Herbert Hoover, director general of the inter-allied relief organization, has been published in Berlin, warning against a continuation of the strikes and disorders, saying they were endangering a continuation of the food supply.

The message has brought about serious discussion in the German newspapers, which is best related by the Boersen Zeitung, which says Mr. Hoover's note is an ultimatum to Germany.

"Mr. Hoover says shortly and sharply,' the Boersen Zeitung continues, " 'America has no desire to restrict itself in order that its grain ships may be sunk in the Elbe and its fat kegs may disappear through the riot of a few thousand Spartacans, or that its potatoes shall ruin in warehouses because they cannot be transported.'

"America has the good will to save all from starvation, provided there is assurance of a state of order in Germany. Otherwise there will be no more supplies."

TOWN MOVE PROPOSAL

BILLINGS, Mont., April 25.—Business interest of the town of Pompeys Pillar, northeast of here in this county, are backing a move to transport the town, bodily, three miles east of its present location. Ranchers of the vicinity also are said to favor the plan, as it is declared it would save them a long haul to market.

WHIPPET TANK HERE TUESDAY

La Grande citizens are to have the opportunity Tuesday to witness the cavortings of a whippet tank, according to word received today by Ed. Kiddle, county manager for the Victory Liberty Loan. The tank, which is visiting different points in the state in the interests of the loan campaign, will be in Baker Monday and will arrive in La Grande the next morning and spend the whole day here. There will be three non commissioned officers with this little Hun chaser and demonstrations will be given of the various stunts which the tanks are able to perform.

Particulars of the program which will be arranged for the tank's visit here will be announced as soon as they have been finally completed.

WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PORTLAND, April 25.—For Oregon: Fair, cooler tonight in east portion; light to heavy frost in the morning, except near the coast; moderate westerly winds.

CONTRACTS TO BE CANCELED

HEAVY REDUCTION IN SHIPBUILDING ANNOUNCED

Shipping Board Favors Construction Under Peace Time Prices and Cutting of Expenses

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Chairman Hurley announced today that the shipping board will cancel contracts for the additional two million tons of steel ships, contracted for during the war.

He also said that the board is considering the cancellation of all contracts where the keels have not been actually laid. This program is in order to build at peace prices instead of high war prices.

JAPANESE SUBJECT U. S. CITIZEN TO INDIGNITIES

After Being Assaulted by Soldier He Was Placed in Jail and Detained Several Hours.

PEKING, April 24.—I. W. Glass, an American employe of the British-American Tobacco company, after being assaulted by a Japanese soldier at Pamienching, near Mukden, Manchuria, was arrested and detained at a Japanese police station, according to information reaching the American legation here. He was liberated after several hours, but was rearrested immediately and conducted to Japanese military headquarters, where he was detained. Before being released the next day, Mr. Glass was summoned to appear before the Japanese military authorities. He disregarded the summons and left the town.

Pamienching, where the incident occurred, is not within the Japanese sphere of the South Manchurian railway zone.

KING GEORGE REWARDS MOTHER OF 22 CHILDREN

LONDON, April 25.—King George has sent a donation to a woman in Guernsey who has just given birth to her sixth set of twins and has ten other children. Eighteen members of this family are living.

ALREADY IN VERSAILLES

ADVANCE COURIERS OF GERMAN DELEGATION ARRIVE

Plenary Session of the Peace Conference Is to Be Held on Monday.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PARIS, April 25.—Advance couriers of the German delegates have arrived at Versailles. A plenary session of the peace conference will be held Monday to consider the revised league covenant and portions of the treaty of peace. The meeting will be open to the public.

COUNTESS OF PARIS DIED IN SPAIN

MADRID, April 25.—The death is announced of the Countess of Paris, mother of the Duke of Orleans, the head of the Bourbon-Orleans royal house of France.

PALMER REFUSES TO GIVE COTTON CROP LIMIT RULING

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Attorney General Palmer has declined to give an opinion on the legality of the action of southern cotton growers to limit their crop this year in an effort to maintain prices.

This opinion, it was explained Thursday, had been sought by Secretary Houston, since the question did not involve directly any administrative matters within the department of agriculture, the attorney general declined to rule.

FRANCE HAS 8-HOUR LAW

PARIS, April 25.—The French senate Wednesday passed the 8-hour labor bill which now becomes a law.

LA GRANDE HOSPITAL UNIT IS AT NEW YORK

JAPAN'S WAR PARTY YIELDS TO LIBERALS

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Official advices received here Wednesday said the war party in the Japanese cabinet had yielded to the Liberals in the Siberian policy and Foreign Minister Count Uchida now would direct the handling of the situation. This development, it is said, marks the passing of the most serious crisis that has been faced by Premier Hara's cabinet.

One result expected is recognition of the Omsk government as the de facto government of all non-Belshevik Russia by Japan at the same time this recognition is accorded by the United States, Great Britain, France and Italy, which is looked for soon after the adjournment of the peace conference at Paris.

DO NOT LIKE PRESIDENT

DEMONSTRATIONS IN ROME LAST NIGHT

Report that Thomas Nelson Page, American Ambassador, Has Offered His Resignation.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

ROME, April 25.—The Italia says that because he was acquainted with President Wilson's views on the Italian claims, Thomas Nelson Page, American ambassador to Rome, has offered his resignation.

Demonstrations were held here last night which has as their watch word: "Long live America; down with Wilson."

NEW OUTBREAK OF FLU FEARED

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

SALEM, April 25.—A new outbreak of influenza is feared. There are now five cases in the Salem and Liberty districts. Mrs. J. H. Emery died yesterday.

25,000 TROOPS SAIL ON 11 SHIPS FROM FRANCE

WSAHINGTON, April 25.—Sailing of nine transports, the cruiser St. Louis and the battleship Nebraska, all loaded with returning troops and representing one of the largest single day's sailing since the armistice, was announced by the war department. A total of 25,999 officers and men are on board the 11 ships.

BOYS GREETED IN SPOKANE

SPOKANE, April 25.—The city of Spokane today wildly greeted the homecoming Washington and Oregon men of the 361st infantry who are enroute to Camp Lewis for discharge.

OMAHA SUIT REACHES U. S. SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, April 25—The contest between the city of Omaha, Neb, and the Omaha Electric Light & Power company reached the supreme court Thursday with the filing of petitions by the city asking the court to review federal court decrees perpetually enjoining city officials from enforcing an ordinance preventing the company from using the streets for the purpose of transmitting electric power.

The controversy between the city and company began in 1899 although the present proceedings were not instituted until six years later. The company alleges the ordinance interferes with the rights in its franchise.

PEKING, April 25.—The China Development bank has been granted a charter by the minister of finance.

RADIOGRAM RECEIVED HERE THIS MORNING ANNOUNCED UNIT'S PRESENCE ON LINER

Definite news of the arrival of the La Grande hospital unit at New York was received here this afternoon in an Associated Press dispatch to the Observer, which stated that the liner Leviathan had arrived at New York today with twelve thousand troops aboard and several units of the 42nd Rainbow division among them. That the La Grande unit is on board the Leviathan was made known this morning by a radiogram received from Albert Palmer, one of the local boys. Plans for a big reception for the unit, which have been under discussion for some time, have accordingly been given a big impetus by this glad news.

It had been understood for several days that the boys were on the way home, but nothing really definite was known until the radiogram from Albert Palmer arrived this morning. The message was received at the W. E. Oesterling home, conveying greetings and giving the information that the boys expected to arrive at New York Friday. The wireless was sent from mid-ocean Wednesday. La Grande is accordingly concerned with no other topic today than the arrival of the boys and the reception to be given them when they arrive here.

Reception for All Service Men

The reception arrangements, it is understood, will be wholly under the care of the Army and Navy Auxiliary, and further it is announced that all Union county soldiers and sailors who have returned from the service or who will have returned by the time the hospital unit reaches La Grande will also be invited to be among the guests of honor when the big time is held. A meeting of the Auxiliary was held last evening and plans for a reception program talked over. Final arrangements, of course, could not be made until the exact time of the unit's arrival here and the length of time they will stop has been learned. When this information has been received a call meeting of the Auxiliary will be held, to attend to these matters, and in the meantime a committee composed of Messrs. T. J. Scroggin, John Collier, A. C. Hampton, J. A. Russell, Geo. Cochran, E. Daron, Geo. Currey and Fred Currey will have the formulation of plans in hand.

Special Train to Huntington

There is talk of running a special train to Huntington, taking along the band and a big crowd of citizens to welcome the boys at that point and accompany them on home. Immediately upon the train's arrival a short parade and a brief ceremony is suggested, and the boys would then be given several hours freedom, to spend with their families and friends. These plans are based on the presumption that the time of their arrival will be early in the day and their stop here for a period of twelve hours, as was requested. In the evening, then, a street dance may be held for those who may care to participate, and the mothers of the boys in the unit then will serve them a little banquet before they proceed on their way to Camp Lewis.

All the County Here

It is the intention of the committee to have every part of the county represented at the reception. Nearby towns will be requested to see that all their men who have returned from the service are here to share in the honors and the citizens of those towns will all be wanted, also, to lend spirit and enthusiasm to the welcome.

A meeting of the committee which was appointed last night will be held this evening to further discuss plans.

Where to Send Messages

Relatives and friends of the boys with the unit who wish to send messages to any of them will be able to do so and have them delivered under arrangements made by the state government some time ago. A greeting committee was appointed in New York, with Clark Leiter as chairman, and messages sent to the Oregon Reception Committee, Hotel McAlpin, New York, will be sure to reach the men for whom they are intended at the earliest possible moment.

OREGON PUBLISHERS MEET IN EUGENE

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

EUGENE, April 25.—Thirty-five publishers of Oregon newspapers convened at Eugene today at the call of E. E. Ingalls, president of the Oregon State Editorial association to discuss advertising and advertising problems. The conference will be devoted entirely to the business department of newspapers.

HOTEL CLERK FATALLY SHOT

JEALOUSY ENDS IN MURDER IN PORTLAND.

Policeman Who Entered the Place Was Disarmed by Assailant, a Drug Store Proprietor.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PORTLAND, April 25.—A. B. Foster, proprietor of a drug store in the Angela hotel, early today shot and killed John Lawrence Goodell, night clerk at the hotel. Foster afterward fire five shots into his own abdomen. The trouble is due to jealousy over a woman living at the hotel.

Foster will probably die.

Policeman George Raney, who entered the hotel, was held up and his gun was taken away by Foster during the trouble.

DIVIDEND ON THE WESTERN PACIFIC

NEW YORK, April 25.—A 1 per cent dividend on the preferred stock of the Western Pacific railroad has been authorized by Director General Hines of the railroad administration, it was announced here Thursday.

AMERICAN FLYER KILLED

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., April 24.—Lieutenant Ralph G. Koonts, radio officer at Post field, Lawton, Okla., fell to his death at Call field late Tuesday, his machine going into a side slip as he was leaving the field and falling about 200 feet. He had been here with a party, doing cross-country work. The body will be sent to Newark, O., his former home.

LABOR UNION MEETING HELD

E. J. Stack of Portland, secretary of the Oregon State Federaton of Labor, was in La Grande today in conference with the La Grande Central Labor Council. The business today was in regard to the affairs of union labor. Mr. Stack has been invited to another meeting to be held next Tuesday at the city hall. This is to be an open meeting of all the labor unions in the city, at which various matters pertaining to the local organizations will be discussed.

VKUN DENIES BELA KUN DEPOSED FROM POWER

LONDON, April 25.—Bela Kun, the Hungarian foreign minister, in a telephone message to Vienna, forwarded through Copenhagen by the Exchange Telegraph company, denies the accuracy of reports regarding the political crisis in Budapest exercising their discretion and are. He says that the communists still are successfully resisting the opposing forces, even gaining ground.

EUROPE BACK TO WAR BREAD

IS PART OF PROGRAM FIGURED OUT BY HOOVER

America Will Not Be Affected According to Federal Wheat Director Barnes

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PARIS, April 25.—Based on changes in the available milling percentages the world will be put back on a war bread basis for the ensuing three months, acording to a program worked out by Hoover.

Does Not Effect America

NEW YORK, April 25.—Federal Wheat Director Julius Barnes said today that Americans would continue to eat white bread, despite the return of the European countries to a war bread basis.

LIVERPOOL STRIKE ENDS

LIVERPOOL, April 25.—The dock strike was settled Thursday evening. The grievances of the dock workers are to be arbitrated.

ONE FIREMAN KILLED, TEN INJURED, BY FALLING WALL

BALTIMORE, Md., April 25.—One fireman was killed Thursday night and 10 hurt when a wall fell on them at the ruins of St. Mary's industrial school for boys. The school was swept by flames earlier in the evening with a loss of $500,000.

SITUATION AT BREMEN HAS BECOME SERIOUS

BERLIN, April 25.—The situation in Bremen has become serious. Advices received here state that a state of siege has been proclaimed by the state and that the publication of all newspapers, pamphlets and placards has been prohibited. Private persons are not allowed to use the telephones or the telegraph, letters are being censored and the restaurants, theatres, moving picture houses and schools have been ordered closed.

The regulations also provide that no one shall be permitted on the streets between 8 p. m. and 6 a. m. Public traffic and even church-going have been stopped and a cordon thrown about the city.

DATES SELECTED FOR PROGRAMS

NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB WILL GIVE THREE LECTURES

Special Dances, Costume Characterization and Fine Music Will Mark the Entertainments

May 6th, 13th and 16th are the dates which have been decided upon by the Neighborhood Club for the presentation of the three programs on architectural study which they have been preparing since last fall. The lectures will be given in the High School auditorium the evenings of these three dates and they will be illustrated by means of pictures representing the various types of architecture evolved through the centuries. A special feature will be the representation by several of the ladies of the club of the costumes which characterized the different periods of civilization. There will also be given the dances of the different nations, and this part of the program will be handled by Mrs. Harold Grady, whose talent in this line is well known. The music in connection with the lectures will be prepared by Mrs. A. L. Richardson, with the assistance of the members of her Monday Club.

WILL BANQUET WINNING TEAM MONDAY NIGHT

The banquet which the girls of the Intermediate Society of Christian Endeavor will prepare for the members and the winning team of the High school boys gymnasium tournament at the Y. M. C. A. Monday night will be a great success if the plans all carry which have been made by the boys and girls. Several of the boys will make talks during the course of the dinner and afterwards there will be a good time in the gymnasium playing group games.

ITALY NOT ENTIRELY OUT OF IT

NOTWITHSTAND DEPARTURE OF PREMIER ORLANDO IS STILL REPRESENTED

DECISION REACHED TO MAKE DANZIG FREE

Conditions in Hungary Are Very Grave With Rumanian Advance Continuing and Forces of Allies in Readiness With Assistance—British Protectorate Over Egypt Recognized

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

Although Premier Orlando has left Paris with two other members of the Italian delegation, the latest Paris advices do not give the idea that the move means a cessation of Italy's part in the conference.

Italy, if all her delegates leave, will be represented at the conference by England and France.

Lloyd-George and Clemenceau tried yesterday to find a middle ground between Orlando and Wilson but there is no evidence of success.

It is reported that the conference has decided to make Danzig a free city under a sort of Polish protectorate. Poland would be given the use of the docks, and wharves, and control of the Vistula water route and corridor leading from the former Polish frontier to the sea.

Conditions in Hungary are very grave. The Rumanian advance is continuing, the French aiding. The entente have troops on the Danube below Budapest as reserves for the Rumanians.

Czecho-Slav troops are reported by Vienna to be attacking Waitzen, twenty miles northeast of Budapest.

President Wilson has recognized the British protectorate over Egypt.

CHURCH BELLS STOLEN BY HUNS RECOVERED

COLMAR, April 25.—Five bells taken from churches of Colmar during the war by the Germans have been found in Frankport and will be returned to their old places. Four of the bells were from the church of St. Martin, while the fifth was the great bell from the church of St. Joseph.

Valuable treasures stolen from the museumum have been found in Munich, where they were taken by Bavarian soldiers. The treasures include the painting of the "Madonna in an Arbor of Roses" by Schongauer, and the painted wings of the famous altar at Isenheim.

SURCHARGE ON COTTON SHIPPING ESTABLISHED

WASHINGTON, April 25.—A surcharge of 25 cents per 100 pounds on cotton shipped from Atlantic and gulf ports to Liverpool and London was established by the shipping board Wednesday in lieu of demurrage, because of serious delays in unloading at the English ports.

Teachers May Find Examination Texts at Public Library

All the books which form the basis of the state teachers' examinations may be found now at the public library, except the text books in arithmetic, spelling, grammar, writing and composition, bookkeeping and American literature.

Books required for studying for a special certificate are not all in the library, but may be obtained on request, if desirable for purchase.

The supply of books is unfortunately limited, so that an early attempt should be made to use the books.

CLAIM CONSTANTINOPLE UNDER BOLSHEVIK RULE

PARIS, April 25.— revolution has broken out in Turkey and a soviet government has been decreed. A revolutionary committee has been established at Constantinople, according to a telgram received here from Kiev, quoting the Bolshevik representative at Odessa who says that the Turkish capital there has received official announcement of the change in the government.