

COMPROMISE ARMY BILL NOW IN SIGHT

Senate Will Surrender Volunteer Provision; May Get More Instruction Camps.

NITRATE PLANT EXPECTED

Agreement on Regular Army With Peace Footing of 180,000 Men, and Senate Expansive Feature Likely to Result.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—Agreement on the Army reorganization bill in sight tonight. Congress today in the Senate and the House, who will renew deliberations tomorrow, expect to be able to reach a compromise so that the first of the big defense measures may be on the President's desk next week.

That the Senate conferees would have to surrender the volunteer army reserve of 251,000 men, which the House so strongly repudiated yesterday, was admitted tonight by Senate leaders, but they hope to strengthen the provision of the House bill authorizing citizen instruction camps so that military training for thousands of citizens may be afforded and a nucleus of a volunteer army thus built up.

POISON LAID TO WOMAN

HARTFORD, Conn., May 9.—Hartford County authorities and the state police today continued their investigation of the death of Franklin R. Andrews, of Cheshire, and other inmates of the Archer Home for Elderly People at Windsor. Mrs. Amy E. Archer-Galligan, proprietor of the home, was arrested, charged with Andrews' murder. An autopsy, it was charged, showed that poison had been administered to him. Mrs. Galligan denied any connection with the case.

DYNAMITE MIXER EXPLODES

NEW YORK, May 9.—Five workmen were killed in an explosion today at the plant of the Atlas Powder Company at the end of Lake Hopatcong, according to a statement issued by President W. J. Webster, who made no estimate of the number injured. The explosion was in the dynamite mixing department. The operations are carried on in several small buildings and four of these were destroyed. The damage was confined entirely to a section of the plant working on regular domestic commercial operations. The entire loss is covered by insurance and replacement will be made.

GUARD WILL HELP FUNSTON

Present system. The full enrolled strength of each regiment called out is liable for service under penalty of court or court-martial action. Army officers believe there will be no difficulty in getting out the full strength. The expense and a great part of enlistment in the National Guard of the three states because of the chance for active service.

GET RID OF HUMORS

Hood's Sarsaparilla is the Medicine to Take—Makes Pure Blood. Dry, moist, scaly tetter, pimples, boils and other eruptions come from humors, which may be either inherited or acquired through defective digestion and assimilation.

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ments against campaign wastage. The fighting organization is lent complete to the Government for such time as it is needed. President Wilson specified no time of service in his call. The law authorizes him to do so, but does not make it mandatory. The situation on the border is such that no forecast of the length of time they will be needed can be made.

TEXT OF CALL FOR MILITIA TO DEFEND BORDER.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—The text of Secretary Baker's call for militia to the Governors of the three states, made public late today, follows: "Having in view the possibility of further aggression upon territory of the United States from Mexico and the necessity for the proper protection of that frontier, the President has thought proper to exercise the authority vested in him by the Constitution and laws and call out the organized militia necessary for that purpose. The organized militia of the state of Arizona (Texas, New Mexico), which the President directs shall be at the places designated by the commanding general, Southern Department, now at El Paso, Tex., and which he has been directed to communicate to you.

Upon the arrival of the organized militia at the designated places of rendezvous they will be mustered into the service of the United States by officers of the regular Army designated for that purpose.

VANCOUVER GETS CALL

Colonel Francis H. French Is in Command of Force That Is Ordered to Prepare to Go to Mexico.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., May 9.—(Special.)—Orders were received here today to hold five companies here of the Twenty-first Infantry in readiness to depart soon for the Mexican border. Colonel Francis H. French is in command of the Twenty-first Infantry here and will accompany the troops.

ASHLAND HOTEL REOPENS

ASHLAND, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—Nearly 200 guests gathered around the banquet tables of the Hotel Oregon tonight at the reopening of the Hotel Oregon after the closing of the house for extensive alterations and repairs. Visitors from all over the valley and points in far north as Portland added to the attendance of Ashland people.

COLUMBIA RIVER RISING

WATER IS AT 18 FEET ABOVE ZERO and Ferry Landing Is Choked. VANCOUVER, Wash., May 9.—(Special.)—The Columbia River has risen about 12 inches in the past 24 hours and tonight is nearly 18 feet above zero. It will rise slowly for the next 24 hours, it is predicted by rivermen, who know the stage of the river at various points above. The river is three feet above the highest mark last year.

WALA WALLA LAYS PLANS

WALA WALLA, Wash., May 9.—(Special.)—Additional plans for Walla Walla's Fourth of July celebration were made today at the meeting of the committee. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic from all over this section will be invited to attend and will participate in the celebration.

Michigan Progressives Want T. R.

JACKSON, Mich., May 9.—Theodore Roosevelt was endorsed for the Progressive Presidential nomination at the state convention of the National Progressive party here today and the 56 delegates to the Chicago convention were instructed to support his candidacy.

It's Impossible to Comprehend the Magnitude of THE MAY WHITE SALE Especially the Economies Presented in Undermuslins and Wash Fabrics

Crepe de Chine Envelope Chemise In the White Sale Special at \$1.79, \$1.98, \$2.39, \$2.95 to \$3.39 Regular \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.50 to \$4.50

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TROOPS CALLED OUT

Twenty-First at Vancouver Is Ordered to Border. HOOD RIVER, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—The berry and fruit-canning season approaches, the price of sugar continues to soar and housewives of the Hood River Valley fear a resultant curtailment of the family stock of pie material and preserves the coming winter.

DESTINATION NOT REVEALED

Twenty-Fifth at Forts Lawton and Wright Also Told to Reinforce Funston—Fourteenth Will Pass Through Portland. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 9.—Practically all troops now remaining at Vancouver Barracks and Forts Lawton and Wright will proceed by rail to the Mexican border under orders issued by the War Department today.

MR. CUMMINS PLEASED

SENATOR COMES WEST IN BELIEF HE MAY CARRY OREGON. Hard Fight, However, Expected—Vote of State Would Place Him in Lead of Avowed Candidates.

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SUGAR PRICE PROBE ASKED

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PSI U'S ENTER WASHINGTON

Invitations Sent Out for Installation of New Chapter Next June. HOOD RIVER, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—Letters to friends of the local boys who will be initiated into the National Greek-letter fraternity, announce that the Psi Upsilon, a local society of the University of Washington, have been granted a charter in Psi Upsilon fraternity.

ASTORIA LETS 2 CONTRACTS

Paving and Construction of Viaduct Are Proposed. ASTORIA, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—Approximately 13 blocks of the streets in the business section of Astoria will be improved immediately by the construction of a reinforced concrete viaduct. Seven blocks on Commercial, four blocks of Eleventh and two blocks on Dunne street are included in the total cost of \$161,390.81.

ITALIANS LOSE HEAVILY

Austrians Destroy Enemy Position With Powerful Mine. BERLIN, May 9.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—A statement issued by Austro-Hungarian headquarters at Vienna under date of May 8 says, an enemy position in the district of San Martino was destroyed by powerful mine explosions, in consequence of which the Italian suffered heavy losses.

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