BRITISH ESTIMATE LOSS OF GERMANS

Net Reduction in Number of Fighting Men 1,500,000, One-third Killed.

FIGHTING ARMY 3,200,000

Fact No More Are in Active Service Is Attributed to Inability to Supply Greater Number With Fighting Equipment.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—A statement from a British authoritative source on Germany's strength in men and her losses was made public today. The statement asserts that about July 31 the Germans had 1,500,000 men on the western battle front and 1,400,000 on the eastern front, a total of 2,900,000 men on the actual fighting line, while there also were 1,125,000 Austrians opposed to the Russians. There were besides, a large number of German troops of various classes in garrisons, fortifications and on lines of communication, in addition to the convalescents, invalids and others.

"It is impossible to say," the statement declares, "how far the reserve troops have been armed and equipped, but the fact that the total number of men on the two fronts is only 3,200,000 appears to show that this is about the largest number the Germans are able to put fully equipped into the fighting line.

Quality of Line Maintained.

"The Germans from a date shortly after the outbreak of the war supplied the losses in their first line and reserve troops from the second, and even the third line, so that it is safe to regard all the German troops in the fighting line as much of the same quality as in the first few months of the war.

"It is calculated that the first line troops lost about 50 per cent in casualties and the reserves about 25 per cent, their places being taken by recruits from the 1914 class and from other categories and re-formed units, including the 1914 class of recruits.

"Since then they have again lost about 50 per cent in casualties, so probably there remains only about 25 per cent of the original first-line troops, to which must be added the men slightly wounded who have returned to the fighting line.

Year's Net Loss 1,500,000.

"The German casualties in killed, wounded and missing reported to June 30 totaled 1,872,444 men, of whom 306,-123 were killed, 15,408 died of disease and 546,723 either are missing or prisoners, or so seriously wounded as to put them out of action for the remainder of the war. Since June 30 there has been heavy fighting, probably bringing the total loss up to 2,000,-000 men for the year.

"Assuming that half a million were only slightly wounded and recovered, the effective loss is assumed to amount to 1,000,000, in addition to which probably half a million men are wounded who are absent from the front on leave in the hospitals. This makes the total net loss for the year 1,500,000, of whom 400,000 to 450,000 men were killed.

Limit to Equipment Suggested.

"The Germans, it is calculated, at the beginning of the war had 8,000,000 men available for military service, and that number might be increased by a million or a million and a half if every man of military age gave his service. The only reasonable suggestion, therefore, for the fact that the Germans have only 3,200,000 men in the fighting line is that they are unable to supply more than that number with equipment.

"From the total of from 8,000,000 to 9,000,000 men must be deducted the 1,500 net loss for the year and the same number of men required for making arms and ammunition."

CZAR BANKRUPT, SAYS BERLIN

Further Foreign Loan Declared to Be Out of Question.

BERLIN, Aug. 24.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—The Vossische Zeitung decrales that at a recent secret meeting of the finance committee of the Russian Imperial Council, Count Ke Koezen drew an awkward picture o financial conditions. The Vossische Zeitung says that the last popular loan realized only $200,000,000, instead of $500,000,000. According to this account, Finance Minister Bark replied that a foreign loan was out of the question under present circumstances, as France and England would be unable to carry a Russian loan, being themselves in dire financial stress.

Imperial Councillor, Professor Osaro, declared that Russia faced an immediate financial catastrophe. Nothing was to be expected from her allies, he said, and the only salvation lay in America. He advocated that the government announce that it would give 150 rubles in paper for 100 in gold; that it confiscate without exception all gold, jewelry and valuables in private hands; that it lower import duties upon war materials and that a loan be obtained from America in payment for material purchased.

CHANCELLOR IS HONORED

BETHMANN-HOLLWEG RECEIVES OVATION FROM CROWD.

Thousands of Germans Gather Before Imperial Minister's House to Approve Vote on War Loan.

BERLIN, Aug. 24, via wireless to Tuckerton, N. J.—"That the German people heartily approve of the patriotic action of the Reichstag in passing the war loan demanded by the government was indicated by many signs last night at a patriotic demonstration before the official residence of Dr. Teobald von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial German Chancellor," says the Overseas News Agency.

"Long before the hour set for the demonstration thousands of persons of all classes gathered in front of the historic building.

"The Chancellor was completely surprised. When informed of the intention of a member of the crowd to address him, he ordered the big gates wrung open and entered the balcony, where he listened to the address. The speaker, in his brief remarks, dwelt on the great speech of the Chancellor in the Reichstag of the loan vote, and of the wonderful victories of the German army.

"The crowd first sang 'Deutschland über Alles,' and then an old Lutheran hymn, 'A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,' the Chancellor and his entourage joining in heartily. After the last verse of the Lutheran hymn, Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg stepped forward and addressed the gathering in a clear, ringing voice, saying:

"'What you sang is an echo of the battle thunders; our people's jubilation over the historic deeds of our armies which resulted in Russian strongholds being smashed like earthen vessels. With burning hearts we thank God, who has helped us so far.'"

GIRLS BOUGHT FOR $50

Police Lay Trap for Men and Hold Three Over for Trial.

NEW YORK, Aug. 20.—The ease with which young and pretty girls can be bought for a paltry $50 and confined in questionable houses against their will was shown recently when Lieutenant Enright, of Deputy Commissioner Lord's staff, bargained for and "bought" three girls.

He only paid $10 down on each—the balance was to be paid if the girls "proved satisfactory." The three girls are now in custody, as are three young men from Newark, with whom Lieutenant Enright says he made the deal.

Enright got in touch with the three men at a Twenty-third-street moving picture house. He represented he wished to "buy" three girls and the men offered to get them. Later they brought Bella Stephenson, No. 57 Boston street; Lillian Hillman, No. 57 Boston street, and Katherine Farrell, No. 447 South Sixteenth street, all of Newark, and all 19 years old, to New York.

The prisoners are Michael and William Perns, No. 214 Waverly place, and Anthony Carninila, No. 249 Belmont avenue, Newark. They are charged with "white slavery." The girls were taken to the Florence Crittenton Home. The Stephenson girl says she married Michael Perns four months ago and since has been earning money for him.

"We only brought the girls to New York to get positions as maids," the prisoners asserted as they pleaded not guilty.

PUPIL AVIATOR IS KILLED

Youth Drops 400 Feet to Lake When Machine Veers.

GENESEO, N. Y., Aug. 20.—Plunging 400 feet to Conesus Lake when his aeroplane veered suddenly, Lawrence J. Lyon, an aviation pupil in the Hermann School at McPherson's Point, lost his life recently.

Starting at McPherson's Point, Mr. Lyon flew down the lake, ascending to a high altitude and then making dips. When about four miles down the lake he started to turn back. As he was turning the machine veered and plunged directly into the lake. Motorboats were soon despatched to the scene of the accident, but Mr. Lyon's body could not be found. The water is about 40 feet deep where the aeroplane struck.

The engine of the aeroplane, a large Curtiss model, was running in good order when the accident occurred, according to persons in the vicinity. It is thought that Mr. Lyon either made too abrupt a turn or that he had heart failure and lost control of the machine.

It is said by some of those who saw the accident that when the aeroplane was about 15 feet from the water Mr. Lyon fell from the seat, clear of the machine.

Mr. Lyon was 22 years old. He entered the aviation school only a few days before.

BUILDER IN OWN JAIL

Contractor Imprisoned in Place He Erected for Others.

JAMAICA, L. I., Aug. 20.—Chester Barnhart, of Port Jefferson, who has directed the building of some of the soundest structures on Long Island, is tenting in the Suffolk County Jail and wishing that he had not built so conscientiously. Barnhart was a foreman for Campbell & Dempsey, the contractors, who engaged to make the Suffolk County Jail what it is today. A few days ago Barnhart met some old friends, found a cool place to talk it over and ended a pleasant evening by getting illuminated just as brilliantly as the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Since then he has been under the care of a keeper.

Later, friends called at the jail and asked if he felt that it had been built substantially. Barnhart allowed that its shape was not a thing of beauty, but said its walls were too sound proof and durable to fit his ideas of what a nice little jail should be.

TITANIC DEATH LIST LESS

Ex-Merchant, Believed in Disaster, Found in Ireland.

GRASS VALLEY, Cal., Aug. 20.—Maurice O'Connell, retired local merchant, who has been mourned as dead for years, is very much alive back in Ireland. O'Connell was scheduled to sail on the Titanic on a visit to his native land.

The list of those who went down with the liner contained the name of M. O'Connell. The name, however, was that of another man. O'Connell has never corresponded with friends here. He allowed his lodge membership to lapse and letters sent to him were returned unclaimed. Finally he was given up as dead. John Sullivan, a close friend of O'Connell, was recently called to Ireland and while there he met the former Grass Valley merchant and sent word to friends here.

WOMAN WINS OWN CASE

Contractor Loses When Testimony Shows Locks on Wrong Side.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 20.—Mrs. Emma Coolridge, the comely young wife of Dr. S. O. Coolridge, demonstrated that she knows the law. Also she forcibly emphasized the fact that she wants the locks on her doors on the proper side. R. H. Walker, a contractor, alleged that Mrs. Coolridge owed him $24.75 and had engaged him to superintend the building of a house. Before Justice Brown appeared Walker with his lawyer, Vincent E. Browser.

Mrs. Coolridge was there with her husband and announced that she intended to act as her own lawyer. She won the case. She secured her verdict on the proof that Walker had not properly superintended the job, having, she declared, even put locks on the wrong side of the door.

CHICK STOLEN BY FROG

Minister Witnesses Odd Sight and Saves Tiny Fowl.

COTTONWOOD FALLS, Kan., Aug. 20.—A strange sight was witnessed on the farm of Mayor Albert Rogler by the Rev. T. M. Strange, a Methodist minister. In the barnyard the minister saw a large frog emerge from the grass and leap upon a chick only a few days old.

The frog tried to swallow the chicken, which set up a loud peeping. The mother hen swooped down and began pecking at the frog, which hopped off into the grass with the chicken in its mouth. The old hen followed, pecking as hard as she could. Finally, when the minister started toward the frog, it let go the chick and hopped away.

It pains a person to hear an actress gush about her Profession.

GOVERNORS SPEAK FOR MORE POWER

Mr. Alexander, of Idaho, Also Advocates Simplification of Administration.

FEWER BOARDS FAVORED

Aid for Particular Interests Rather Than Service for General Welfare Is Declared to Be Practice Often in States.

BOSTON, Aug. 24.—Extension of the powers of the chief executives of the states of the Union was advocated today by the speaker at the opening session of the conference of more than 30 Governors and ex-Governors, before whom Governor Alexander, of Idaho, spoke also for simplification of state governmental machinery through the short ballot and elimination of useless boards and commissions.

"With a long ballot the responsibility is shifted from the heads of institutions and government to the minor officials who are merely cogs," said Governor Alexander.

"It is essential that the executive department of the state should be clothed with power and responsibility and held directly amenable to the people. A check can be had upon the executive through the recall.

Service of Boards Questioned.

"Boards and commissions are often aiding some particular interest and not to serve the general welfare. They give some special organization opportunity to participate in the administration of public affairs.

"The placing of a large appointive authority in the hands of a responsible official increases rather than decreases the power of the electorate to express its will.

"I believe in the right of the people to express their will and I believe that that will, having been expressed, should be carried into effect. I therefore believe in enlarged powers for those officials whose positions demand and receive public attention and a lessened power for those officials whose positions do not receive due attention from the voters."

People's Initiative Reversed Most.

William Hodges Mann, ex-Governor of Virginia, declared that while there was no complete remedy for general legislative ills, conditions could be greatly improved if the initiative were given a Governor to submit to the people at a general election any measure previously recommended, but which the Legislature had failed to pass.

In discussing the people's initiative, Mr. Mann said court decisions and general experience had shown that legislative enactments are less liable to be wrong than those passed by the people with the initiative.

The welcome of the state and city was extended to the Governors and ex-Governors by Governor Walsh and Mayor Curley in the Senate chamber at the State House today.

Governor Walsh said that it was becoming generally understood of late that the business efficiency indispensable for good government could be obtained only by concentrating power and responsibility.

The first formal address of the session was made by ex-Governor Elias M. Ammons, of Colorado, on "Development of the West."

SERBIA'S REPLY AWAITED

Government Thought to Have Overcome Objections.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—A Reuter dispatch from Nish says:

"It is not expected the Serbian reply to the proposals of the entente allies will be delivered for two or three days. The government has encountered considerable opposition, but it is understood will be able to overcome the objections offered and agree, with certain reservations, to the requests of the entente powers.

"A final decision will be reached tomorrow at an extraordinary council of Ministers, at which King Peter will preside."

HOPPICKING UNDER WAY

Hot Weather Results in Better Quality; Harvest Is Early.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—The advance guard of the hop-picking army has arrived in this section, and picking has begun on the early hops.

Several yards will begin Friday. The owners find they must begin early to save their crops. Others will begin next week. The hot weather of the past week has brought up the average, and much better quality is likely than was expected a few weeks ago.

Nearly all the yards will pay 40 cents, and while this is not entirely satisfactory to the pickers, they will no doubt make it up in being able to fill faster. Nearly all growers are amply supplied with pickers.

EUGENE TO HAVE MARKET

Council Places Management in Hands of Grange.

EUGENE, Or., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—Eugene's first municipal market was authorized last night by the city Council. Construction of the sheds is under way and these will be completed by the end of the week.

The market is the outcome of a result of an agitation on the part of the granges and other producing classes, and the city Council placed the control of the market with the Pamona Grange. This body will name a market master and a committee for handling the business. The sheds have been built on the street, adjoining the City Hall and opposite the public square in the center of the city.

SCORE CARDS FOR GROCERS

Cards Denote Degrees of Cleanliness at Selected Stores.

Indianapolis News.

Michigan advances in the effort to obtain sanitary groceries. The old way was for the board of health to summon owners of insanitary grocery stores and give them lectures, and for a second offense to fine them. Now the health board has adopted scoring cards to denote various degrees of cleanliness in the stores. It is somewhat difficult to devise standards as a grocer with fine fixtures and an ill-kept store might have a higher score than one with poor fixtures and a well-kept store. Nevertheless a working average has been attained. A white card ranks the highest, a blue card second. J. W. Helme, the state dairy and food inspector, originated the idea, and it works thus: One grocer will get a blue card. His nearest competitor may have a white card. "Why cannot I have a white card?" he asks. Then it is pointed out to him that he has a wooden floor, where the other man has a tile floor, and that his fixtures are not up to date. There is also a question as to the way in which the store is kept even with the best fixtures. Thus rivalry, based on the instinct of self-preservation, is started, and grocers from all over the state are demanding these score cards. None is given to an ordinary grocery. There must be visible effort in sanitary surroundings, good fixtures, etc., before a card is granted.

OLD FRENCH COMMUNISTS

Six Members Survive of Government of Forty-four Years Ago.

Indianapolis News.

A recent Paris newspaper gives an interesting account of the six surviving members of the government of the commune of over 40 years ago. One of these is old Father Vailliant, another "the famous Pindy," a third Protot, a fourth Loncias, a fifth Maralliet and the sixth Charles Gerardin. Pindy, who bore the title of governor of the Hotel de Ville (the city hall of Paris), set fire to that edifice and was condemned to death. He took refuge in Switzerland where he now is. He writes letter after letter to friends in France expressing his ardent hope of soon hearing of the success of the tri-colored banner. A communist no longer, he never speaks of the red flag. Protot was long an exile in Germany. Recently he has written a number of brochures denouncing the German Socialists as agents of imperialism and long ago predicted what has since, says the Paris paper, come to be realized. These men, now old, are communists or Socialists no longer. Age has cured them. "The most furious of these against the Germans," says the journal, "is Girardin, whose little house at Belot has been sacked by the invaders. This old communist, having become a property owner, might not have asked better than to put his little possessions 'in commune'—but not with the Germans."

QUEEN CONTEST IS CLOSE

Miss Gladys Voorhees Leads in Vancouver Carnival Race.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—Miss Gladys Voorhees, the United Artisan candidate for Queen of the Dahlia Carnival is in first place in the contest, according to an announcement made after the second day's voting. Miss Nita Clark, who held first position, secured enough votes to hold second place as the representative of the Oddfellows and Rebekahs. Miss Vera Overly, the Elks' candidate, is in third place and Miss Ruth McCown, the Eastern Star candidate, is fourth.

The totals for the four candidates are: Miss Voorhees, 861; Miss Clark, 812; Miss Overly, 767; Miss McCown, 626.

GERMANY REGRETS LOSS

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may have fallen victim to 'one of those bad English mines.'"

Admitting it may, nevertheless, have been a German undersea boat which destroyed the Arabic, the Nachrichten contends:

"The boat acted rightly. If American passengers on board sank with the steamer and some of them were drowned, then that serves again as a warning that on one should lightheartedly enter the war zone or go within range of weapons."

Vancouver Woman Is Dead.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—Mrs. L. E. Woolf died this morning at the family home, Forty-second and Main streets, following a ten months' illness. She was born in Canada December 7, 1885. Three years later she removed with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Millar, to this city, where she had since resided.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Aug. 24.—Maximum temperature, 79 degrees; minimum temperature, 61 degrees. River reading, 8 A. M., 6.3 feet. Change in last 24 hours, none. Total rainfall (5 P. M. to 5 P. M.), none. Total rainfall since September 1, 1914, 31.56 inches. Normal rainfall since September 1, 44.92 inches. Deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1914, 13.36 inches. Total sunshine, 7 hours 30 minutes. Possible sunshine, 13 hours 42 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea-level) at 5 P. M., 29.79 inches.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Maximum temp.	Precipitation past 24 hours	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of Weather
Baker	88	0.00	10	N	Clear
Boise	90	0.00	12	W	Cloudy
Boston	84	0.00	4	SW	Clear
Calgary	76	0.00	10	E	Pt. cloudy
Chicago	72	0.48	12	NW	Cloudy
Colfax	104	0.00	12	W	Clear
Denver	70	0.16	4	NE	Cloudy
Des Moines	68	0.00	4	N	Clear
Duluth	56	0.00	8	W	Cloudy
Eureka	64	0.00	8	N	Cloudy
Galveston	86	0.40	10	SE	Cloudy
Helena	86	0.00	10	NE	Clear
Jacksonville	94	0.00	6	SE	Clear
Kansas City	74	0.00	8	N	Pt. cloudy
Los Angeles	78	0.00	10	SW	Clear
Marshfield	66	0.00	4	NW	Cloudy
Medford	88	0.00	8	NW	Pt. cloudy
Minneapolis	54	0.00	8	NW	Cloudy
Montreal	82	0.00	12	SW	Cloudy
New Orleans	92	0.00	4	W	Pt. cloudy
New York	82	0.00	36	SW	Cloudy
North Head	62	0.00	6	NW	Cloudy
North Yakima	92	0.00	4	W	Clear
Pendleton	102	0.00	8	W	Clear
Phoenix	102	0.00	4	E	Pt. cloudy
Pocatello	84	0.14	4	SE	Cloudy
Portland	79	0.00	.....	....	Clear
Roseburg	82	0.00	8	N	Clear
Sacramento	80	0.00	10	S	Clear
St. Louis	78	0.00	10	NW	Pt. cloudy
Salt Lake	88	0.00	6	SE	Pt. cloudy
San Francisco	68	0.00	12	W	Clear
Seattle	70	0.00	6	N	Clear
Spokane	82	0.00	6	E	Pt. cloudy
Tacoma	80	0.00	6	NW	Clear
Tatoosh Island	58	0.01	14	S	Cloudy
Walla Walla	98	0.00	4	NW	Pt. cloudy
Washington	90	0.02	6	NW	Cloudy
Winnipeg	74	0.00	6	S	Pt. cloudy
Yellowstone Park	72	0.02	4	NW	Pt. cloudy

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The barometer continues relatively low over the Pacific slope and a new high pressure area has made its appearance over the Canadian Northwest. Another high pressure area is central over Nebraska. Showers and thunder storms have occurred at scattered places in the Rocky Mountain States, the lower Mississippi Valley and the Lakes regions. It is cooler in the Willamette Valley and also in the Upper Mississippi Valley and Upper Lakes Region. The temperatures have risen in the interior of California and in Southeastern Idaho.

Conditions are favorable for fair weather in this district, except in Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, where cloudiness will increase and probably be followed by showers. It will be cooler Wednesday east of the Cascade Mountains, except in Southeastern Idaho, where the temperature will remain nearly stationary.

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Fair; westerly winds.

Oregon—Fair; cooler east portion; westerly winds.

Washington — Fair west, showers and cooler east portion; winds mostly westerly.

Idaho—Unsettled; probably showers north portion; cooler north and southwest portion.

EDWARD A. BEALS, Forecaster.

Columbia River Bar Report.

NORTH HEAD, Aug. 24.—Condition of the bar at 5 P. M.—Sea, smooth; barometer, 29.92; wind, northwest, 6 miles.

MAN DIES AFTER BLOW FROM FIST

Death Follows Quarrel at Picnic Held by Party Near White Salmon.

CORONER HOLDS INQUEST

Kenneth Kenyon, Son of Denver Educator, Is Victim, and Odessa Groshong Is Said to Have Been Other in Fight.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—At the Coroner's inquest held here last night to investigate the death of Kenneth Kenyon, of Denver, who died suddenly while at a picnic at the ranch of Ray Moak Sunday, it was brought out that in a slight altercation Odessa Groshong struck a blow under the heart. He fell over in Chester Dewey's arms and never regained consciousness.

Kenyon recently had been injured by falling from a tree the Fourth of July.

Kenyon and Groshong, with a crowd of other White Salmon men, had been invited to a picnic at Moak's ranch. They are said to have had a barrel of beer. One automobile load had returned to town, leaving these two, Fred Maw and Chester Dewey and Dewey's machine. These men testified that there was a slight argument over the return trip to town.

All except Kenyon climbed into an automobile to return to town. When Kenyon was invited to get into the machine he retorted that he had ordered a car, and guessed that he could pay for it. The words are said to have angered Groshong, who jumped from the machine and engaged in the fatal fight with Dean.

When they realized that Kenyon was seriously injured they telephoned to town for Dr. Gearhart, who, with Wade H. Dean, Kenyon's stepbrother, started immediately for the scene, meeting the incoming car at the top of Indian Hill. Dr. Gearhart and Dr. March made an examination, and this led to the Coroner's inquest.

The proceedings last night were conducted by Attorney Akin in the absence of District Attorney McEwens, who is in Portland, and Coroner Chapman, of Goldendale.

Kenneth Kenyon was the son of Professor A. E. Kenyon, a teacher in one of the high schools at Denver, Col., and left besides his stepbrother, W. H. Dean, of this city, three brothers and two sisters, all in Colorado. The body was taken to Denver today.

Mr. Groshong is not in town and there is no warrant out for his arrest.

BELLE SEEKING DIVORCE

Suit Recalls Blue Grass Society Wedding of Long Ago.

PARIS, Ky., Aug. 23.—Suit has been filed in the Bourbon Circuit Court here by Mrs. Willie Fisher Ingels against Edward M. Ingels, asking for an absolute divorce.

Mrs. Ingels was the beautiful Miss Willie Fisher, daughter of the late W. W. Fisher, a prominent Blue Grass farmer. She was married 28 years ago to Edward M. Ingels, only son of Dr. Edward M. Ingels, who was formerly one of the most noted physicians and surgeons in Kentucky. Their wedding was a society event. In her petition Mrs. Ingels alleges that her husband has been a habitual drunkard during almost their entire wedded life.

GEORGIA HOUSE GOES DRY

Legislators Liable to Be Ejected If They Are Intoxicated.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 19.—The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Georgia will have to be careful how they zigzag up the aisles, get too hilarious or not in their seats, for the doorkeeper may become suspicious and try to oust them for being intoxicated.

The House has adopted a new rule which reads:

"No member shall be permitted on the floor of the House while in an intoxicated condition and the doorkeeper is directed to keep a close watch and eject any member who is intoxicated."

PAY AS MAYOR IS WAIVED

Reading Man Would Run if $3500 Salary Is Cut Off.

READING, Pa., Aug. 27.—Dr. F. H. Brobst, head of the Taxpayers' League, who is being urged to become a candidate for the Mayoralty at the head of a citizens' ticket, in a statement declared that the only condition upon which he would accept was that the salary of the office be reduced from its present figure of $3500 annually to one dollar a year.

Dr. Brobst is one of Reading's citizens and has been responsible for the prosecution of many grafting cases.

FAITH IS IN HER "FORTUNE"

Clairvoyant Refuses to Pay Fine, Expecting Remission.

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 19.—Acting upon a presentiment which she says has come to her in her cell at the city jail, "Mme." Morrison, arrested recently as a fortune teller, persistently refuses to pay her fine of $100 and is as persistent in her belief that Recorder Gaskill will eventually remit it.

She is possessed of sufficient funds to pay the fine many times over and unless it is forthcoming within the next few days she will be sent to the county jail for seven months.

FIRE BURNING 500 ACRES

Ninety Men in Crews Battle With Flames on Shell Rock Creek.

According to the latest reports from the rangers who are fighting the fire on Shell Rock Creek, 90 men are being used in an endeavor to check the first serious forest blaze of this season.

The first started last Thursday and was the result of an electric storm. Fanned by an east wind, it is burning near Clackamas Lake, 20 miles south of Mount Hood. According to the latest reports that were received by T. H. Sherrard, Assistant District Forester, the fire covers about 500 acres.

Six new fires were reported yesterday in the vicinity of Bull Run and Lost Lakes. All of them were lightning fires.

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Miami, Okla. — "I had a female trouble and weakness that annoyed me continually. I tried doctors and all kinds of medicine for several years but was not cured until I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I hope my testimonial will help other suffering women to try your wonderful medicine." — Mrs. M. R. MILLER, Box 234, Commerce, Okla.

Another Woman who has Found Health in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Lindsborg, Kansas. — "Some years ago I suffered with terrible pains in my side which I thought were inflammation, also with a bearing down pain, backache, and I was at times awfully nervous. I took three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and am now enjoying good health. I will be glad to recommend your medicine to any woman suffering with female trouble and you may publish this letter." —Mrs. A. L. SMITH, R. No. 3, Box 60, Lindsborg, Kansas.

If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.