

OLD AUDITORIUM AT CHAUTAUQUA TO BE DESTROYED

Extensive ground improvements for the Gladstone Chautauqua park were planned at a session of the executive committee of the assembly Friday afternoon.

The old auditorium, which has seen 24 years of service, is to be torn down at once. It was at first thought that with the completion of the new auditorium last year, that the old structure could be used as a play shed but the storms of the past winter have rendered the old building unsafe.

A system of ground walks from the main gate to the new auditorium will be planned and laid out, either of crushed rock or gravel, the upper auto gate is to be moved northward about 60 yards, and a new entrance to the grounds will be constructed for the convenience of autos, the fence will be moved out along the road line providing an excellent parking site for machines. It is also planned to run additional water mains into the grounds.

The keynote of the coming assembly will be Americanism, according to Secretary Tom A. Burke who stated Friday afternoon that a fitting program will mark the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Gladstone assembly. The session will be held for 13 days beginning July ninth. Stock subscriptions made last year are coming in splendidly, according to the secretary, and with these funds on hand the work planned will be prosecuted rapidly.

President Wilson, in a letter, dated December 17, 1917, asked all Chautauquas in the country to continue their work this year, as never before, on the grounds that the assembly is one of the great morale-building institutions of the country.

Ontario lets part of contract for new \$100,000 water system.

THREE MILLION MEN ON FIGHTING FRONT IF SHIPS ARE READY

WASHINGTON, April 24.—America can put 3,000,000 men on the fighting front in France within a year if ships are ready, according to Adjutant General McCain before the house military affairs committee.

"I do not see any reason, if we could get the ships, why we could not send over 3,000,000 men after giving them sufficient training in this country," he said.

"If we have to have 5,000,000 men and get sufficient ships, could we have 5,000,000 men over there in two and one half years?" asked Representative Morin.

"I think we could do it before that, if we are willing to take a chance here and there—willing to go in without fear of making a mistake," replied General McCain.

He said his estimates were based on giving the men three months' training in this country and about the same in the "war atmosphere over there," as he called it.

Questioned as to his opinion of increasing the draft age to 40, the adjutant general said he saw "no objection to it."

Other testimony before the military committee revealed that America is to build 375 hospitals of 1000 beds each in France and the United States. The cost of each, according to General Black, chief of the engineers, will be about \$250,000. Based on French and British experience, this number will suffice for an army of 1,500,000 men.

COMMERCIAL CLUB AT ALBANY WOULD MAKE THEM LABOR

ALBANY, Or., April 24.—Albany Commercial club at its meeting Monday night decided that every able-bodied man in the city should work and the matter will be taken up by the city council at the next meeting.

Members of the club believe that all should work at this time regardless of the amount of money they possess. The Commercial club also decided on a cleanup day for the city and residents will be asked to assist the street cleaning department of the city in putting Albany in a clean condition.

BIG GERMAN WAR LOAN

AMSTERDAM, April 22.—Subscriptions to the eighth German war loan, says a message from Berlin, have reached a total of more than 14,550,000 marks, including amounts from former loans offered for conversion.

Further small subscriptions remain to be reported.

Oceans of Whiskey Booze worth \$6000 Owners Not Located

TACOMA, April 24.—County dry squad officers Monday seized 75 cases of whiskey in an abandoned barn near Ardena on the Indian reservation. The booze is estimated to be worth more than \$6000 at present prices. The seizure followed investigation of a wagon seen coming from the vacant barn. The owners have not been found.

W. H. TAFT WOULD RAISE ARMY TO FIGHT 3 YEARS

BOSTON, Mass., April 22.—"I am in favor of amending the draft law so that we can raise an army of five or six million men in two years," said ex-President William H. Taft in addresses at two liberty loan rallies here Saturday.

"This is to be a three-year war, two in which to send our boys across and a year to win the war.

"I can't fight in the trenches because they say I couldn't get in them. But I can do my share and will do it, too, over here. We can't make omelettes without eggs; neither can we fight a battle without men. We won't win until the nation is a house of mourning. We'll have to go into the Valley of the Shadow of Death, but the result will be worth the cost."

GERMAN ENVOY IS ON HIS WAY FROM THE HAGUE

AMSTERDAM, April 24.—The Helvoik announces that the German minister to The Netherlands has left The Hague for Berlin, and that the Dutch minister to Germany is on his way from Berlin to The Hague.

PERSHING PROTESTS WHEN SUGGESTIONS WERE DISREGARDED

WASHINGTON, April 24.—General Pershing has cabled the war department protesting against the nomination of a number of brigadier generals whose names were sent to the senate last week.

Pershing declares his recommendations were disregarded in the war department and that some of the brigadier generals nominated against his wishes were not as capable men as could have been selected.

OSWALD WEST SAYS HAS NO IDEA WHAT LEAGUE STANDS FOR

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., April 24.—Oswald West is the third to answer negatively the question of Editor Elbert Bede as to whether or not he was flirting with the Non-Partisan league. Mr. West is dreadfully surprised to learn that his name has ever been associated with that of the league, says he has no idea what the league stands for, has never been invited to join it and has never solicited its support or had its support offered him. He says he will endeavor to learn more of its activities that he may judge whether or not they are in the public interest.

Candidate West expresses the hope that the interest in the question of the Non-Partisan league will not overshadow the interest in his candidacy.

NON-PARTISAN CROWD ARE CLASSED AMONG AGITATORS OF I. W. W.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 24.—Hundreds of members of the Patriotic league from all parts of this county met last night and denounced the Non-Partisan league as disloyal, appointed a committee of 50 to "drive all organizers away forthwith, including Russellites and Industrial Workers of the World, particularly those now in jail, if they should by any misfortune be set free by the courts."

Delegates from farming sections reported that many farmers had joined the Non-Partisan league under a misapprehension and were wondering how they could get back their \$16 initiation fee.

FIGHTS HAND TO HAND ACCOUNTS FOR SEVEN HUNS

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Fighting hand to hand with a horde of Huns on the Picardy battlefield, Lieutenant John David accounted for seven of them with his pistol and then fought over their bodies with his empty rifle until finally he was struck down by a boche from behind.

The account of David's heroic death was contained in a recent letter from Lieutenant Daniel C. Roper, Jr., to his father, commissioner of internal revenue.

FIRE IN KLAMATH FALLS.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., April 22.—Shock resulting from a fire which at noon today practically destroyed the Mongol frame building on Fifth street, just above Main, caused the sudden death of Miss Lillian Stiles, senior member of Stiles Sisters, a dry-goods firm in this city.

Heart trouble is given as the cause of her death.

UNITED STATES HAS NEW FINANCIAL PLAN WITH BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, April 22.—A rearrangement of allied credits by which the United States will lend large amounts more directly to France, Italy and the other allies instead of through Great Britain, is under consideration by the treasury. This would tend to lessen Great Britain's obligations to the United States and decrease the demands of other allies on her.

The United States has now extended credits to the allies of \$5,285,000,000, including \$138,000,000 still to the credit of Russia and has paid out \$4,900,000,000. Great Britain has received \$2,720,000,000, France has received \$1,565,000,000 and Italy \$55,000,000.

The principal difficulty of arranging the loans direct to other governments than Great Britain lies in the accounting and in determining what share of purchases are ultimately intended for the various nations. The allied purchasing commission is making an analysis of allied purchases to assist the treasury in rearranging its credits. The practice of lending to allies through Great Britain was a result of Great Britain's world-wide purchasing system built up before the United States entered the war.

NEWSPAPERS GREAT AID IN NATIONAL FOOD PROGRAM

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—"The press of this country is rendering the best service to the nation that any government ever enjoyed," said G. H. Powell, chief of the division of perishables of the food administration, at a conference Monday with Commissioner Merritt and members of his staff. He said in part:

"One of the great problems of the food administration in its infancy was to find 100,000,000 persons understand the reasons behind the rules and regulations, the why's and wherefores and the economic and military necessities of food conservation, and the changes in policies regarding the restricted foods and days.

"The newspapers and wire services jumped in and carried to the four corners of the country the gospel of food conservation, lending freely their cooperation, without which the food administration's efforts would have been, insofar as conservation is concerned, a failure."

FAMOUS ROUND-UP STAR KILLED IN ACTION IN FRANCE MARCH 30

PENDLETON, Or., April 20.—Dell Blainett, famous all around cowboy and one of the best known frontier show performers of the West, was killed in action on the western front on March 30, according to a telegram received here this morning by the American National bank, from the director of records at Ottawa, Canada.

Blainett was with the Canadian mounted service and had been in France only a few weeks. Blainett, who since the earliest days of the Pendleton Round-Up has made this city his headquarters, was one of the organizers of the Pendleton company of cowboy cavalry, and was first to enlist. However, he was later rejected for physical disability and left immediately for Canada where he was accepted in the mounted service.

AUSTRIAN POPULACE MAKES DEMAND FOR SECRECY OF BALLOT

AMSTERDAM, April 22.—According to a telegram from Budapest, a half-hour demonstration strike took place there yesterday.

All the factories stopped, tramways ceased service and workmen signed petitions demanding the appointment of a cabinet which would carry out the demand of secret suffrage.

LATE TELEGRAPHIC

GENEVA, April 19.—When Edith Cavell was executed in Belgium by the Germans, a girl friend, Miss Julia Wynn, aged 20, of Geneva, was sentenced to 25 years penal servitude for the same offense. She is now in a Prussian prison.

A petition for a pardon, signed by 3000 women of Geneva, was sent to the crown princess of Germany nearly a year ago. A cold, almost brutal, reply, signed by Baron Von Stulpnagel, secretary to the crown princess, has just been received. It states briefly that the petition cannot be taken into consideration by the crown princess.

NEW YORK, April 19.—No essential relief for food conditions in Germany may be expected from Ukraine during the present economic year, said Privy Councillor Von Eyerna, of the state food commission, in discussing the food supply situation at a meeting in Berlin, according to the Cologne Gazette, of March 21, a copy of which has been received here.

Germany, he added, must continue to save and hoard food as heretofore.

MEN OF MONTANA WILL BE COMPELLED TO WORK 5 DAYS A WEEK

HELENA, Mont., April 22.—The State Council of Defense of Montana today made a rule requiring all men, mentally and physically able to labor, to do five days' work a week upon pain of prosecution under the broad powers given the council to protect the people of the state during the war and do everything necessary in its view to bring about the victory of the United States.

CHARLES REYNOLDS IS BURIED AT GRESHAM SATURDAY AFTERNOON

GRESHAM, Or., April 20.—Funeral services were held this afternoon at Gresham M. E. church for Charles Reynolds, whose death occurred on Columbia along last Wednesday. Rev. D. M. Cathey officiated, interment being made in Douglas cemetery. Mr. Reynolds was born in Ackworth, Iowa, September 3, 1850, and came to Oregon with his parents in 1862. His family located on 160 acres of land, where the deceased had lived ever since, one mile east of Gresham on the Powell Valley road.

CHINESE PARADE FOR LOAN RALLY THRU NEW YORK

NEW YORK, April 22.—Members of Chinese clubs and organizations in this city, headed by Chinese boy scouts, a Chinese fire and drum corps and a company of Chinese women carrying American and Chinese flags, paraded through Chinatown Saturday night and held a loan rally, at which many subscriptions were recorded.

American boy and girl scouts acted as an escort.

HARD QUAKE DAMAGES 2 CITIES IN CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, April 22.—All of Southern California and part of Western Arizona were shaken Sunday at 3:32 p. m. by an earthquake which wrecked practically all buildings and residences in Hemet and San Jacinto, two inland towns 45 miles southeast of Riverside, and caused minor property damage in practically every town and city.

August Carlson, who lived on San Julian street in this city, was found in his room at a late hour dead, without any external marks of injury.

Another man was killed in a panic at Santa Monica, when he fell off a pier. A woman was injured by falling from a second-story window at San Jacinto and a number of persons were injured there and elsewhere, none seriously.

Three men entombed in a magazine mine tunnel near Hemet probably were saved by fellow workers, who drove an air shaft to them.

The severity of the shock seemed greatest inland, but it was distinctly apparent at almost every point over California south from a line from Barstow to the coast and in some parts of Arizona, although no damage was reported there.

In Los Angeles and vicinity the damage was apparent mainly in broken windows. Hundreds of large plate-glass windows here were shattered. Several large buildings showed cracks or bulges, but the extent of such damage to buildings could not be definitely ascertained.

Homes all over Southern California were shaken, dishes rattled, furniture moved and in many places the shock was such as to cause the occupants to tumble out hastily. In Arizona the shock was reported to have extended as far east as Seligman in Arizona and Milford in Utah.

Two small buildings collapsed at Whitewater, west of Indio, on the Southern Pacific.

Hemet, about 25 miles east and south of Riverside, and San Jacinto, the next town north of Hemet on a branch line of the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, were reported to be practically destroyed.

At San Bernardino the shock was said by old residents to be the most severe in many years. Scores of plate glass windows were broken, a hundred feet of brick wall from one low building fell into the street and Riverside suffered a shock of similar intensity.

Cracks developed in several other walls.

SALEM GRANGE DEAD AGAINST NON-PARTISANS

SALEM, Or., April 22.—Because of reports circulated to the effect that the Grange has taken a favorable attitude toward the Non-Partisan league, the Salem Grange, at a meeting Saturday, passed a resolution disapproving combination with any league or political party. The resolution follows:

"Resolved, That this Grange go on record as not favoring any combination with any political party or league whatsoever, and that we instruct our representatives to bring the resolution to the attention of the state Grange at its next meeting."

LENROOT TAKES OFFICE

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Irving L. Lenroot, of Wisconsin, Republican, today was sworn in as a member of the senate as successor of the late Senator Hastings, Democrat.

FREIGHT CONDUCTOR COMPELLED TO KISS FLAG THREE TIMES

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., April 22.—"I haven't bought any Liberty bonds and haven't any intention of buying any, as the war is nothing to me," W. Faust, a Santa Fe freight conductor, is alleged to have said today when asked to buy a bond.

Faust was seized by a committee of railway men who were at first determined to tar and feather him, but after giving him one swipe with the tar brush, it was decided not to humiliate him further in this way if he would proclaim his loyalty.

The crowd first compelled Faust to kiss every star in the flag at the round house. He was then brought to the depot, where he was compelled to mount a baggage truck and address the passengers on Santa Fe train No. 2. He was also required to kiss the flag again. After this he was marched through the main street of the city with a large American flag wrapped around him. Arriving at the Chamber of Commerce building, Faust was made to kiss the flag a third time and sign up for a \$50 Liberty bond. He then was marched back through town followed by a howling and jeering mob and was released without receiving bodily injury.

IRELAND'S RAILWAYS ARE TAKEN OVER BY BRITISH GOVERNMENT

LONDON, April 22.—All of the principal railways in Ireland have been taken over by the British military authorities, said a Cork dispatch printed in the Chronicle today.

The dispatch added that the post-office and telephone lines also have been taken over and that all the guns and ammunition have been removed from Dublin gun shops. It is supposed that similar action will be taken in other Irish cities.

The action of the British military authorities in Ireland is evidently a precautionary measure before the enforcement of conscription. Strong hostile feeling against the Irish draft has developed in numerous localities.

STREAM OF WOUNDED GERMANS POUR INTO BELGIAN BUILDINGS

AMSTERDAM, April 22.—Stream of wounded Germans from France and Flanders, says the frontier correspondent of the Telegraaf, continue so great that all the hospitals, monasteries, convents and schools, not only in Brussels, but in many towns, are filled to overflowing. The Germans have even requisitioned private houses for hospitals.

Forty ambulance trains entered Brussels daily last week. Many of them were made up of cattle cars, in which were litters of straw for the wounded men.

SEAMEN FROM DUTCH WAIT DEPORTATION AT SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—Immigration officials today quartered at Angel Island station 160 Chinese and Japanese seamen, taken from Dutch ships seized in New York by the government.

The men are waiting deportation to the Orient at government expense, and while held are being paid their regular wages as seamen by the government.

PLOT IS HATCHED TO BRING HOLLAND INTO WORLD'S WAR

LONDON, April 22.—According to the Daily Telegraph's Rotterdam correspondent, a plot is being hatched in Berlin deliberately designed to compel Holland to participate in the war.

The writer intimates that the German's first move has been made in the attempt to find a pretext for complaint that Holland departed from neutrality by acquiescing to the entente's demand for her mercantile fleet.

CALLED KAISER GREAT MAN NOW FACES DIVORCE

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., April 22.—Robert H. Hilscher, a Civil War veteran, 71, has applied to the superior court for a divorce. He charges that his wife made unpatriotic remarks about the government and called the kaiser "the greatest man in the world."

The Hilschers have three sons in the American army and a daughter is in France as a Red Cross nurse. Hilscher alleged his wife is of German birth and came here when she was 17.

WEAR UNIFORM OR STAY IN BED TOLD ROOKIES

CAMP LEWIS, American Lake, Wash., April 20.—"Wear a uniform or stay in bed," is the ultimatum handed the 50 conscientious objectors attached to the base hospital of the Wild West division yesterday. And all of the 50 non-registers chose to clothe themselves in the olive drab garments.

Orders were issued to the objectors yesterday requiring that everyone appear in full uniform before 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and the few who thus far had objected to donning the regulation clothing hurried to obtain the necessary garments and make the transfer from their civilian clothing to which they clung since coming to camp. None of the men refused to exchange their clothing when the order was taken to them officially.

NO MEN TO BE TAKEN FROM HIGH CLASSES IS EXPECTATIONS

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Under the classification of men for selective draft service Provost Marshal General Crowder has advised the senate military committee approximately 2,000,000 will be placed in Class 1— from which it is expected all future calls will be taken. These 2,000,000 according to General Crowder, are exclusive of between 500,000 and 1,000,000 more annually, who, it is estimated, will be made subject to military duty under the bill now in congress subjecting to registration youths reaching their majority.

From the 2,000,000 men in Class 1— nearly 20 per cent of the total registration of the country—and the additional number secured by new legislation, General Crowder has advised senators that it will be improbable that calls will go outside of the highest class. Of youths reaching 21 years of age under the new legislation it is believed that at least 90 per cent will be placed in Class 1.

HUNS WAGERED WOULD END WAR IN FORTNIGHT

LONDON, April 20.—Before the present German offensive began, German officers in neutral countries were prepared to wager that the forces of the allies within a fortnight, Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, declared in a speech last night at Hitchin.

"A month has passed and the Germans have not succeeded," Lord Robert continued, "but we would be wickidly foolish if we believed the battle had ended. We have an indefinite period of terrible and strenuous struggle before us. We must not underestimate our enemy, who has had the great advantages of 50 years of preparation for war, favorable geographical position and united command."

Yakima to have storage and ice plant.

LITTLE DAMAGE IS DONE BY LONG RANGE GUN NOW

PARIS, April 20.—Yesterday's long range bombardment, which consisted of three shots at wide intervals, resulted in no casualties and did little damage. One shell went through the roof of a house, penetrated a workshop on the sixth floor and passed through the back wall, crossed the courtyard and into a building in the rear, finally bursting on the staircase. A number of people were employed there, but all had left the building a few minutes before the shell fell.

Marshfield—Small amounts of River spruce are now being shipped from Coos county.

LABOR CHIEF SAYS RADICAL PARTY BRANCH OF HUN ORDER

CLEVELAND, O., April 22.—Socialism in America was branded as poisonous German propaganda by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, in a speech in behalf of the Liberty loan at the City Club this afternoon.

While the labor chief was exhorting socialism and calling on labor and capital in Cleveland to join hands in speeding up the city's subscription race, Douglas Fairbanks, moving picture actor, was making a loan appeal before a crowd that jammed the largest theatre in town.

"There is no such thing as an American Socialist party," Mr. Gompers said. "The American Socialist organization is merely a branch of the one in Germany—it is a part of German propaganda."

Mr. Gompers declared he had been changed from "the most active pacifist in America to a good fighter," and he said that labor will not meet in a peace movement until the war is over and labor parties of all countries can be represented.

RURAL CREDIT LAW IS DEAD IN OREGON SAYS TREASURER KAY

SALEM, Or., April 22.—The Oregon rural credits law is virtually a dead letter, according to State Treasurer T. B. McKay, because of the more popular national rural credits act. Further, the drop in the bond market due to the war has put a complete damper on any operation of the state law for the present.

Another more easily available source of money for the farmers, although the interest charge of 6 per cent is 1 per cent higher than called for in the rural credits law, is the state school fund in which there is plenty of money to meet the demand for farm loans.

The reason given for the greater popularity of the federal rural credits enactment is that the government's appraisal of land is invariably higher than that of the state. Of the approximately \$450,000 that has been raised by the state through bond issues under the state law, the greater part of the bonds were taken over by the state treasury to avoid a sale below par.

GOVERNOR CALLS ON ABLE-BODIED IDLERS TO ASSIST COUNTRY

SALEM, Or., April 22.—Governor Withcombe yesterday issued another call upon all able-bodied men in the state to engage in some occupation that will be of benefit to the country in carrying out the war program. The repeated call is made because of the shortage of labor in numerous pursuits and the pressing need of maximum production.

"This is no time for idlers," said the governor, "and no man, who is able physically to employ his particular talents, has a good excuse to offer if he is now found idle. Certainly every man in the state can find something to do that will add to productivity or help in some incidental relation to win the war."

Brownsville—Seven sawmills operating near here.



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