

ARMY LAYS PLANS FOR QUICK MOVE

GERMANS EXPECTED TO PREPARE COUNTER CLAIMS FOR LARGE AMOUNT BUT LITTLE PARLEY LIKELY TO BE HAD

Belgian Frontier Is Closed and Mobilization of Army Will Be Ordered If It Is Definitely Known Germany Will Not Sign Allied Commanders Confer

Amsterdam dispatches say that the Belgian frontier is closed and general mobilization of the Belgian army will be ordered as soon as it is definitely known the Germans will not sign.

WANT TO BE IN LEAGUE. BERLIN, May 28.—It is understood that Germany will propose that a part of the mercantile fleet be restored to her.

Will Claim Large Offset. VERSAILLES, May 28.—German peace delegation, it was learned, will present a counter-claim of 12,850,000,000 marks for damage from the Allied blockades.

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OPPORTUNITY FOR INVENTIVE GENIUS

Device Is Wanted That Will Brand Walnuts at Rate of Four Hundred per Cent.

LOS ANGELES, May 28.—From branding cattle to branding walnuts: Thus, from one viewpoint, is epitomized development of the west.

The California Walnut Growers' association has offered \$10,000 for a device which will place its brand in a satisfactory and inexpensive manner upon every walnut in its yearly pack.

As walnuts run about forty to a pound, the machine ultimately to be accepted, must brand 400 for one cent.

TWO BALL GAMES DECORATION DAY

COVE, NORTH POWDER AND LA GRANDE WILL PLAY

Manager Scranton and his baseball bunch are going to make things interesting for local folks this week, with their dance Thursday night and a double-header on the ball diamond at Fair grounds following afternoon.

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SHIP WORK MAY REVIVE IN THE WEST

CHAIRMAN HURLEY PROMISES REINSTATEMENT OF SOME OF THE CONTRACTS

INJUSTICE IN SOME CASES IS ADMITTED

At a Conference With Western Representatives From Washington, Oregon and California It Was Conceded That Cancellations Were Unjust

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Chairman Hurley of the emergency fleet corporation promises reinstatement of contracts with Pacific Coast shippers which may have been unjustly treated.

At a conference with western ship builders, senators and representatives of Washington, Oregon and California Hurley conceded that probably injustices resulted from the suspension of the contracts.

NORTH END FOR THE ROAD PLAN

MEETING LAST NIGHT PLEASED ALL WHO ATTENDED

Walter Pierce Urges Solid Vote for the Good Roads Program in the State

With a number of La Grande and Island City men in attendance as speakers, and with Senator Walter M. Pierce as the final speaker urging in strong and imperative language that every voter should vote the good roads program in Oregon.

The Elgin people dined the visitors from the county in the truly Elgin hospitable manner and after that feature of the visit had been dispensed with the subject of good roads and initiative measures on the ballot occupied the time of the assembly until nearly midnight.

G. L. Larison opened the meeting with his statement of the case to be considered and Chairman E. G. Bailey complimented him highly for the clean cut manner in which he put forth his statements.

Albert Hunley, representative in the last house of representatives, then talked on the legislative phase and reviewed the road legislation in the last session.

Walter Pierce urged a solid vote for the good roads program in the state. He said that the good roads program is the only way to improve the roads in the state.

KING OF BELGIUM MAY BE A GUEST

PARIS, May 28.—King Albert of Belgium, it is expected to visit Washington to attend the initial meeting of the League of Nations in October.

TIME LIMIT ON SPECIAL TAXES

Payments Not Made By May 31 Are Subject to a 25 Per Cent Penalty.

The Revenue Act of 1918 provides increased special taxes upon brokers, pawn brokers, ship brokers, custom house brokers, theatres, public exhibitions, bowling alleys and billiard and pool tables.

These new and increased taxes are effective upon and after January 1, 1919, and the tax for the period January 1, to June 30, 1919, was, by the law required to be paid on or before March 25.

The tax on motor boats used for pleasure and of not more than five tons was increased by the same act from \$5 to \$10 per annum, effective April 1, 1919, and all owners of such boats are required to pay additional tax from April 1 to June 30.

COMMUNITY CHORUS GAVE CONCERT LAST NIGHT AT IMBLER.

The La Grande Community Chorus journeyed to Imbler last night and gave there, under the leadership of Prof. Edwards, a well rounded out program of choral selections.

Miss Ida Rettig Takes Charge of Emergency Hospital at Railroad

Back among her friends after service with the army, Miss Ida Rettig, one of the popular nurses of La Grande has accepted the position of handling the emergency hospital for the O-W. R. & N. company at this division point.

ELKS AT BAKER HAD WILD TIME

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THIRD TERM CANDIDACY EXPLAINED

DEPENDS ON FATE OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS SAYS DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN

WILSON WILL BE URGED IF COVENANT FAILS

Homer Cummins, Chairman of Democratic National Committee, is Authority for This Report—McAdoo and Palmer Only Others Considered.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 28.—Homer Cummins, chairman of the Democratic national committee, said that he thought that Wilson's candidacy for a third term will be determined largely by the fate of the league of nations.

BONDS NEAR PAR

NEW YORK, May 28.—Victory bonds sold on the market for the first time at \$99.90 for \$100.

PROGRAM FOR MEMORIAL DAY

PREPARATIONS IN CHARGE OF G. A. R. AND W. R. C.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. will hold the usual memorial day services Friday, May 30. The members of these organizations are working very hard to make this a day when the nation will take time to remember the heroes who sleep their last sleep after giving their all to the land they loved.

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GAMBLING ON NATURE'S MOODS

Yukon Ice Break-up Might Also Be Termed "Derby" of Northland.

NENANA, Alaska, May 1.—(A. P. By Mail).—The care taken in arrangements made for observing the exact time of the break-up of ice in the great Yukon river every spring, on which thousands of dollars change hands, reminds one of the detail work connected with the winner and places in an automobile race.

The Yukon ice break-up might also be termed the Northland "derby," from the interest it attracts. So also the break-up of the Tanana river in Alaska territory. Take, for example, the preparations made here. A stake, bearing a flag, has been firmly imbedded in the ice on the bosom of the river, to which a taut wire leads to a stiff derick on a dock.

The stake on the ice is set 50 feet up-stream from the derick, and when the ice has moved 100 feet, the taut wire from the stake to the derick will break and release the weight, which throws the clock, rings the bell and stops the clock at the same time.

Recent advices recorded the break-up of ice in the Yukon at Dawson at noon on May 10, and the ice in the Tanana began moving some days prior.

ELGIN AIRMAN HAS RETURNED

WM. ERA KEEN, AMONG THE FIRST OF THE VOLUNTEERS

Was Four Months in Hospital Following Accident When His Airplane Fell to the Ground

ELGIN, May 27.—(Special).—The people of this community are especially pleased to welcome home one of the first of Elgin's young men to volunteer. He is WILLIAM ERA KEEN, who has been in the aero department and has just returned.

ORGANIZATION OF COUNTY FOR "Y" WORK IS PLANNED

Union County will undertake at once the organization of County Y. M. C. A. work and in addition to raising their quota of \$840 of the state budget, the county committee asks for a fund of \$3,500 a year for two years to make possible the early organization of work in Union county.

GOOD ROADS MEETING AT THE CITY PARK TONIGHT

Community members gathered for a picnic at the city park at 7:30 o'clock today. The picnic was a success and all enjoyed it very much.

TWO KILLED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT

EDNA GAYNOR, MOVIE ACTRESS AND GEORGE C. HELD, PHOTOGRAPHER, THE VICTIMS

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PARTY WERE INJURED

All Belonged to a Moving Picture Company and They Were on Their Way From Portland to Film Scenes—Bus Upsets When Trying to Dodge Another Car

PORTLAND, May 28.—Edna Gaynor, aged seventeen, a movie actress, and George C. Held, a newspaper photographer and camera man, were killed and five other were injured when an auto bus overturned. The bus was carrying the members of a local moving picture company to a point on the Clackamas river to film scenes in a picture entitled "The Whitman Massacre," when it overturned while trying to dodge another car at high speed.

The injured are Miss Ruth Emming, Mrs. A. P. DeKeyser, Mrs. Ethel Dunn, E. E. Davenport and Richard Mulford. None of the injured are expected to die. They were all members of the picture company and thirteen were in the bus.

STANLEY BEAUMONT

Walter J. Stanley and Miss Dorsey Beaumont, accompanied by friends, paid a visit this morning to the Christian church parsonage on Penn avenue and were united in marriage by the pastor, the Rev. R. H. Coker. After the ceremony they motored back to North Powder, where they will make their future home.

TYPHUS PLAGUE GRIPS SOUTHERN EUROPE

PARIS, May 28.—One thousand people in Poland are ill of typhus, according to advices received by the supreme economic council. Typhus is increasing in Poland and is epidemic in Hungary and a number of other countries in southeastern Europe.

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