

MILITARY REVOLT IN CROATIA

MOVEMENT FOR SEPARATION FROM SERBIA AND FORMATION OF A REPUBLIC

ARMY IS LEFT IN STATE OF DISSOLUTION

Violent Combats Took Place at Marburg Where the Garrison Revolted—Croatian Troops Reported to Have Proclaimed a Republic—Fratricide With Hungarians

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PARIS, July 25.—Dispatches from Agram and Gratz report that a serious military revolt has taken place in Croatia which has taken the form of a movement for separation from Serbia and the formation of a republic. The troops are leaving in units and the army is in a state of dissolution. The Serbians are trying to suppress the revolt with troops.

Violent Combats Tuesday

GRATZ, July 25.—Violent combats occurred Tuesday night at Marburg where the garrison revolted. Thirty were killed and many were wounded.

Croatian troops are reported to have proclaimed a republic. The Croatians are fraternizing with the Hungarian soldiers.

Mutiny Report Denied

PARIS, July 25.—A dispatch from Laibach officials denies the rumors of mutiny or other troubles in Jugoslavia. The dispatches say that order and tranquility prevail.

DEMOCRATS FAVOR LICENSE SYSTEM ON IMPORT TRADE

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Democratic members of the house ways and means committee Thursday declined to join with the Republican members in recommending passage to a bill leaving a tariff on importations of chemical glassware and apparatus. They favored a licensing system for the control of imports.

AMERICAN LEGION ADOPTS BUTTON

Emblem of Veterans of the World War Will Be Distributed Throughout Oregon in a Short Time

A button adopted by the National Executive Committee of the American Legion as the official emblem of the national organization of American veterans of the Great War will be distributed in a few days to local posts of the Legion throughout Oregon. An enlarged design of the button, unless changed by the National Convention at Minneapolis in November, will also be used as the basis for the official seal of the Legion.

The button is three quarters of an inch in diameter. It consists of a central small replica of the regulation bronze five pointed star discharge button, surrounded by a narrow circular band of blue enamel, containing the words "American Legion" in gold letters. The button has a fluted gold edge. The central replica of the discharge button will be silver instead of bronze for members of the Legion who were wounded in the service.

The necessary steps will be taken by the Legislative Committee of the American Legion, headed by former Senator Luke Lea of Tennessee and former Congressman Thomas Miller of Delaware, to have the emblem copyrighted and its use fully protected.

In order to effectuate the resolutions of the St. Louis meeting of the American Legion endorsing the principles of land development as a means of rehabilitating returned soldiers, a committee of three members of the National Executive Committee will make a thorough study of the subject of reclamation of arid, swamp and other timber lands in co-operation with the secretary of the Interior.

Pending the results of the study to be made by the committee of three, the American Legion will take no action on the Lane-Mundell bill, but as soon as the Legion determines the best and reclamation legislation for the returned veterans it will take a positive stand in its favor and support its adoption.

Defensive Treaty With France Not Given Out at the Present Time

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
WASHINGTON, July 25.—The president plans not to present the defensive treaty with France to the senate until after his return from his projected tour of the country.

No statement was made at the White House regarding the charges in the senate that the president had violated a treaty section by not presenting it simultaneously with the Versailles treaty.

Germans Arrested For An Alleged Plot to Defraud the Government

COBLENZ, July 25.—Sixty Germans from Cologne, Berlin and other cities have been arrested in connection with an alleged plot to defraud the government out of millions of marks by eliminating competition at the auctions of army supplies.

ANOTHER CALL FOR INCREASE

ELECTRIC RAILWAYS FACE UP- WARD COST OF LABOR.

Commission Is Advised That the Existing Rates Are Inadequate to Meet Expense.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Dr. Thomas Conway, Jr., of the University of Pennsylvania, told the federal electric railway commission today that the electric railway industry faces another upward leap in labor costs which will make the existing rates entirely inadequate.

SOME FAMOUS INNS

CLOSE THEIR DOORS

PHILADELPHIA, July 25.—Inns in existence since colonial days are among those closed by the wartime prohibition law.

One of the most noted is the General Wayne Inn, on the Montgomery pike outside of Philadelphia, which was opened in 1704 as the Wayside Inn by Quaker settlers. "Mad" Anthony Wayne used the inn as his headquarters during the revolution and it has been a polling place for more than 200 years.

Turk's Head Inn at West Chester has closed its doors. In revolution it was visited by General Washington, Lafayette, "Mad" Anthony Wayne, Colonel Taylor and many other officers of Washington's army.

CAPT. SMITH AND WIFE GOING SOON

WILL MAKE THEIR FAREWELL SUNDAY EVENING

Departure of Head of Local Salvation Army Corps and His Life Helper Regretted

Announcement made to The Observer today by Capt. William G. Smith, commander of the Salvation Army corps in La Grande, that Mrs. Smith and he are to hold their farewell meeting at their hall Sunday evening, prior to their departure on Tuesday next for their new home and new work in Portland, will be learned with surprise and with regret by La Grande citizens who have been impressed by their faithful efforts and valuable work during the year they have been in charge of the La Grande post. They go to Portland to take charge of the work at No. 4 post in that city. The cause of the Salvation Army in La Grande has prospered under the care of Capt. and Mrs. Smith and they have well earned the promotion that sends them to Portland.

Tomorrow evening, Saturday, there will be a social evening held at the Salvation Army hall by the members of the corps and their friends as a farewell to Capt. and Mrs. Smith and their four children. The evening program will consist of a program of refreshments, and all friends of the corps, leaders and of the work are included in the general invitation that is extended.

TO PROTECT SIBERIAN RAILROAD

PRESIDENT EXPLAINS OBJECT OF AMERICAN MILITARY EXPEDITION

FORCES WILL REMAIN AS LONG AS NECESSARY

Another Object is Giving Relief to Russians in Siberia by Supplying Food and Clothing—No Intention of Interfering With Russian Sovereignty

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The president advised the senate today that the American military expedition to Siberia was primarily to protect and maintain the operation of the Siberian railroad. It was indicated that the expedition would remain as long as such protection was necessary. Another purpose was to give relief to the Russians in Siberia by supplying food and clothing. There is no intention of interfering with Russian sovereignty.

A letter from the president said the retention of American troops to protect the American railroad forces is a "vital element." By agreement with Japan, American troops will remain as long as the railroad expedition maintains operation.

HID BODY OF PLAYMATE

PORTLAND, July 25.—George Miller, age 19, who hid the body of his playmate Frank McCauley, age seven, in the attic of the Miller home Monday admitted that he had killed the lad accidentally while exhibiting his father's automatic army revolver. The body was discovered when the blood dripped through the ceiling on the Miller parents bed.

OFFICIALS IN AIR FLIGHTS

THREE MEN MADE JOURNEYS AT SALEM TODAY.

Governor Olcott to Make Another Airplane Trip to Portland Later in the Day, He Says.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

SALEM, July 25.—Governor Olcott, Penitentiary Warden Steiner and T. B. Kay made flights with aviators over Salem today. Governor Olcott will fly to Portland later in the day. It is announced.

Convention Closed and New Officers Named For District Epworth League

ISLAND CITY, July 25.—The district League convention closed Sunday evening after a three day session at Island City. Every session was interesting and Dr. Doney's addresses were well appreciated. Sunday was a big day. C. E. Tenney, president of Gooding college spoke at the morning service and again at the afternoon meeting. A large audience listened to his inspired words at services, and no one, especially the young people who heard him could fail to realize the necessity of putting the best into life whatever their calling might be. There is a challenge in this day and age for the best service planned after the Master's teaching.

At noon the people of the community and delegates gathered at the Odd Fellows' hall and enjoyed a fine basket dinner, which was one of the most enjoyable social times. Dr. Doney spoke again in the evening and installed the new elected district cabinet who are: Miss Josie Blokland, Island City, president; Miss Fannie McKennon, La Grande, 1st vice president; Miss Fay Milligan, La Grande, 2nd vice president; Leslie Thompson, Island City, 3rd vice president; Miss Merville Miles, Enjin, 4th vice president; Miss Beulah Smith, Island City, corresponding secretary; Roy Winchester, Enterprise, treasurer; Don Cramer, La Grande, recording secretary. This closed what will perhaps be the last district convention, for next year an institute will be held which is a combination of convention, summer school and an outing.

The Island City League wish to extend the sincere thanks and appreciation to all who through the opening of their homes and co-operation helped to make the convention a success. Also to the Odd Fellows for their courtesy.

IS TAKEN BY HEART FAILURE

FIREMAN C. K. JONES DIED SUDDENLY YESTERDAY.

C. K. Jones, a fireman in the employ of the O. W. R. & N. Co. here, known familiarly to his friends and associates in the railroading game as "Casey" Jones, passed away about 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, July 24, at his home in this city, a victim of heart failure. He had been in poor health for some time and had recently returned from a trip taken with his family through California and back to his former home in Arkansas in the hopes of benefiting his health. He had been a resident of this city for several years. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made, the family awaiting word as to the time of arrival of a brother from California.

Deceased was born near Berryville, Arkansas, thirty-seven years ago. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife and daughter in La Grande, to whom the sympathy of many friends goes out and three brothers in California, his mother and another brother in Arkansas, and a sister in Oklahoma.

LEAGUE IS TO REST FOR ONE WEEK

COVENANT QUESTION TO GO WAY TO CONSIDERING TREATY WITH COLUMBIA

STATE DEPARTMENT HAS URGED IMMEDIATE ACTION

Involves the Payment of \$25,000,000 to Columbia by the United States for Damages Arising From Acquisition by America of Panama Canal

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Under the present plans of the Republican leaders the peace treaty will be set aside temporarily until next week for the consideration of a treaty between the United States and Columbia, proposing the payment of \$25,000,000 to Columbia for damages arising from the American acquisition of the Panama canal.

Senator Lodge said that the foreign relations committee will consider the treaty with plans for immediate ratification by the senate. State department officials have urged action.

WILL CONSIDER RESERVATIONS.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—President Wilson has promised to earnestly consider five proposed reservations which Senator Spencer, of Missouri, said must be agreed upon if the treaty and covenant is ratified. One provides that the Shantung settlement be reconsidered and readjusted as soon as possible. Another expresses regrets at the Shantung settlement.

MEXICANS ARE AFTER BANDITS

CARRANZA GIVES ORDERS TO CAPTURE HOLD-UPS.

Reported Activities Are Sent in to the Navy Department From Mexico Today.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Acting under Carranza's special instructions, Mexican military authorities at Tampico are making unusual efforts to capture the bandits who held up the sailors of the Cheyenne, according to a report sent to the navy department today.

AGRICULTURAL BILL HAS BEEN SIGNED

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The president has signed the agricultural appropriation bill from which the daylight saving rider has been eliminated.

BRITISH WIRE STRIKE HAS BEEN SETTLED

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
LONDON, July 25.—The strike of a quarter of a million men in the coal mines which threatened to paralyze many industries was settled today.

THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, July 25.—For Oregon—Fair in west portion; fair and cool in the east portion tonight. Saturday fair, gentle westerly winds.

WALLOWA MAN IS DECORATED

JOHN H. WOMACK GIVEN DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Name Appears in the List of Honored Soldiers As Announced in Washington Today

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, July 25.—In the list of the distinguished service cross awards announced by the war department today is included the name of John H. Womack, of Wallowa, Oregon.

GEORGIA LEGISLATURE VOTES DOWN SUFFRAGE

ATLANTA, Ga., July 25.—Ratification of the federal suffrage amendment failed, so far as the present session of the Georgia legislature is concerned, yesterday, when the senate voted against ratification, 39 to 10, and the house took similar action by a vote of 132 to 24.

INDIAN COMMISSIONERS CLOSE ANNUAL SESSION

SYRACUSE, N. Y., July 25.—The United States board of Indian commissioners adjourned its annual session yesterday, after making arrangements for recommendations in its annual report to congress regarding ways and means to overcome mortality and to enforce school attendance and health regulations on the 140 Indian reservations of the country.

HOMES BURN IN FOREST FIRES

LOGGING CAMP IN IDAHO ALSO DESTROYED

Stakes in Banks of Fire Fighters Believed to Be Due to L. W. W. Influence

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

SPOKANE, July 25.—Destructive to the homes of six or eight home-owners northeast of Coeurville, Washington, and the logging camp at Kats Spur, Idaho, by forest fires is reported. Destructive strikes by fire fighters is reported and are believed to be due to the L. W. W's.

BELA KUN TO TAKE REFUGE IN ARGENTINA

LONDON, July 25.—Bela Kun, deposed head of the Budapest soviet government, has asked the allies for safe conduct to the Argentine republic, where he intends living, according to an Elysee telegraph Copenhagen dispatch, quoting Vienna reports.

SENATE APPROVES LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR HOME LEADER

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The senate approved the agricultural appropriation bill granting temporary leave of absence to home-leaders whose crops have been destroyed by drought was agreed by the house Thursday and the measure was sent to the president.

AIRPLANE CARRIERS ON STRIKE

THE MOVEMENT IS A PROTEST AGAINST THE DISCHARGE OF TWO PILOTS

HAD REFUSED TO TAKE AIR DURING A FOG

Mail Carrying Aviators of New York Are Joined in the "Walk Out" by Aviators in Cleveland, Chicago and Elsewhere—Better Machines Are Also Demanded

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

NEW YORK, July 25.—Airplane mail carrying aviators have gone on a strike as a protest against the discharge of two air pilots who refused to take the air during a fog. The pilots demand heavier, slower and better equipped machines.

Pilots Were Dismissed

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The mail plane pilots who refused to take the air today have been dismissed, the postoffice department announced. Some of the planes left on schedule time.

CONFIDENCE VOTED "TIGER"

Efforts to Overturn French Government Meet With Failure.

PARIS, July 25.—Premier Clemenceau's opponents continued Wednesday and Thursday to "shake the plum tree" in the hope of bringing down another ministerial plum like M. Borrel, former food minister, if not the entire crop.

Thursday they attacked the premier through Minister of Finance Klotz and his financial policy with the result that there was an increased government majority on a vote of confidence, the government getting 304 votes to 134.

FIRE DESTROYS MEAT PACKING PLANT

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PORTLAND, July 25.—Joseph Ober's meat packing plant at Kenton was destroyed by fire today. The loss is \$10,000.

MATRICIDE SENTENCE TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT

MOUNT Ayr, Ia., July 25.—Roy Emerson, Creston, Ia., undertaker, convicted last Saturday of murdering his mother, Thursday was sentenced by Judge Homer Fuller to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary.

SALVATION LASSIES GET CROIX-DE GUERRE

First and Only Women of the First Division to Receive Such Honors

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY OF OCCUPATION, (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—Miss Cora Van Norden, of New York City, a Salvation Army welfare worker with the first division, and Miss Gertrude Ely, of Bryne Mawr, Penn., in charge of Y. M. C. A. activities with the Eighteenth Infantry, were decorated recently with the Croix de Guerre by General Andrieu, commander of a French infantry division, on behalf of the French government. The ceremonies took place at Montauban, near the edge of the Bridgehead, headquarters of the First division.

General Andrieu also presented the Cross of a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor to Colonel William F. Harrel of the Sixteenth Infantry, to Colonel A. Hunt of the Eighteenth Infantry, and to Sergeant Michael B. Ellis, of the Twenty-eighth Infantry.

After the presentations had been made, following the French custom, General Andrieu kissed the American officers of the check but when the general stepped in front of Miss Ely and Miss Van Norden the officer appeared perplexed as to the proper procedure after a decoration had been presented to a woman.

Major General E. McGilchrist, commander of the First division, quickly went to his aid. Witnesses of the ceremony say General McGilchrist kissed the young women on both cheeks after the French custom.

Vacation Correspondence

YOUNG MAN! WE DON'T ALLOW SMOKING IN THE PARLOR

Dear Pal
Vacation here
Well, I am still here
having a good time, its so
homelike
Something doing
every minute of the day
and night.
"Oh Boy" the most
convenient scenery along the
shore has a fellow who says
at and the sunsets are
great
While soon said
and some home town papers
your Old Chem
Gruener