

## Announcement

Having purchased the Belknap Confectionery we will combine it and the Art Shop in the Curtis building, one door south of Crook County Bank, on or before August 1st, where we hope to meet all old customers of both places. Watch for the opening when a program will be given. **Something free for every child.**

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## CRISIS IS BROUGHT BY GERMAN REPLY

Guarantee of Safety for Americans in Ships of Any Nationality Not Given.

Washington.—Study of the official text of Germany's reply to the American note on submarine warfare as it affects neutral rights strengthens the conviction of high officials that a critical point in the relations between the two countries has been reached.

Not only do they feel that the United States must refuse to accept the German proposals for the future conduct of American citizens on the high seas, but the failure of Germany to disavow the sinking of the Lusitania, with the loss of more than 100 Americans, in their view has brought on a crisis the outcome of which it is difficult at present to foresee clearly.

### Vital Question Ignored.

The United States had devoted its attention to the principle that Americans should be able to travel on the high seas on unarmed and unresisting belligerent merchant ships of any nationality, in accordance with previously recognized principles of international law. Assurances had been asked that before any destruction would be attempted the visit and search of peaceful vessels and transfer of passengers and crew to a place of safety would be accomplished. It was recognized that Germany in its latest note had ignored this vital question.

The only definite promise made by Germany to change the present status—the suggestion that four enemy ships could sail under the American flag if neutral passenger facilities proved inadequate—was considered certain of rejection, because, aside from other considerations of principle involved, the United States could not undertake to guarantee any interference with the lawful shipment of contraband from its shores to any of the belligerents.

### Salient Points in German Reply.

We have been obliged to adopt a submarine warfare to meet the declared intentions of our enemies and the method of warfare adopted by them in contravention of international law.

After the experiences in sinking much smaller and less seaworthy vessels, it was to be expected that a mighty ship like the Lusitania would remain above water long enough, even after the torpedoing, to permit passengers to enter the ship's boats. . . . In addition, it may be pointed out that if the Lusitania had been spared thousands of cases of munitions would have been sent to Germany's enemies, and thereby thousands of German mothers and children robbed of bread-winners.

In order to exclude any unforeseen dangers to American passenger steamers, German submarines will be instructed to permit the free and safe passage of such passenger steamers, when made recognizable by special markings and notified at reasonable time in advance. The imperial government, however, confidently hopes that the American government will assume to guarantee that these vessels have no contraband on board.

### Use of Neutral Vessels Suggested.

In order to furnish adequate facilities for travel across the Atlantic for American citizens the German government submits for consideration a proposal to increase the number of available steamers by installing in passenger service a reasonable number of neutral steamers under the American flag, the exact number to be agreed upon.

The imperial government believes it can assume that in this manner adequate facilities for travel across the Atlantic ocean can be afforded American citizens. There would, therefore, appear to be no compelling necessity for American citizens to travel to Europe in time of war on ships carrying an enemy flag. In particular, the imperial government is unable to admit that American citizens can protect an enemy ship through the mere fact of their presence on board.

If, however, it should not be possible for the American government to acquire an adequate number of neutral passenger steamers, the imperial government is prepared to interpose no objections to the placing under the American flag by the American government of four enemy passenger steamers for passenger traffic between North America and England.

### Oregon Bank Clerk Sentenced.

Corvallis, Or.—Chester A. Dickey, charged with the embezzlement of \$1490 of the Corvallis State Bank funds, who pleaded guilty in circuit court here, was sentenced by Judge Hamilton from one to 10 years in the state penitentiary.

Population of New York 5,245,812. New York.—The population of New York City, according to advance reports of the state census just completed, is 5,245,812. This is a gain of 500,000 in the five years since the previous census in 1910.

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

### Canning Demonstration Given.

Corvallis.—A special car for demonstrating canning by the steam pressure and cold pack methods are being operated over the lines of the Southern Pacific in Oregon beginning Monday, July 12. This is so far as known the first car of the kind to be operated in the United States. The purpose of the demonstration is to teach the system by some practical means that will enable those that are interested to do home canning both for home consumption and for commercial purposes. Demonstration from this car will be carried on at various points during a period of two weeks, according to arrangements that have been made by R. D. Hetzel, director of college extension, and H. M. Hinshaw, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific railway company. The car is in charge of Professor F. L. Griffin.

### Ask Big Park For Highway.

Portland.—A park system of 14,000 acres lying along the Columbia river highway will be set aside by the government if recommendations of the local forestry service and special committee of the Chamber of Commerce are acted on favorably by the department of agriculture.

The land which the committee proposes be set aside lies at points scattered along 23 miles of the highway in the Multnomah falls district. The roadway cuts through reserves at eight points in the course of that distance.

### Survey Work on Road Resumed.

Roseburg.—After idleness of several weeks, the surveying crew employed on Kendall Bros.' railroad, from Roseburg to the line of the Umpqua national forest reserve, has resumed operations here. The work of completing the survey as far as Reek creek will be rushed as fast as possible.

Construction will begin as soon as a decision of the supreme court is received with reference to the validity of the bonds voted by the people of this city to aid in the construction of the road. It is believed here that will be by August 10.

## BIG RESERVOIR IS LEAKING

Tumalo Project Water May Not Be Available Soon.

Bend.—Unless a supplemental flow of water can be obtained in the near future from Crater creek to continue the hydraulic work of stopping subterranean leaks discovered in the big reservoir of the Tumalo irrigation project it is extremely probable that the reservoir will not be available for use next year, or this year, according to engineers here who have made recent examinations of it.

The leaks were discovered at the outlet of the reservoir approximately four months ago, and since then as tests have been made they have continued to develop. Apprehension was felt at one time that the leaks might appear in sufficient numbers to make the project a failure, but engineers now believe they are localized and can be stopped. The leaks appear in the shape of what is termed a subterranean crack or fault about 20 feet below the surface. As tests have been only made at the outlet, it is impossible, say the engineers, to determine with any degree of certainty their extent.

### Steel Rate Advance Suspended.

Salem.—The state public service commission has issued an order suspending the advance in rates on bridge, wharf and structural steel on the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation company's line from Portland to Pendleton and other eastern Oregon points.

The railway recently published a new tariff, naming rates 5 per cent a 100 pounds higher than those that have been in effect for the past two years or more.

### Wasco County Wheat Hurt.

The Dalles.—The estimated record-breaking yield of wheat in Wasco county this year has been reduced recently as the result of hot weather, which has shriveled some of the grain in different localities. Spring wheat has been slightly damaged generally, and a little fall grain, which was sown late, has been hurt, so that the output of the ranches of this county will be considerably less than had been expected.

### Women Plead Guilty to Manslaughter.

Portland.—Mrs. Bessie Fowle, aged 53, and her daughter, Harriet Fowle, aged 17, pleaded guilty in the circuit court to charges of manslaughter in having killed the girl's infant boy on May 17 last. They had been indicted for murder in the second degree, but were allowed to plead guilty to the lesser charge. Sentence was deferred.

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