

HOUSTON POLICE ARE BLAMED AND FEDERAL INQUIRY IS ORDERED

HOUSTON, Tex., Aug. 24.—Blanket charges of murder were filed tonight by District Attorney John Crocker against 24 negro soldiers of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, held in the county jail as the result of the rioting last night which resulted in the death of 17 persons, four of them city police officers.

This was the first move indicative of an attempt by the state to retain custody of the soldiers rather than turn them over to the army for punishment.

An order for the removal of the negro soldiers of the Twenty-fourth Infantry from Houston to Columbus, N. M., issued by Major-General James Parker, commander of the Southern department, U. S. A., served materially to restore a spirit of quiet here tonight after a day of unrest.

Of the 125 negroes to leave their camp Thursday night with stolen ammunition for a raid upon the city, all but eight had been accounted for and scores of civilian and military patrols were searching for the remaining fugitives.

The rioting last night started about 9 o'clock. During the day the negro troops became angered against the city policemen of Houston because of the reported shooting of a negro sergeant by a police officer. Stealing company ammunition, about 125 of the negroes seized their rifles and left the camp, starting toward the city, and shooting indiscriminately.

Warning immediately was given and mounted police officers sought to halt the mob, surrendering their lives in vain efforts to drive the soldiers back.

Illinois guardsmen encamped at Camp Logan soon arrived on the scene, but only in time to throw a cordon between the negroes and crowds of Houstonians who armed themselves and quietly gathered to oppose the raiders.

The negroes then took to the open country in flight, some returning to camp, where they were placed under guard, and others hiding in buildings in the district.

Two squads of armed civilians, sworn in as deputy sheriffs, each squad with a captain in command, aided the military forces during the day in the search of the San Felipe district for stragglers from the rioting negro band.

A force of approximately 600 men from Fort Sam Houston, detailed from the 19th Infantry, arrived during the afternoon and a detachment of Coast Guard Artillery from Fort Crockett, Galveston, relieved the Illinois National Guardsmen, who had been on patrol duty throughout the night without rest. These, with the troops from San Antonio, assumed full control tonight.

Indignation over the outbreak was expressed particularly because of the savagery displayed by the negroes toward the white police officers whose bodies in nearly every instance had been hacked with bayonets.

Among Illinois Guardsmen much feeling was evinced because of the mutilation of Captain Joseph Mattes, one of the first to be slain by the rioters. Funeral arrangements for the victims of the riot were made during the afternoon. The four police officers who died fighting will be given a public funeral Sunday afternoon.

Captain M. S. Snow, commanding officer of the negro battalion, this afternoon had begun organization of a court-martial to inquire into the rioting and assess punishment against the men concerned. Less than 200 of the battalion participated in the outbreak, it is said, and of this number all but 30 are now in custody, either at the county jail, or in the Camp Logan guardhouse.

SWEDISH INDUSTRIES OBJECT TO GERMAN EXPORT TAX ON COAL

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 29.—Swedish industrial and business circles are stirred greatly over an export tax of 25 kroner a ton which Germany has put on all coal for shipment to Sweden. The tax is effective at once no matter when the order for coal was given. Germany also has imposed a tax on parcel post, payable after August 15.

COAST GUARD IS SEARCHING FOR LOST JAPANESE

SEWARD, Alaska, Aug. 24.—The United States coast guard cutter Unalga is cruising along the Alaska coast in search of 20 missing members of the crew of the Japanese steamship Kotahira Maru, which was wrecked in a fog on July 27. Fears are felt for the 20, who were all in one boat, were lost during a storm two days after the wreck. The first officer and 20 survivors of the vessel are now enroute to Seward on the steamer Santa Ana, according to word received here.

Marshallfield: The Homestead Iron Dyke Copper mining company, building a club house at Halfway.

Adjutant General of U. S. A.



General Henry P. McCain

General Henry P. McCain is adjutant general of the United States army with headquarters at Washington. With the increase of the army to more than a quarter of a million he is a much busier man than were those who held the same place in years past.

SERGEANT MAX MEYER DROWNS IN EDDY OF THE CLACKAMAS RIVER

First Sergeant Max W. Meyer, 24, of the Third Oregon Hospital Corps, and formerly a meat inspector in the Portland bureau of health, was drowned in the Clackamas river near the old Erickson tavern, Friday afternoon while attempting to swim the stream.

A shortage of water supply at Camp Withycombe recently resulted in official permission for squads of men to visit the Clackamas river for bathing. Strict orders were issued, however, against swimming, for the current is rapid and treacherous.

Lieutenant W. B. Jackson and Lieutenant Raymond D. Daniels, of Battery A, accompanied a company of soldiers to the river Friday afternoon. They found Sergeant Meyer and a score of comrades already bathing. Sergeant Meyer was swimming toward the opposite bank.

He was a strong swimmer and the bank was near, but the current carried him into a whirlpool and he suddenly sank.

Comrades volunteered to swim across and enter the perilous water that had claimed Sergeant Meyer, but were restrained by the officers because of the danger of futile sacrifice. Boats were procured and the river was dragged, the searchers working until almost midnight, but no traces of the body were found.

Sergeant Meyer's home was at Roseburg, where his father-in-law, R. E. Hunt, is a veterinarian.

The body of First Sergeant Max W. Meyer, who was drowned in the Clackamas river four miles above Oregon City, was recovered Saturday morning by a group of sergeants from the drowned man's regiment. The members of the searching party were Sergeants Kent Wilson, Powers and White.

Commands Negro Regiment



COL. WILLIAM HAYWARD

Colonel William Hayward, of New York City and Nebraska, is the commander of the negro regiment of New York militia, the Fifteenth, which is ready for war. Colonel Hayward believes his black troops will make as good a showing as any when they go to France and he believes every man is anxious to go.

Old Folks Saved From Suffering

Mrs. Mary A. Dean, Taunton, Mass., in her 87th year, says: "I thought I was beyond the reach of medicine, but Foley Kidney Pills have proven most beneficial in my case."
Mr. Sam A. Hoover, High Point, N. C., writes: "My kidney trouble was worse at night and I had to get up from five to seven times. Now I do not have to get up at night, and consider myself in a truly normal condition, which I attribute to Foley Kidney Pills, as I have taken nothing else."
Mrs. M. A. Bridges, Robinson, Mass., says: "I suffered from kidney ailments for two years. I commenced taking Foley Kidney Pills ten months ago, and though I am 61 years of age, I feel like a 16-year-old girl."
Foley Kidney Pills are tonic, strengthening and ur-building, and restore normal action to the kidneys and to a disordered and painful bladder. They act quickly and contain no dangerous or harmful drugs.

I. W. W. IS SAID TO BE LOSING POWER IN THE NORTHWEST

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Threatened labor disturbances in war industries on the Pacific coast and in the northwest have passed their climax, officials declare, and conditions in the affected districts are rapidly improving.

Reports to the department of labor and justice from field investigators indicate that disaffection exists among the ranks of the Industrial Workers of the World and that the organization may soon face internal strife. The swift and drastic action taken by the government to suppress the threatened general I. W. W. strike in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana August 21, officials said, had a discouraging effect upon the organization leaders and, so far as could be ascertained, no new labor disturbances are contemplated by the organization.

Hundreds of members of the I. W. W. it was said, have become dissatisfied and in certain localities many have already indicated their desire to leave the organization.

Challenges All Women in National Tour



Miss Aileen Allen, of the Los Angeles A. C., the National A. A. U. diving champion and Pacific A. A. U. title holder at 440 yard swimming, has undertaken a long competitive tour, during which she will try conclusions with her leading rivals of several districts.

It is her chief aim to bid for supreme high diving honors at Rye Beach, N. Y., on September 1, but on the way home she will also stop in a number of cities to take part in diving and swimming contests.

Miss Allen is accompanied on the trip by her trainer and coach, Vance Vieth, a former amateur swimming champion, now instructor at the Los Angeles A. C.

Adams Department Store to Observe Labor Day

The Adams Department store will be closed all day Monday, Sept. 3rd, on account of it being a legal holiday, Labor Day.

The mark closing out sale will start again on Tuesday morning and will continue on until all stocks are entirely closed out.

Will Advise 1,000 Women



Dr. Arstine P. Munn-Recht, newly appointed dean of women in the New York University, which now has more than 9,000 students, will have the management of the 1,000 women who attend that institution. One of her chief problems will be to find means of housing the girls who go from all parts of the United States to the university. She is a graduate of Bryn Mawr and John Hopkins.

MORE THAN 1000 TAKEN AS ITALIAN PRISONERS

ROME, Aug. 29.—The Italian troops, pushing forward on the Bainsizza plateau, have reached a powerful Austrian defensive line and are now attacking it, the war office asserts. On the heights beyond Gorizia the Italians made gains. More than 1000 prisoners were taken yesterday.

The announcement follows: "Fighting continued yesterday on the Bainsizza Plateau. After having overcome the enemy rearguard our troops encountered and are at present attacking a powerful line of resistance, which had been previously organized and which the enemy is defending with desperation. On the heights beyond Gorizia we made some gains. Altogether 247 airplanes participated in the battle. Squadron of 40 Caproni machines, which took part in the action east of Gorizia, dropped more than 7000 kilograms (7 1/2 tons) of projectiles on enemy batteries in the Panovizza wood."

German Scouts Repulsed

PARIS, Aug. 29.—Violent artillery fighting is in progress on the Verdun front, between Avocourt and Hill 304, and on the Aisne front, the war office announces. North of Courieres wood in the Verdun sector German reconnoitering forces were repulsed.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—

"During the night we carried out successful raids northeast of Gouzeaucourt and southwest of Hulleuch and captured a few prisoners," says today's official announcement. "Southeast of Lange-marek our troops cleared up a strong point, in which an enemy party was holding out immediately in front of our new line."

BERLIN, Aug. 29.—German counterattacks yesterday drove the British from the indentation they had made in the German positions northeast of Frezenberg on the Flanders front, army headquarters announced today.

Disorder Among Russians

PETROGRAD, Aug. 29.—A Russian division yesterday abandoned its position in the region of Fokshani, on the Roumanian front, and fled in disorder, the war office announces. The statement says the enemy continued to advance all day yesterday on the southern Roumanian front, reaching the line of Trechty-Deus-Varnitza-Fitioneshi-Chrylanitchi. In the night Russian position in the region of Varnitza were penetrated.

BERLIN, Aug. 29.—

In the Oltuz valley, of the Roumanian front, Teutonic forces stormed hill positions yesterday says today's army headquarters statement. More than 600 prisoners were taken.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's forces, the announcement also states, captured the village of Muncelul and pushed back the opposing forces in a northwesterly direction past several positions on both sides of the Suchitza valley.

Prisoners to the number of 1000 and three guns were taken.

TAXES ON O. AND C. LAND, LEVIED BEFORE 1916, ARE TO BE PAID

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Word has been given for the payment of all taxes, penalties and interest on the Oregon & California land grant up to date of the Chamberlain-Ferris act, June 9, 1916. It is expected that shortly payment will be made to land grant counties on this basis and opening of the lands will proceed. This leaves penalties and interest on taxes from the date named unpaid, but it is believed to clear up the situation so no further delay will occur.

BEAVERTON WOMAN KILLED BY EXPLOSION WHILE BUILDING FIRE

BEAVERTON, Or., Aug. 23.—Mrs. J. D. McNew, 63, was burned to death today when kerosene that she had used to start a fire in a kitchen stove exploded. The accident happened at the family home, two and a half miles west of Beaverton. She lived only a few minutes.
Mrs. McNew was a native of Kentucky and is survived by her husband and two sons.

THOUSANDS OF LITTLE CHILDREN IN THE FAR EAST REQUIRE RELIEF

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—More than 50,000 children under 12 years of age, all dependent on outside relief for necessities of life, are in Lebanon, and an additional 25,000 orphans are in Syria, not including Palestine, according to reports of missionaries from the near east who recently arrived here. It was asserted by the missionaries that it was extremely doubtful whether many of these children could survive the coming winter, if relief does not reach them in a more substantial form than heretofore.

In many instances, the missionaries said, little children scarcely old enough to feed themselves were found by relief workers living absolutely alone, begging for enough food to keep them alive and, failing in that, subsisting on grass. The majority of these were girls who had survived, due to greater powers of resistance or to having been fed by their brothers, who starved.

The Turkish authorities are doing all in their power for the children, and missions and hospitals have been opened in several places in charge of Turkish women.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following real estate transfers were filed in the office of County Recorder Boyles on Friday:

F. E. Mathies to Emily M. Mathies, 20 acres of section 26, township 4 south, range 1 east; \$10.

Charles W. and Alice Raley to Elizabeth Sablach, 40 acres of Concord; \$10.

William L. Martin et al to Bessie Mack, land in section 33, township 3 south, range 1 east; \$10.

Simeon and Hulda Covell to Flora H. Kilgore, land in Covell townsite; \$10.

Harvey E. and Orpha F. Cross to Ritte L. Hanson, land in Gladstone; \$10.

Andrew P. and Bertha Wilson to Frank Plympton and L. Plympton, south half of lot 11, Henneman's acres; \$10.

Ackerson-Gooch company to Jennie C. Lake, lot 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, block 1, also lots 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, block 2, Willo Park; \$10.

The following real estate transfers were filed in the office of County Recorder Boyles on Monday:

N. B. and Ruth Acker to Nels P. Hanson, land in section 18, township 5 south, range 1 east; \$250.

H. C. and Irene M. Hardman to O. O. Stetten, 12 acres of section 21, township 2 south, range 1 east; \$10.

Merchants' National Bank to W. F. and A. P. Prier, land in section 16, township 2 south, range 5 east; \$500.

Arthur P. and Josie Prier to W. F. Prier, land in section 16, township 2 south, range 5 east; \$1.

Jacob and Harriett Mowery to Chas. and Florence M. Stout, land in J. D. Garrett D. L. C. section 31, township 1 south, range 2 east; \$10.

J. W. and Eliza A. Roots to Amy L. Morand, land in Boring Junction; \$1.

United States of American to Roland Baker, land in section 18, township 7 south, range 3 east.

G. C. Wolfe to David and Emma Wolfe, land in Clackamas county; \$1.

The following real estate transfers were filed in the office of County Recorder Boyles Wednesday:

George P. and Mary M. Lent, to E. A. Lindgren, section 36, township 2 south, range 5 east; \$10.

E. A. Lindgren to Sycamore Real Estate company, section 36, township 2 south, range 5 east; \$10.

George John et al to Mark L. and Oliva A. Bussard, tract in Brotje's Acre Homes; \$150.

Ether H. and William F. Kuehl, to Mark L. and Oliva A. Bussard, tract in Brotje's Acre Homes; \$10.

John Gurnee et ux to Peter Vandermeer, 4.77 acres in Vandermeer Park; \$10.

Bertha Vandermeer to Peter Vandermeer, 4.77 acres in Vandermeer Park; \$10.

Fannie Vandermeer to Peter Vandermeer, 4.77 acres in Vandermeer Park; \$10.

Anno Vandermeer to Peter Vandermeer, 4.77 acres in Vandermeer Park; \$10.

Helen J. Vandermeer to Frank Robertson, 5.98 acres in Vandermeer Park; also 4.77 acres in Vandermeer Park; \$1.

Peter Vandermeer to Frank Robertson, 5.98 acres in Vandermeer Park; \$1.

George H. Gregory et ux to Otto Wilkowskl, tract in block 9 in Gregory First Addition to Molalla; \$10.

Annie E. Smith to D. E. Robinson, land in Roots addition to Marshfield, Clackamas county; \$1800.

Rose Whitcomb et al to Town of Milwaukie, land in Milwaukie; \$10.

Hubbard: Five miles of paving to be done on Pacific highway from this point.

Grants Pass: Pittsburg-Oregon Milling company, incorporated with \$2,000,000 stock.

North Bend: Two miles of macadam road to be constructed on South Slough road.

Electric storms started 350 fires on the National forests of California in July.

Mary and Charles Kaddery to W.

Back Among His Friends



ADMIRAL TAKESHITA

Vice-Admiral Takeshita, who was once naval attache at the Japanese embassy in Washington, is a member of the Japanese war commission, which is now in the United States. He was received in Washington by many old friends.

SEATTLE SHIPYARD EMPLOYES VOTE FOR STRIKE FOR RAISE

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 29.—Employees of Seattle shipyards from 10,000 to 12,000 strong, have voted in favor of a strike to enforce increase in wages, it was last night announced by the Metal Trades council after the vote of 15 affiliated unions had been canvassed.

Actual putting into effect of the men's decision will be held in abeyance pending action by the International unions with which the local unions are affiliated and by the Metal Trades section of the American Federation of Labor.

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FAMILY IS HELD TO FEDERAL GRAND JURY FOR EVADING DRAFT

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POSTMASTER GETS 13 MONTHS IN JAIL ON M'NEIL'S ISLAND

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 29.—George W. France, postmaster at Ten Mile, today pleaded guilty to violation of the espionage act and was sentenced to 13 months imprisonment at Mc Neil's Island penitentiary. He was caught attempting to dissuade young men from enlisting in the army and navy, when his duties as a postmaster called on him to act as a recruiting officer. France is the first man convicted under the espionage act in the west. The prosecution was handled personally by United States Attorney Reames.

THINKER NAVAJO HAS 24 HOUR CONFLICT NEAR IRISH COAST

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 24.—Members of the gun crew of the American tanker Navajo, who arrived here today on an American liner, announced that they had sunk the first of the new giant 400 foot German submarines sent out to destroy allied shipping. The fight, which lasted 24 hours, took place off the Irish coast, during which scores of shots were fired.

The conning tower of the submarine was shot away and she sank immediately. The Navajo suffered the loss of part of her stern and one lifeboat. Later she was destroyed by fire.

AN AMERICAN PORT, Aug. 24.—News of a running fight between an American liner, which escaped, and a U-boat in the Irish sea in which 85 shots were fired, reached here today with the arrival of a sister ship of the liner.

The fight occurred two weeks ago but there has been no official announcement made. The steamer was a day and a half out from her destination when a torpedo showed up 50 yards to starboard and passed a few yards in front of the ship.

A running fight began, in which the ship's gun crew fired 50 shots and the submarine fired 35 and discharged at least two torpedoes.

Entente destroyers came up and the submarine escaped. Owing to the fog it had been impossible for the liner's gun crew to hit the U-boat.

The destroyers brought word of other U-boats in the vicinity so the liner went in hiding for two days until the submarine had been driven off.

She kept up her zigzag course all that afternoon and night and a large part of the next day. Some of the destroyers stuck to the liner, acting as a convoy, while others cruised about looking for submarines. Toward the end of the second day all the destroyers had been put to chasing U-boats and two American destroyers appeared and accompanied the liner to port.

Passengers of the liner said they were alarmed all the way across the Atlantic by rumors from time to time of the presence of U-boats on this side of the ocean. They said the precautions taken near the American coast were nearly as great as when approaching the European coast.

On board the liner which brought news of the attack were survivors of two other American vessels which were attacked by submarines. One of them, Frank Davis, was the only survivor of the sunken Azlan, which was torpedoed and sunk off the British coast only July 17.

"After the Azlan was sunk I drifted about on a piece of wreckage," he said. "The submarine passed close to me on the surface, but the commander refused to allow his men pull me aboard or give me any assistance. I floated around in the water for several hours before being picked up by a British patrol boat."

Captain MacDougall, Chief Boat-swin Ham, Third Officer Edward Schaeffer and Clarence Edwards, wireless operator, and most of the crew of the American tanker Navajo, which burned at sea early in July, after battles with two submarines, were among the passengers.

Five members of the crew of the American schooner A. B. Sherman, which was torpedoed on July 26, were also brought home today.

They said the submarine commander ordered them into lifeboats, then boarded the Sherman and removed all the provisions he could carry. After 16 hours in the boats the crew was picked up by a British patrol vessel.

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 23.—

The steamer Navajo was well known in Portland, having operated between this port and San Francisco in connection with the American-Hawaiian service by way of Tehuantepec before the opening of the Panama canal.

CHEAPER SUGAR IS PROMISED BY H. C. HOOVER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—American householders are to have cheaper sugar—but they must not use so much of it. Herbert Hoover, returning from Chicago today after a conference with meat packers, said, beginning October 1, there will be a cut of 1 1/2 cents a pound below present prices. At the same time he warned that the allies are already on sugar rations, and it will be necessary for the American public to economize.

Under an agreement between the food administration and the United States beet sugar producers, their crop will be available at lower prices. Cuban sugar is commanding exorbitant prices and the chief portion of that crop will not arrive until December. With the cut in American beet sugar, it is said that the Cuban price also will be allied.

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