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HUNS ARE STILL DEFIANT.

Dictated Peace Terms Held to be Intolerable

Copenhagen, April 27.—The president of the German national assembly, Konstantin Fehrenbach, speaking at Freiburg, said he was certain that President Wilson was inclined to insist on his 14 points. It was very possible, he said, that a plenary session would be convoked to decide regarding the signing a preliminary peace treaty, as well as to co-operate in the peace negotiations.

"We are in no doubt as to what it would mean for the southwestern corner of the empire if we refused to sign the peace treaty," said Herr Fehrenbach. "I take it that in any case we shall not sign a peace which leaves prisoners still in captivity and does not bring the raising of the blockade. Neither will we sign a peace which surrenders the Saar region to our enemies and promises Danzig to the Poles.

"The government and parliament jointly bear a tremendous responsibility, but behind them stands the entire German nation. Our enemies must know and it must penetrate their countries—we will not accept any dictated terms and will not be a slave nation.—Oregonian.

Second Wire to Coos Bay.

Marshfield, Or., April 27.—With the stringing of a second commercial wire between Eugene and Coos Bay, the Western Union Telegraph company hopes to eliminate much of the trouble which hampered communications for a period of three years, following the completion of the new line along the Southern Pacific Willamette-Pacific branch.

The new line extends into the Coquille valley as far as the county seat, and will be continued to Powers. This will remove a considerable load from the Marshfield terminus and, it is believed, remedy most of the delays.

Hotels are Made Ready.

Hood River, Or., April 28.—The prospects of hundreds of motor tourists and the general prosperous condition of the Hood River valley has resulted in a wave of improvement on the part of local hotel men and restaurateurs. Investment in a new cafe equipment, soda fountains and general improvements will reach into the thousands of dollars.

CHANGES IN LEAGUE COVENANT.

Amendments May Remove Objection of Senate.

Following are the principal changes. Writing in of the Monroe Doctrine articles recognizing existing treaties of arbitration and regional understandings.

Provision for increasing membership of the league.

Provision for withdrawal of any member upon two years' notice provided all obligations while a member were fulfilled.

Provision that decisions of assembly or council must be unanimous unless specifically provided otherwise.

Naming of Geneva as permanent seat of league.

Armament reduction plans must be adopted by affected nation before they become effective.

Domestic questions exempted from league's jurisdiction.

Vote of council concurred in by representatives of all other members may expel member violating any covenant of the league.

Recognition of and encouragement of duly organized voluntary Red Cross. Amendments to covenant made by majority instead of three-fourths vote, amendments not binding on any dissenting member, but violation of them forfeiting membership.

Mandatories over German colonies of former Ottoman dominions shall be given only to nations willing to accept them.

Hart Ranch Sold To Portland Men.

Dr. Henry Hart has sold his ranch south of the city to W. J. Furnice and Max Liederman of Portland, consideration being \$30,000. The new purchasers will take possession of the property the first of May. This is one of the first large ranch sales in the valley for some time and demonstrates that ranch values are being well maintained. The property consists of 100 acres, with Dr. Hart's residence, several ranch buildings, 70 acres being in bearing pears and apples about equally divided. The oldest trees are twelve years old, all of the trees, however, are in bearing. Dr. Hart who purchased the property several years ago coming here from Quincy, Ill., has moved to Medford where he has been practicing his profession of physician and surgeon for the past two years. He will remain in the city.—Mail Tribune.

SEAPLANE FLIES 20 HOURS.

Distance of 1250 Miles is Reported Covered.

Washington, April 26.—A naval seaplane attached to the Hampton Roads base has just completed a 20-hour flight in which it covered a distance of 1250 miles, the navy department was advised late today by the commandant at Norfolk. This distance is about two-thirds of that which the NC seaplane squadron must cover on the proposed trans-Atlantic flight from Newfoundland.

This is the longest flight ever made by a naval seaplane and as the craft is smaller than those which Commander John H. Towers will take overseas, naval officers believe its performance augurs well for the success of the trans Atlantic flight.

The seaplane which made the flight was of the F-5 type, fitted with two liberty motors of 400 horsepower each. A half gale of from 20 to 30 miles an hour was blowing throughout the voyage, but in spite of it the machine was able to maintain an average speed of more than 60 miles an hour.

The plane carried a crew of four men. Lieutenant-Commander H. B. Grow was in command and with him were Ensigns H. S. Souther, D. Thomas and R. Irvine.

15 Miners Die in Gas Explosion

Birmingham, Ala., April 29.—Fifteen miners, employees of the Majestic Coal Mining company, are believed dead, and fourteen have been rescued, badly burned, as the result of what is thought to have been a gas explosion in the Majestic coal mine, 22 miles north of here, shortly after noon today. Five bodies have been recovered at three o'clock this afternoon.

Submarine Chasers Reach Puget Sound.

Everett, Wash., April 29.—Nine submarine chasers, en route to Bremerton, Wash., from the North Atlantic after war service, arrived here yesterday and were greeted with a din of whistles and cheers from crowds gathered at the dock. The flotilla was accompanied by the coast guard cutter Snohomish. The vessels went to Seattle today.

Douglas county prunes crop for 1918 sold for \$1,500,000. 1919 crop expected to be 80 carloads.

OUR OWN STATE

Some Recent Happenings In Various Parts of Oregon

Beet Growing is Urged.

Klamath Falls, Or., April 28.—Klamath county has plenty of room for three or four enormous beet sugar factories, which will bring in people and build up the country faster than any other agricultural industry, in the opinion of F. S. Bramwell, vice president of the Oregon state chamber of commerce, who has been here for a few days from Grants Pass.

Mr. Bramwell is a big sugar beet man, associated with the Utah-Idaho Sugar company, and is anxious to see the industry launched here. He left this morning for his home at Grants Pass.

Firemen Building Pavilion.

Marshfield, Or., April 28.—The Marshfield volunteer fire department has started work on its \$3000 pavilion which will have quarters for the company, and a dance hall. The building will be erected at Fourth and Curtis and is to be constructed mainly by the members and friends who will save a large amount in wages. The cost is to be defrayed by subscriptions of the firemen and by funds now in the company's treasury. The firemen contemplate manning a Fourth of July celebration here to extend over two days.

Hill Road Being Improved.

Hood River, Or., April 28.—Crews of men, both in Hood River and Wasco counties, have been at work last week scraping and improving the hill road between here and The Dalles. Motorists arriving in the city yesterday reported the way, except for the heavy grades encountered, in excellent shape. Robert Robertson, in charge of a crew of Hood River men, has been operating a scraper and has filled all bad ruts.

Company Increases Stock.

Brownsville, Or., April 27.—The Brownsville Canning company, at a recent meeting of the directors, voted to increase the capital stock \$50,000. The new plant at Corvallis will be a \$25,000 structure. Three acres, with a value of about \$5000, were donated to establish a cannery in Corvallis. The old Corvallis cannery building, in a different part of the town, is also owned by the Brownsville Canning company.

Hen Lays Remarkable Eggs.

Cottage Grove, Or., April 27.—William Johnson, of Dorena, has a hen who doesn't know the war is over. An egg produced by this hen, which is on display here, measures 7x9 inches and weighs five ounces. Mr. Johnson says this is the third egg of this size produced within a short time by this hen. The other two, upon being opened, were found to have a perfect egg of ordinary size floating about inside and it is thought this egg is similarly formed.

Siskiyou Road is Open

Ashland, Or., April 27.—The Pacific highway from Ashland across the Siskiyou range to the California line is open for travel. Road Supervisor True, with a crew of men inspected the road last week and found snow gone from the highway. The heavy gravel slides have been removed and the roads are drying fast.

Valuable Hens Make Record.

Cottage Grove, Or., April 28.—Mrs. F. C. Kalston has issued a challenge to any poultry producers to beat her record with 14 hens. From April 1 to April 22 these ladies laid 237 eggs, averaging more than two thirds of an egg for each hen a day. In the flock are eight brown Leghorns, four white Leghorns and two Minorcas.

Women Seek Publisher.

Cove, Or., April 28.—The Cove Women's Civic Improvement club is looking for a publisher for the Cove Sentinel, now in its third year, Calvin Goss, having retired from the newspaper business with last Friday's edition.

First Pavement of New Year.

Salem, Or., April 28.—The state highway department announces that the first pavement for this year has been laid on the project from Grants Pass to the Jackson county line. S. S. Schell has the contract.

BOND SECURITY APPROVED.

Limitations on Loans by National Banks are Removed.

Washington, April 28.—A ruling Saturday by Comptroller of the Currency Williams virtually removed all limitations on loans by national banks where liberty bonds or victory liberty loan notes are deposited as security to the extent of 105 per cent or more of the amount borrowed. The action extended until January 1, 1920, the period in which national banks are permitted to make loans on security of liberty bonds or victory notes in excess of 10 per cent of their capital and surplus.

The controller also reported that analysis of statements of national banks as of March 4, 1919, showed that although a majority of the seventeen billion dollars of liberty bonds issued were placed by national banks, nearly all of the bonds went to the customers of the banks and not to the banks themselves.

Ask Early Action In Oleott Suit.

Salem, April 28.—Briefs of two Portland legal firms were filed today by attorneys, as friends of the suit, in the action of Governor Oleott against State Treasurer Hoff, to determine whether Mr. Oleott is a governor in fact, or in name only. Both briefs held that he is actually governor of the state and entitled to exercise all the powers of the chief executive. They held that the public importance of the decision should govern the scope of the court's decision and pointed to the need of early action in the interest of state business.

A California Coal that is Rich in Oil.

For many years lignite mined near Lone, Calif., has been used as fuel, though it contains a large quantity of moisture and therefore does not burn very well. Recently, however, on account of its resemblance to some oil shale that are apparently similar to cannel coals, this lignite has been tested by the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, to determine whether it would not yield oil on destructive distillation. The results of the tests show that the best of the lignite, when destructively distilled, will yield 62 gallons of oil to the ton and, as a by-product, at least 18 pounds of ammonium sulphate, which is a valuable fertilizer. This lignite is remarkable "fat". Although it contains 46 per cent of moisture, analysis made by the Bureau of Mines shows that it contains also 31 per cent of volatile matter and 16 per cent of fixed carbon. The ash amounts to only 7 per cent, and the heating value is 6,060 British thermal units.

Although the bed containing this lignite does not appear to underlie a large territory, it is doubtless destined to receive attention sooner or later as a possible source of oil and gasoline.

Air Service Needs Men.

New York, April 28.—All men who wish to take part in the development of the nation's air service as aviators or dirigible-balloon pilots, chauffeurs, mechanics or work at some 30 other trades required in the air service, by sending their names and addresses to the department of air service officer, 104 Broad street, New York, immediately, will receive an important communication on the subject prepared by Captain Charles J. Glidden after serving as an officer several months in the United States army flying school at Southernfield, Americus, Ga., and at the United States army balloon school at Fort Omaha, Nebraska.

Road to be Extended Ten Miles.

Aberdeen, Wash., April 28.—W. R. Behm, formerly with the Milwaukee freight department here, now general manager of the Chehalis & Cascade road, with headquarters at Chehalis, stated in conversation here today that present plans contemplate the extension of that road 10 miles this summer. The extension was to have been made last year, but construction was delayed on account of war.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Manufactures, Enterprises and Improvements, Providing Payrolls and Promoting Development of Oregon.

April 28.—Oregon hog crop in 1918 sold for \$24,500,000.

Pacific Steamship Co. will load two ships with flour at Portland.

Portland flouring mills to build elevator to cover entire block.

Portland plans \$3,050,000 public buildings and improvements.

Dallas prunes packing plant for 1918-19 handles 9-3-4 million pounds.

Pilot Rock votes a \$35,000 school building.

Contract let for million yards dredging in Tillamook bay.

The Dalles—20 acres carroll contract for packing house here.

Albany—Far West wood chest manufacturing plant doubles capacity.

Klamath Falls railroad to be extended 20 miles to Sprague river.

Eugene—Highway to Lorrain to be constructed.

Newport—Company organized here to build logging flume.

Fir lumber manufactures in Oregon and Washington asked by Railroad Administration to supply 2,000,000 ties, worth nearly \$1,750,000 for use of eastern railroads.

Eugene is in the field for a meat packing plant.

Five thousand acres leased for oil drilling between The Dalles and DuRoi.

Roseburg moving for a public library.

Mayor Baker of Portland is opposed to allowing the police to form a union and go under the labor union federation. He says they are not laboring men in the trade union meaning of the word.

Astoria—Bids for third reclamation district have been opened.

Dallas—Dufur highway may be built this year.

Banks—People of this vicinity should pull together and secure Banks-Buxton road to coast.

Baker—Old Highland mine coming to front bigger than ever.

Baker—Big mass road meeting votes unanimously to bond county for \$500,000.

Reedsport mill to operate in near future, capacity 125,000 feet.

Astoria in need of another modern hotel.

Roseburg—Work begun on large apartment house.

Echo—3 of the Farmers Union elevators in county sold.

Albany—Steam laundry to have \$25,000 building.

Bend—\$28,000 bond voted for new school.

Pacific highway from Sutherlin to Roseburg to be paved.

We must have sound policies and sound laws if we float a merchant marine on the seven seas and carry our commerce to ends of the world.

Roseburg—\$11,144 contracts let for grading Divide-Douglas county line section of 1.2 miles.

R. E. Simmons, foreign trade expert of American lumber industry estimates that western Europe, including England, France, Belgium and Holland will require 7,000,000,000 feet of lumber annually for next four years and that a large part of their lumber which in the past has come from Russia will now come from this country.

Portland—State highway commission lets 10 paving and 4 grading contracts, totaling \$2,060,000.

Planting of trees in 4 Oregon forests and one national forest started.

Birdman Flies to Lunch.

Helena, Mont., April 26.—To keep a luncheon engagement with his cousin, Mrs. Shirley Ford, wife of a Great Falls banker, Major Carl Spatz, commander of the army flying circus here, flew from Helena to Great Falls this morning in a Y-5 airplane. He left the aviation field at Fort Harrison at 11:29 o'clock and alighted at Great Falls 45 minutes later. The air distance is 65 miles.

Major Spatz broke one of the propeller blades of his machine in alighting and will return to Helena by automobile.

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