

FOOD DEPARTMENT URGED BY HOOVER Position of Dictator Is Not Desired by Head of Relief Commission.

REPORT MADE TO WILSON Price-Fixing Advocated Before Senate Committee—Unlimited Power for Administration Meets Opposition in House.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—Herbert C. Hoover reported to President Wilson on food conditions abroad and presented the allies' estimates of their food requirements from America during the coming year.

On his departure from the White House Mr. Hoover was asked if he would accept a place as food dictator if one were created. "I don't want to be food dictator for the American people," he replied.

Before the Senate agriculture committee during the day Mr. Hoover urged that a central food department be established. He advocated price-fixing bills approved by the Administration as a means of ending speculation and argued for prohibition as a war measure.

Despite the poor outlook for winter wheat, the Department of Agriculture hopes the country will produce a surplus for export to the allies by growing a great spring crop.

Use of Corn Bread Urged. "Weather conditions appear to be good for spring wheat. There has been plenty of moisture. The conditions appear good, too, for corn."

BILL PROVIDES WAR TAX

March 21, 1917, amounted to \$2,790,000,000, or about \$50 per capita. "The committee believes that the American people were never in a more favorable condition to pay a reasonable amount of war taxes."

It Is Delicious HOLSIM WAR BREAD

It's ALL wheat bread—pure and wholesome—of special benefit to people with indigestion. Look for the label—refuse imitations.

Log Cabin Baking Co.

year at about \$3,800,000,000, exclusive of the bond issue to finance the foreign loans. "We already have authorized a bond issue of \$2,000,000,000." It added, "to provide a portion of the necessary funds to finance war."

CASH FOR JETTY SOUGHT

CHAMBERLAIN WILL FIGHT TO HAVE ITEM BACK IN BILL. Fact Columbia Can Get Along Without Extension Held Not Reason for Cutting of \$975,000.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 9.—Senator Chamberlain will make a fight when the rivers and harbors bill reaches the Senate to secure the restoration of the appropriation of \$975,000 for the mouth of the Columbia River, mainly for the North Jetty.

HARBOR WORK PROVIDED FOR

Representative Hawley Finds Items for Oregon Rivers. SALEM, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—Just before leaving Washington, D. C., for Monroe, Or., to be at the bedside of his mother, who is critically ill, Representative W. C. Hawley today heard before the committee on rivers and harbors of the House of Representatives in behalf of the river and harbor projects in the first Congressional District of Oregon.

FLAG STOCKINGS TABOO

SAN FRANCISCO STORES DECLINE TO REPLENISH STOCKS. "Disrespectful to Old Glory to Be Embroidered on Hosiery," Says One Large Buyer.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—(Special.)—Patriotism was put above commercialism in several of the large local department stores here today when stocking buyers refused to replenish their line of silk hosiery embroidered with the American flag.

Gresham Boys Called to Service. GRESHAM, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—Sergeant Fred H. Crane, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Crane, of Fairview, left for San Francisco Tuesday, whence he will go to the Presidio to take the regulation examination for a Lieutenant's commission in the regular Army.

STAR Three Days Starting Washington at Park This Morning



A WORLD PICTURE - MADE BY ROBERT WARWICK and GAIL KANE in "The Heart of a Hero"

"The Heart of a Hero" Every American honors Nathan Hale, the man who said: "I regret that I have but one life to give for my country." "THE HEART OF A HERO" is a visualization of the romantic side of Nathan Hale, the immortal hero of the American Revolution.

The same splendid programme includes the tense and gripping fourth chapter of the absorbing "Mystery of the Double Cross," with lovely Mollie King. Daily 11 A. M. to 11 P. M. Only until Saturday night at the

STAR THEATER

VAWTER IS SET FREE

Virginia Professor Acquitted of Charge of Murder. COURT RESERVES DECISION ON MOTIONS FOR DISMISSAL.

DEFENDANT SCORES PRESS

Man Admitting Condoning Wife's Intimacy With Student Lays Unfairness to Newspapers and Prosecuting Officials. CHRISTIANSBURG, Va., May 9.—Charles E. Vawter, ex-professor of Physics in Virginia Polytechnic Institute, was declared not guilty tonight of the murder of Stockton Heath, Jr., a wealthy young society man and sportsman, whom he shot to death in the Vawter home early in the morning of March 12.

"SNOW BABY" WILL MARRY

Daughter of Rear-Admiral Peary Engaged to Edward Stafford. WASHINGTON, May 9.—Announcement of the engagement of Rear-Admiral Peary's daughter, Marie Anighito, to Edward Stafford, son of Justice Stafford, of the local Supreme Court, was made here today.

BLANCETT DOOMED TO DIE

Friday Harbor, Wash., Man Sentenced to Hang June 8. SANTA FE, N. M., May 9.—Judge E. C. Abbott, of the District Court, has sentenced Elbert W. Blancett, of Friday Harbor, Wash., convicted of murdering Clyde D. Armour, of Sioux City, Iowa, to be hanged June 8.

CANADA HAS EXTRA TENTS

Offer of Supplies Is Made to Army Officials. WASHINGTON, May 9.—Canada has an enormous stock of tentage and other quartermaster's supplies on which the United States can draw, if necessary, for the equipment of its armies.

HIGH COST PROBE IS ON

SPOKANE HAS FIVE COMMITTEES INVESTIGATING MAIN PROBLEMS. Members Are Told "Facts, Not Theories," Are Wanted—Work Must Be "Prompt and Thorough."

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MAN ADMIITING CONDONING WIFE'S INTIMACY WITH STUDENT LAYS UNFAIRNESS TO NEWSPAPERS AND PROSECUTING OFFICIALS.

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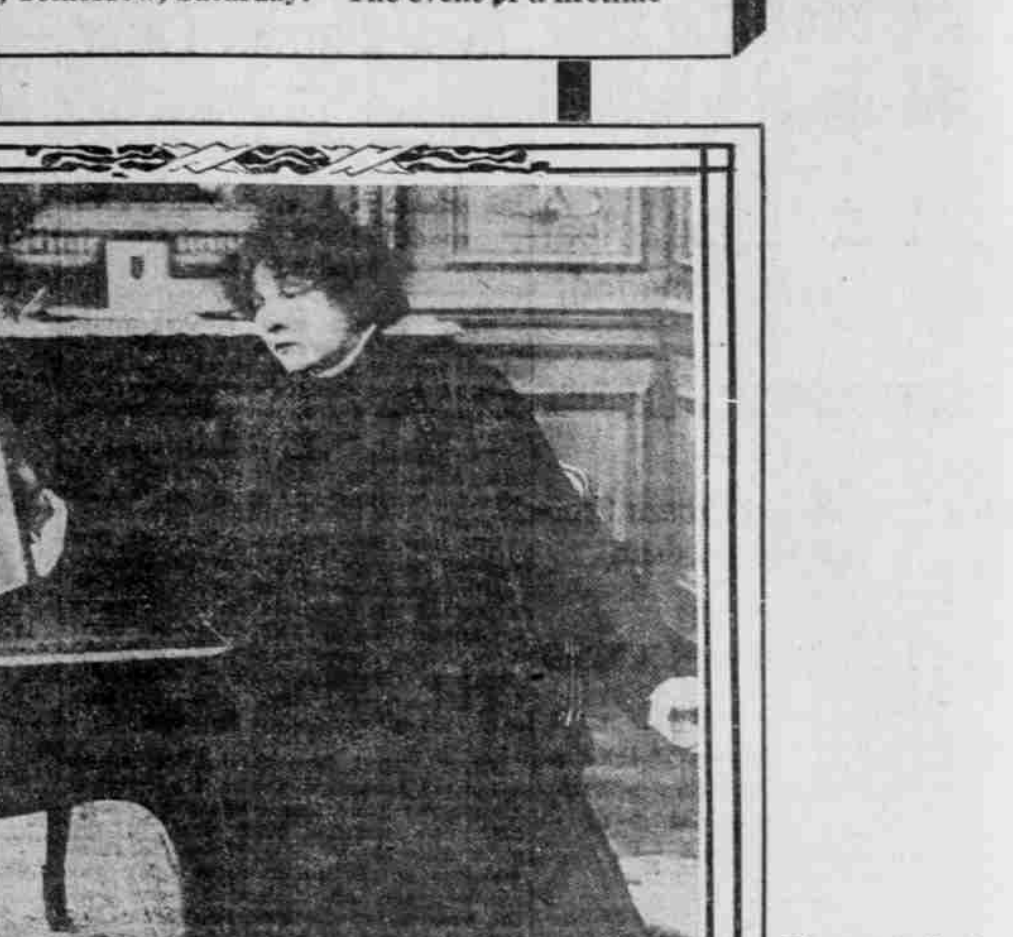
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PEOPLES Alder at West Park—Marshall 880 Only Today, Tomorrow, Saturday. "The event of a lifetime"



Sarah Bernhardt in "Mothers of France" at Peoples

"Mothers of France" This production is taking the entire Nation by storm. It is proving to be the most wonderful, sublime offering this theater has ever had the pleasure of presenting. "Mothers of France" is more than a motion picture—it is an inspired message from the people of France to the people of America.

Continuous daily from 10:30 A. M. to 11 P. M. To get first choice of the best seats, come as early, please, as possible. "Mothers of France" will be followed by the first of the new productions of Douglas Fairbanks who will be followed by Mary Pickford's latest, greatest production at the Peoples.

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This Diagram shows the actual number of sets sold and unsold of the new Encyclopaedia Britannica printed on genuine India paper, up to May 2nd last. When the last set is sold, your opportunity to obtain the Britannica printed on genuine India paper will be gone forever. THE GILL'S THIRD AND ALDER. Note how few sets are left. 96 7/8 % Sold Only 3 1/8 % Unsold.