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KAISER HONORS VON HINDENBURG

Berlin, via The Hague and London.—The first field marshal's baton of the present war has been awarded to General von Hindenburg for his series of victories in defending eastern Prussia against the flood of Russian invasion. His chief of staff and collaborator, General von Ludendorff, has been promoted to a lieutenant-generalship for his share in the successes. The award to Von Hindenburg comes with the great eastern battle undecided, as a reward for the preliminary victories at Lodz, which are said to have thrown the Russians on the defensive with a loss of 60,000 prisoners and 150 guns. It is taken here to indicate that the Emperor has confidence that Von Hindenburg will defeat the Russian army completely. The honor of receiving the Grand Cross of the Iron Cross, the emblem given a field marshal, is the highest military distinction a German commander can receive and was won by Von Hindenburg, as in the cases of the first Von Moltke, Crown Prince Frederick and the Prussian "Red Prince," Frederick Karl, on the field of battle. The elevation of Von Hindenburg will be generally acclaimed in Germany, where he enjoys great popularity. The newspapers comment appreciatively on the honor conferred on Von Hindenburg.

700,000 Germans Gather. London.—The Weekly Dispatch's Boulogne correspondent says: "The Germans have collected 700,000 men in the neighborhood of Arras, where they are preparing for a determined effort to break through the allies' line."

Allies Taking Offensive. London.—The Daily Mail's Rotterdam correspondent reports that the allies are taking the offensive south of Ypres, having discovered that the German line is weakening.

Montenegrins Beat Foe. Paris.—A victory for the Montenegro troops in their campaign against the Austrian forces is reported in a dispatch received by the Havas agency from Cetinje, Montenegro.

Son Accidentally Kills Father. Newberg, Or.—James W. Thomas, of this city, was killed by Elmer Thomas, his 17-year-old son, while the two were near the river on a duck hunt. The son explains that he slipped and fell after aiming the gun, and that the shot struck his father in the back.

AUDACIOUS TORPEDOED

German Submarine Attacked Super-dreadnought, Exploded Magazines. Washington.—Almost a month after the British super-dreadnought Audacious was sunk mysteriously off the Irish coast, the story of her destruction has been made known. She was sunk by a torpedo from a German submarine. Despite all the mystery that the British admiralty sought to throw around this disaster to one of her newest and greatest ships, the real facts can now be published. The news was received here from an authoritative source in Berlin. The Audacious was hit twice and the second blow caused her magazines to explode. This entirely refutes the suggestion that the big battleship was blown up by her own crew "to prevent her becoming a menace to navigation," as was stated some time after the disaster.

Turks Claim Victories. Berlin.—The Turkish embassy made public here reports of a victory for General Liman von Sanders, the German commander of the Turkish forces near Batum, Asiatic Russia, in which the Turks say they inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.

Ice in This Mine Never Melts. Virginia, Minn.—The Norman mine of this city has the distinction of having drifts in which the ice never thaws. Drafts through the underground galleries produce a temperature in one drift which never goes above the freezing point. Other range mines are also cool underground, but few have drifts in which the ice never thaws.

AMERICANS SAFE FROM 'HOLY WAR'

Washington.—American missionaries in Turkey will be fully protected from harm in the holy war reported proclaimed by the Shiek-ul-Islam and 28 other Turkish priests high in Moslem church councils. Acting Secretary of State Lansing announced that Turkey had voluntarily assured Ambassador Morgenthau that orders for careful protection of American interests had been issued to all Turkish officials. American missionaries not only have not been molested in any of the disturbances in Turkey but they are free to leave the country whenever they please, Ambassador Morgenthau cabled. Turkish authorities have never closed the Christian schools maintained by Americans in the Moslem empire. As further evidence of good faith, the Turkish government in the case of official dispatches from the American embassy in Constantinople to the state department has suspended operation of the ban on code telegrams.

Churches in Europe Appeal. New York.—The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America received at headquarters here an appeal from leaders of Protestant churches by several neutral European countries urging churches throughout the world to strive for peace. The appeal originated with the Right Rev. Nathan Soederblom, Archbishop of Upsala, Sweden.

GEN. VON HERRINGEN



General von Herringen, one of the Kaiser's field commanders in France.

CANADA FEARS RAID

Movement Similar to Fenian Attack Remote Possibility. Buffalo, N. Y.—Extraordinary precautions have been taken to guard against a possible raid by Germans or German sympathizers across the Niagara river. A permanent guard of 30 militiamen has been stationed at Fort Erie, directly opposite Buffalo, and the whole riverfront from there to Niagara Falls and Queenstown is patrolled day and night by between 500 and 600 members of the newly organized home-guard regiments. Automobiles and motorcycles are used by the men on patrol duty. These measures, it is said, were taken in response to demands from civic organizations along the Canadian side of the Niagara who insisted in communications to the department of militia that a movement similar to the Fenian raid was not a remote possibility.

Births During the Past Week

Born on the 29th to Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Major, a girl. Born on the 24th to Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Steers, a boy. Born on the 25th to Mr. and Mrs. Will Lyells, a son.

OREGON LAND CO. LOCATE HERE

Close Out Holdings in the Western Part of State.

J. D. MORRISON IN CHARGE

The Oregon and Western Colonization Company have moved their headquarters from Portland to Ontario and opened up the finest set of offices in the city, having moved all the fittings from the Portland office here and installed it there. The company has closed out their holdings in the Western part of the state and came here to be near their property. During the past year they have located several hundred settlers, mostly in the Harney valley and consider the prospects for settling up the balance of their lands in the near future as very favorable. Louis W. Hill and W. J. Davidson are the owners of the company, and J. D. Morrison is the man now in charge of the Ontario office.

BURNS AND ONTARIO TO MEET ON THE GRIDIRON

The Ontario boys who went to Burns to play football had a great time while there and speak very highly of the way the Burns people treated them. There will be a return game played here on Friday, the 11th, at the Fairgrounds and the players are planning to have a good team in line so they can win this time, they lost the game at Burns by a score of 12 to 6. The Burns men are practicing and will be prepared to put up a strong game so the locals will have to hustle if they turn the table on them. Several of the old players are getting into the game and are practicing. Ontario should turn out a big crowd to greet the sage brushers and encourage the home team in the best football game of the season.

MALHEUR COUNTY WINS AT WALLA WALLA

Many Prizes Come Here as Result of Exhibit

SNAKE RIVER VALLEY BEST

Malheur county got very nearly all the prizes at the Walla Walla corn show given by the O. W. R. & Railroad. They received first for the best ear. They received first, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh for the best dozen ears. There was no entries in the acre contest because of the fodder requirement, no measurements were made here. There were 290 entries from all parts of the Northwest and the results show that the Snake river valley is the greatest corn section in the northwest. The quantity of corn produced to the acre here is the best for any part of the territory and the quality is the best. Another year the farmers will take more care in the selection of their seed and the seed will be acclimated so that it will do much better. A few years ago the yield was small and the quality poor, because the seed was not adapted to this section and the climate, but this is being overcome and soon we will be producing nearly double what we are now.

THE LAST CITY BONDS HAVE BEEN SOLD

The city has disposed of the last issue of bonds to Sweet Causey and Foster, of Denver, receiving par and accrued interest for them.

COYOTE PROBLEM A SERIOUS ONE

Much Stock Being Killed in the Interior Sections

A MENACE TO HUMAN LIFE

The mad coyote scare is getting worse in the country precincts and the farmers and stockmen are losing cattle, horses and sheep. Lambertson, at Westfall, lost five head of his best milk cows. Charles Becker has lost several head of cattle and many of his neighbors have lost some. A herder in the southern part of the county was bitten and died before he could reach treatment, and another was taken to Vale where he is receiving treatment. Many of the farmers have built close fences around their houses to protect their families from the mad animals. There is no bounty and no effort is being made to stop them, while the damage is constantly growing larger.

NOT MUCH INTEREST IN COMING CITY ELECTION

The nominating caucus called for Monday evening passed off very quietly and but one ticket was placed in nomination. The people are evidently aware that we have had an especially good set of officers the past year and want to retain them as far as possible. Mr. Zimmerman has moved out of town and H. L. Peterson was nominated for the vacancy. Mr. Fraser and Mr. Fry were nominated to succeed themselves. There are a number of important matters to come before the council during the next twelve months and it is important to have a good set of officials to handle the business. With but one set of officers nominated there will be no interest taken in the election.

FISH AND GAME CLUB HOLDS SESSION

Various Committees appointed to Take up Work

MORE PROTECTION THE OBJECT

The Ontario Fish and Game Protective Association met in the rooms of the Commercial Club Wednesday evening with about twenty present. Harry Farmer was appointed a committee to rustle new members for the association. Another committee was appointed to solicit funds to defray the expenses of planting the fish and birds brought here by the state officers. The constitution and by laws as compiled by the committee was adopted. They provide that there will be no initiation fee and dues of fifty cents a year. The members of the association believe they can make this a good bird and fish section and are enthusiastic in the move to get game and fish started and protected here.

TEACHERS EXAMINATION AT VALE THIS MONTH

The following is the program for the teacher's examination which will be held in the Court House in Vale on December 16-17-18 and 19, 1914. Wednesday: Arithmetic, Civil Government, Geography, Grammar. Thursday: History, Orthography, Reading, Physical Geography, Composition. Friday: Theory and Practice, Writing, School Law, Psychology. Saturday: American Literature, Physiology, Algebra. Very truly, FAY CLARK, County School Superintendent

RUSSIANS DIVIDE GERMAN ARMIES

Center is Declared to Have Been Separated From Wings.

London.—The special correspondent of the Times, telegraphing from Petrograd, says: "I feel perfectly confident that the Russian troops are not merely around Cracow, but already probably past that 'last stronghold of the Hapsburgs' as a high military official recently called. "During the last eight days the Russians in Galicia have captured nearly 40,000 Austrian prisoners with guns, maxims and stores." A review of the military operations in the last week by both armies in the rear of Lodz, as given out here semi-officially, says that the German army under General Mackenzen has been cut in three parts, says a dispatch from Petrograd. The right wing is struggling 15 miles west-by-southwest of Lodz in an attempt to unite with the column sent to its assistance from Wellun. The center is 10 miles northeast-by-north of Lodz and is engaged in a desperate effort to cut its way west to rejoin the left wing, which is partially cut off from the strongest position on the Vistula. This army, the review asserts, is moving back before the Russian onslaught, but is stubbornly disputing the Russian advance. The alleged failure of the German plan is attributed to what is termed a reckless attempt to cut the Russian center line.

JAMES W. WADSWORTH



Photo by American Press Association. James W. Wadsworth, Jr., republican, elected United States Senator from New York.

HOLLAND DECLINES HELP

Honor Does Not Permit Aid in Care of Belgian Refugees. The Hague, via London.—The Dutch government has categorically declined all offers of financial aid for Belgian refugees in Holland, which were recently unofficially offered by an American charity. While deeply appreciative of the generous proposal, the government says it feels that it would be incompatible with the country's honor to allow another nation or individual association to assist in this work of mercy. Of the 1,000,000 Belgian refugees who fled into Holland at the beginning of the war, 300,000 penniless ones remain. In addition to the refugees, there are 45,000 Belgian soldiers who crossed the border into Holland and were interned. The expense for their maintenance eventually will be paid by the Belgian government.

British Columbia Feels Safe.

Seattle.—With all five of the German cruisers in the Pacific accounted for in Chilean waters, the British Columbia cities of Victoria, Vancouver and Prince Rupert have recovered from the feeling of uneasiness which prevailed when the Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Leipzig, Dresden and Nurnberg were rovers.

STRIKE COMMISSION NAMED BY WILSON

President Hopes Differences Between Miners and Operators May Be Settled.

Washington.—President Wilson announced the appointment of Seth Low, of New York; Charles W. Mills, of Philadelphia, and Patrick Gilday, of Clearfield, Pa., as a commission through which future differences between operators and miners involved in the present Colorado strike may be settled. The commission, officials explained, was not appointed to deal with the existing differences which have caused rioting and bloodshed in Colorado. In a statement announcing the appointment of the commission, the president expressed "the very earnest and sincere hope that the parties may see it not merely to their own best interest, but also a duty which they owe to the communities they serve and to the nation itself to make use of this instrumentality of peace and render strikes of the kind which has threatened the order and prosperity of the great state of Colorado a thing of the past." Mr. Wilson added that "merely to withdraw the federal troops and leave the situation to settle itself would seem to me to be doing something less than my duty after all that has occurred." He has been asked by Governor Ammons, of Colorado, to withdraw the troops from some of the districts.

SWEDEN MAY DEFY KAISER

Germany Arouses Neighbors by Making Wood Contraband of War. London.—Telegraphing from Copenhagen, the Daily Mail correspondent reports that Germany's declaration making wood contraband of war has caused a tremendous revulsion of feeling in Sweden and Norway against Germany and agitation for an understanding with Russia. Sweden's loss, by reason of this declaration, it is estimated by the correspondent, will amount to \$15,000,000 a year. "The temper of the Swedes," says the correspondent, "is such that they are discussing whether or not it would be advisable to send cargoes of wood to England through the Kattegat and Skagerak under escort of Swedish warships and defy the Germans to attack them."

Zapata Punishes Crime in Capital.

Washington.—Except for a few isolated cases of robbery and violence, which resulted in severe punishment to the offenders as soon as detected, the Zapatista forces have maintained good order in Mexico City, according to advices from the Brazilian minister to the state department.

BRYAN PREACHES PEACE

Nations Built on Force Have Gone Down, Told Chicago Presbyterians. Chicago.—"Love, not dreadnoughts and siege guns, is to bring peace to warring nations" is the text of a sermon preached Sunday by Secretary Bryan to Presbyterians of Chicago, who filled a downtown theater. "Nations which have been built on force have died. Those which have trusted in armies and fleets have gone down. Why do not the nations learn that righteousness is mightier than dreadnoughts?" said Secretary Bryan. Mr. Bryan also denounced the liquor traffic. "It is insanity to try to cure the evils of society without stopping the sources of evil," he asserted. Secretary Bryan experienced an embarrassing moment during a reception following his talk when a young woman attempted to embrace him, claiming to be his cousin. Mr. Bryan eluded her embrace and the young woman was led away.

Oregon Ballot Measures in Conflict.

Salem, Or.—While there is no likelihood that the mistake will nullify either amendment, Sam Kozier, assistant secretary of state, discovered that the constitutional amendments providing prohibition and abolishing the death penalty both say in their text that they shall be section 36 of article 1 of the constitution.