

WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important
Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments
and Pacific Northwest and Other
Things Worth Knowing.

A plea that Major General Leonard Wood be permitted to go to France was made in the house Thursday by Representative McKenzie, of Illinois, Republican.

Four persons are known to be killed and at least 20 injured when Illinois Central passenger train No. 11, west-bound, was wrecked near Aplington, Ia., Thursday.

Two hundred thousand men of draft age, who, because of minor defects, have been held by examining surgeons over the country for limited service, are to be employed in producing or handling equipment for the army.

German airmen Wednesday night deliberately dropped bombs on hospitals in which there were scores of American and hundreds of French sick and wounded. The hospital is in a town many miles in the rear of the front.

Sir Gilbert Parker, the author, has resigned his seat in parliament. It is understood that Sir William Weir, secretary of state for the air forces, will be the government candidate at a by-election in the Gravesend district to fill the vacancy.

B. A. Felver, organizer for the Non-partisan League, was nearly hanged at Clarks, Neb., by a mob, but saved himself by giving up his list of members, all his literature, and promising to give his automobile to the Red Cross and to enlist in the army.

The grip-like epidemic in Spain continues to spread. There are 120,000 victims in Madrid. King Alfonso is still in bed with the malady, but his condition is not dangerous. The population believes the disease was brought to Spain by German submarines.

Francis S. Nash, a medical director of the navy, and his wife were indicted by a grand jury in Washington, D. C., Thursday on a charge of hoarding foodstuffs. Investigators found among other foodstuffs more than a ton and a half of sugar stored in the Nash home.

Twenty-two thousand men of the army, engaged in the spruce forests of Oregon and Washington, have been transferred from the control of the chief signal officer at Washington, D. C., to the Western department of the army according to orders received at headquarters at San Francisco.

Four hundred and fifty young ensigns of the reserve force received their certificates after having completed a course of 15 weeks of intensive training at the naval academy at Annapolis. A new class of reserve officers consisting of 700 members will be formed at Annapolis on June 11.

Grace Lusk was found guilty at Waukesha, Wis., Thursday, of second degree murder for the killing of Mrs. Mary Newman Roberts. When the verdict was delivered Miss Lusk attempted to choke D. S. Tullar, acting district attorney, but was overpowered and led screaming from the courtroom.

Provost Marshal General Crowder has notified draft subjects away from home that they must register with the local board in whose jurisdiction they are sufficiently in advance of June 5 to enable the boards to send their certificates to their home boards. Registration is completed at the office of the home boards.

The Mexican government has notified American mining companies operating in Mexico of its intention to double the amount of bullion they are required to reimport against the ore exported. Under the present arrangement the companies send back into Mexico in bullion 25 per cent of the value of gold and silver contained in the ores they ship.

The Salvation Army's campaign for a war fund of \$1,000,000 has exceeded its quota with a total of \$2,257,334, according to a statement made in New York by Commander Evangeline Booth.

Living in such poverty that, at her death, her furniture and personal effects were valued at but \$150, Bertha Toadteberg, of Brooklyn, N. Y., managed to save enough so her brother Edward, of Yakima, receives \$10,923 as his half of the estate. A like sum goes to another brother.

ARSENAL FIRE LOSS LARGE

Two Warehouses at St. Louis Burn—
Enemy Alien in Custody.

St. Louis—Warehouses Nos. 23 and 24 at the United States arsenal here were destroyed by fire shortly before midnight Saturday with a loss of army equipment stored there estimated by the police at more than \$3,000,000.

Numerous other warehouses were threatened by the fire, and the flames threatened more than \$6,000,000 worth of army supplies within the large depot.

A report was current that the origin of the fire was incendiary and substance was given to this belief by the taking into custody by the police of an Austrian enemy alien, who was captured within the stockade shortly after an explosion was heard, which is believed to have started the fire.

An explosion is said to have partially wrecked one of the warehouses. Details of the conflagration's extent or cause are meager, as military authorities immediately took charge and, throwing a heavy guard of soldiers around the enclosure, refused to admit only the fire fighting units.

Officers of the quartermaster's department said that more than 15,000,000 yards of khaki-cloth for army uniforms, valued at more than \$3,000,000 was destroyed.

Fifteen thousand soldiers' service hats were also lost.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY GERMAN PROVINCE

Liberty of Country is Lost and Sub-
jugation of Dual Monarchy Made
Complete by Kaiser.

Washington, D. C. — Complete subjugation of Austria-Hungary to German domination and the elimination of any hope for even semi-independence that may have been entertained by the Czechs, Jugo-Slavs and other anti-German elements in the dual monarchy is seen here as the certain result of the new military treaty between Germany and Austria-Hungary.

The State department has just received through its own sources what is believed to be the text of this remarkable document, and it is said to confirm the general statements of its provisions already announced in the press.

Among other things it shows that if there ever was a common ground upon which the United States might have discussed peace with Austria, it has disappeared along with what liberty of action had been left to the dual monarchy by her ally.

In this treaty, as officials here interpret it, Austria-Hungary surrenders to Germany not only for the present, but for the future as well, the complete control of her military establishment, in time of peace as well as in war.

This carries with it the right to organize the Austrian army even to its personnel, which means that the Germans will hold to military service, under her own commanders, if necessary, every fit Slav, Czech, Italian, Pole and Roumanian comprising the population of the Austro-Hungarian empire. It follows that there can be no political independence of the people.

Secretary Lansing recently formally declared that the nationalistic aspirations of the Czech-Slovaks and the Jugo-Slavs for freedom have the earnest sympathy of the American government. This message has gone to the ambitious, oppressed races as a further assurance of the purpose of the United States to enter into no peace treaty with their oppressors that does not concede their right to separate national existence.

U-Boat in Mid-Atlantic.

An Atlantic Port — Officers of a steamer arriving here Monday from a foreign port report that the vessel was fired on by a German submarine in mid-ocean and that a torpedo missed the boat by only two feet. As a warning was shouted by the lookout, the steamer swung about and took a zigzag course. The next moment a torpedo was seen heading toward the ship, barely missing it. Before a shot could be fired the submarine dived.

German Towns in Terror.

Washington, D. C.—Allied air raids on German towns are demoralizing the German people. Advice to the State department Monday said that the effect upon the populations of cities bombed was far greater than heretofore reported.

Paris—Paris was again under fire Sunday. The bombardment by long-range guns was resumed Sunday morning.

Ship Employees Get Raise.

Washington, D. C.—Flat increases of \$20 a month to all chief stewards and chief cooks and \$15 a month to all other members of the steward's department on Atlantic and Gulf vessels were announced Monday by the shipping board.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

A total of \$2156.53 was spent in Mayor Harley's campaign for the governorship, according to a statement filed with Secretary Olcott.

The Eugene chapter of the Red Cross has announced that it will publish the names of all persons financially able to give to the cause, who flatly refused to make subscriptions.

The machinery of the Guy Roberts sawmill at Monroe has been shipped to Toledo and will be installed in a new mill to be erected by Mr. Roberts on a tract of tideland. The mill will have a cutting capacity of 50,000 feet daily.

R. G. Woodward, of Hill City, Kan., arrived in Baker, Monday to visit his brother, M. R. Woodward, a mining man. This is the first time the brothers have met in 36 years since M. R. Woodward left Hill City to come west in 1882.

Union county's retailers and flour dealers meeting in special session recently at La Grande, volunteered to totally abstain from the use of wheat products until after the harvest. The resolution passed unanimously and the representation was extensive.

Military training will be a part of the course at the Medford high school next year. This move was decided on by the school board, when Melvin Elletstad, who has been acting as manual training instructor, was engaged as instructor in manual training and military training for the next school year.

The state time venture is temporarily dead. At a special meeting of the state time board, to be held soon, it is expected that the board will order all machinery at the Gold Hill lime plant closed up, the plant locked and shut down and a guard placed over it, pending such time as further funds are forthcoming.

Wages for ranch hands during the haying season in the west end of Umatilla county, where work has already commenced on the harvest of the first crop of alfalfa, will be \$3 for teamsters and \$4 for stackers, according to an agreement reached among the farmers of the district at a meeting held at Echo Saturday.

Plans are now being made by the business men of Klamath Falls for a celebration on July 4. No great outlay will be made, but some outside attractions will be secured if possible for the city and country residents surrounding. An effort has been made to secure the Juvenile brass band at Grants Pass for this occasion.

Grocers of Umatilla county may form an organization on the lines recently formed by the grocers of Pendleton for the purpose of obtaining uniform rulings on the food regulations during the war. Invitations have been sent to all grocers in the county by the officers of the Pendleton organization, asking them to unite in the new county-wide plan.

The Eugene city council, in accordance with the state-wide plan decided upon at a recent meeting in Portland, Friday night passed an ordinance providing that all able-bodied men must work at some useful occupation 36 hours each week, regardless of their financial circumstances. A fine of not to exceed \$100 is provided as a penalty for violations of the ordinance.

Resources of Portland banks increased \$15,495,947.17 since May 1, 1917, and \$8,605,061.21 since March 4, 1918, according to a statement prepared by Superintendent of Banks Bennett Saturday. The total resources as of May 10, this year, were \$126,275,233.18. Savings deposits increased \$4,541,609.61 and time certificates of deposit decreased \$1,971,657.47 since May 1, 1917. Loans and discounts showed an increase of \$5,125,406.73 since a year ago.

It has now become settled that Molalla is to be the site for the new factory of the Molalla Fire Clay company, work on the erection of which will be started at once. Citizens of Molalla have raised the money for the purchase of a 27-acre tract located between the Southern Pacific and the Willamette Valley Southern railways. Dishes will be the first articles manufactured, although it is the plan to manufacture other lines later. The clay mine is located seven miles south of Molalla and auto trucks will be used to convey the clay to the factory. This will be the only factory of its kind west of the Mississippi river.

A. J. Johnson, of Corvallis, was in Toledo Saturday en route to his spruce sawmill on the Lower Siletz at Millport. Mr. Johnson says his mill has cut and shipped 11 cargoes of airplane spruce to Vancouver since it began operation, a short time ago. He is in need of more boats, as the spruce lumber on hand is greater than the present transportation facilities can handle. It is the opinion that Mr. Johnson has sent out more spruce airplane stock than all other agencies combined since the drive started in this country.

MILLS FACING CRISIS

Must Grind Stock Feed or Shut Down,
Ultimatum Presented to Heads
of Agricultural Bureau.

Either Northwestern mills must be permitted to grind wheat and supply stock feed for Northwestern farmers or the latter will be forced to sell their cattle and hogs and go out of that industry. That ultimatum was presented at the agricultural bureau at its meeting in Spokane Wednesday by John H. Roberts, chairman of the special committee that is investigating the situation.

The bureau will busy itself at once bringing pressure to bear on the grain and milling division authorities at Washington, D. C., for relief. It is declared that Northwestern wheat is being shipped into the Middle West for grinding, depriving the Northwest of the stock feed. It is further contended that the Middle West has corn for stock feed and does not require Western millfeed, which is vitally needed here. Many Northwestern mills are already shutting down because they have ground the maximum allowed them.

R. R. Rogers, chairman of the farm labor committee, announced that a special session would be held at Davenport's hotel to investigate the plan to use boys of the United States working boys' reserve.

R. Insinger, chairman of the bureau, read a letter from Max H. Houser, government grain buyer, Portland, in which he announced that the government was shipping 4,000,000 grain sacks from Calcutta, India, to a Pacific port to relieve the situation in the West. It is estimated that 5,000,000 sacks will be needed in the Northwest.

Forest's Wealth Vast.

R. L. Fromme, forest supervisor of the Olympic National Forest, which contains more marketable spruce timber than any other national forest in the country, arrived in the Portland district headquarters Wednesday to report on conditions there. In the Olympic Forest, which covers 1,500,000 acres of territory, is more than 33,000,000,000 feet of timber.

In the Lake Quinalt region five sawmills are already cutting spruce for government use and more mills are expected to locate there. The sales to these mills are made on condition that the lumber be cut on the ground. So far the sales of timber have averaged from 1,000,000 to 4,000,000 feet.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORT

Wheat—Bulk basis for No. 1 grade: Hard white, \$2.05. Soft white, \$2.03. White club, \$2.01. Red Walla, \$1.98. No. 2 grade, 3c less; No. 3 grade, 6c less. Other grades handled by sample.

Flour—Patents, \$10 per barrel; whole wheat, \$9.60; graham, \$9.20; barley flour, \$14.50@15.00; rye flour, \$10.75@12.75; corn meal, white, \$6.50; yellow, \$6.25 per barrel.

Milfeed—Net mill prices, car lots: Bran, \$30.00 per ton; shorts, \$32; middlings, \$39; mixed cars and less than carloads, 50c more; rolled barley, \$75@76; rolled oats, \$73.

Corn—Whole, \$77 per ton; cracked, \$78.

Hay—Buying prices, delivered: Eastern Oregon timothy, \$29@30 per ton; valley timothy, \$25@26; alfalfa, \$24@24.50; valley grain hay, \$22; clover, \$19@20.00; straw, \$9.00@10.

Butter—Cubes, extras, 37c; prime firsts, 37c; prints, extras, 42c; cartons, 1c extra; butterfat, No. 1, 41c delivered.

Eggs—Ranch, current receipts, 34c; candled, 35c; select, 36c per dozen.

Poultry—Hens, 27c; broilers, 40c; ducks, 32c; geese, 20c; turkeys, live, 26@27c; dressed, 37c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 18c@19c.

Pork—Fancy, 23@23 1/2c per pound.

Sack Vegetables—Carrots, \$1.15 per sack; turnips, \$1.50; parsnips, \$1.25; beets, \$2.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, 75c@1 per hundred; new California, 10c per pound; sweet potatoes, 10c per pound.

Onions—Jobbing prices, 1@1 1/2c per pound.

Cattle—June 1, 1918.

Prime steers.....\$13.40@14.50

Good to choice steers.... 12.00@13.00

Medium to good steers... 10.50@11.50

Fair to medium steers .. 10.00@11.00

Common to fair steers .. 8.50@ 9.50

Choice cows and heifers. 10.50@11.50

Com. to good cows and hf 6.50@ 8.50

Canners 3.50@ 5.50

Bulls 6.50@10.00

Calves 8.50@12.00

Stockers and feeders.... 8.00@10.00

Hogs—

Prime mixed.....\$17.50@17.65

Medium mixed..... 17.35@17.45

Rough heavies..... 16.15@16.35

Pigs..... 15.00@16.00

Bulk..... 17.35

Sheep—

Prime spring lambs....\$17.00@17.50

Heavy lambs..... 16.50@17.00

Yearlings..... 12.50@13.00

Wethers..... 11.50@12.00

Ewes..... 10.00@10.50

NEW REVOLT PLOT IN RUSSIA FOUND

Huge Conspiracy Extends to All
Parts of Country.

MOSCOW UNDER SIEGE

Czecho-Slovak Troops Mutiny—Cap-
ture Railways—Message Tells of
Schemes of Revolutionists.

London — The discovery in Moscow and Petrograd of a large counter revolutionary plot which stretches through the whole of Russia is announced in a Russian wireless message received here Sunday.

To this plot is attributable in part the mutiny of the Czecho-Slovak troops, which have captured important railway junctions and lines.

The soviet executive decided on May 29 to undertake the partial calling to arms of several classes of workmen and the poorer peasants in Petrograd and Moscow and the Kuban and Don regions.

At the same time Moscow has been declared in a state of siege. Counter revolutionaries have been arrested in considerable numbers and energetic measures have been taken against the press. These measures are necessary, it is announced, owing to the situation in which the Russian revolution has been placed.

The question dominating all others is that of supplying the people with bread, now that Russia has been deprived of the Ukraine granary. The Kuban and Don regions are, according to the Russian scheme, menaced by a counter revolutionary band, which hopes by means of complications to provoke intervention by foreign powers and thus drive the Russian masses toward famine.

In most regions the large owners are mobilizing the well-to-do peasants with the object of resisting the efforts of the government to commandeer the flour depots, and are trying to conceal their stocks for purposes of future speculation and finally agents of the counter revolution in the various cities throughout the country, says the statement, "are seeking to excite the starving masses against the soviet government."

Tokio—It is understood that the United States government is studying the feasibility of extending economic assistance to Russia. The proposal to assist the Russians in an economic way was made as a possible solution of the problems now confronting that country. Assistance from the United States would take the form of purchasing and assembling them in European Russia.

It also is proposed to purchase food in Japan for distribution in Russia.

Stockholm—Germany is so well satisfied with the progress of events in the Ukraine that she has decided to withdraw two-thirds of the German troops now in the east. The troops withdrawn will be used on the western front and they will be replaced in the east with Austrians.

Stockholm—How little power remains to Finland and how completely the Germanization of Finland has been effected, is indicated by announcement Sunday that all licenses for import into Finland must be approved by German officials. The Deutsche bank has established a branch office at Helsingfors for the control of affairs.

BIG NAVAL BATTLE EXPECTED ANY TIME

New York—The United States now has a large number of first-class battleships "preparing side by side with the best ships of the British navy for an engagement on the high seas, which is expected to occur at any time, with the German fleet," according to a statement made in an address here Sunday by Rear Admiral Albert Gleaves.

"I am going beyond the border line of secrecy," declared Admiral Gleaves, "when I say that a few days ago there came an alarm to the heads of the British navy that the German battleships were about to come out for the expected engagement on the high seas. 'I know that the British navy heads gave the first-class American battleships a post of honor in preparation for the attack.'"