



## EDUCATORS OPEN MAIN CONVENTION

### Delegates Welcomed to Portland.

### HIGH OFFICIALS ARE PRESENT

### Noble Ideals for Teachers Are Kept Ever in Foreground.

### PRESIDENT ALEY IS HEARD

### Important Part Instructors Play by Inculcating Patriotism and Loyalty Into Hearts of Young Americans Emphasized.

## HIGH LIGHTS IN N. E. A. CONVENTION PROGRAMME TODAY.

- 9 A. M.—Committee on resolutions, general headquarters, Multnomah Hotel.
- 9:30 A. M.—National conference extension education, room 315, Lincoln High.
- 10 A. M.—National conference state educational associations, Shattuck School.
- 10 A. M.—Department meetings as scheduled on page 6.
- 12 noon—College and university presidents luncheon, with President Foster, of Reed College.
- 3 P. M.—General session at Auditorium.
- 4 P. M.—Romance language teachers, room 731 Multnomah Hotel.
- 6 P. M.—Reception National executive committee and administrative women, Multnomah Hotel.
- 7:30 P. M.—The "Pied Piper" and band concert, Peninsula Park.

School opened in Portland yesterday for the National Education Association, when the first meeting of the general sessions of the 55th annual convention assembled in the Public Auditorium.

The instructors were all educators of prominence. Their great, composite class was some thousands of men and women from all parts of America, whose duty is the exacting task of turning out a superior product—the young citizen. And the lesson, broadly speaking, was that of loyalty and liberty.

The duties of the new patriot, the inculcation of higher ideals and the conservation of resources, with respect to the school systems of America, and the opportunity thereby afforded to further those principles, were eloquently arrayed by each speaker.

**Ideals Are Expressed.**  
It was Dr. William T. Foster, president of Reed College, who voiced the sentiment that prevails in the minds and hearts of the N. E. A. delegates and which is to be found in a hundred topics of their programme.

"It is the function of the school, as the conservator of ideals, and it must therefore be the controlling purpose of this convention, to keep the vision of these, our noble National aspirations, unblurred; for where there is no such vision, the people perish," declared Dr. Foster.

The opening number, which was endorsed beyond recall, was by the Triole Singers of the Portland Grade Teachers' Association, who sang "The Beautiful Willamette" to harp accompaniment. Sam L. Simpson's reverie to the mighty river is printed in the official programme, and had been selected for preservation by many of the visiting teachers, even before the Triole Singers charmed them with its musical setting.

**Psalm Still Audience.**  
The innate poetry and philosophical beauty of the 109th Psalm, as read by Minnie Richards Blaine, of the College of Speech Arts, Denver, Colo., quelled the stirrings in the big auditorium to the silence of prayer. With the song and the Psalm the general sessions of the N. E. A. opened.

They cheered the introduction of Mayor George L. Baker, as he stood before those many guests of the city, and they laughed at his sallies, the spice of that very cordial welcome he gave them. His had been the scientist of education, said Mayor Baker, as he was compelled at the age of 9 to leave school and take up the business of livelihood.

"A man with \$13 worth of education speaking to the educators of the United States has a pretty big crust," the Mayor admitted, to an accompaniment of laughter.

**Mayor Praises Oregon.**  
Yet he spoke on and, while denying that it was his intent to dwell upon the manifold beauties of Portland and Oregon, sighted none of them, and flourished statistics to prove that the city and state are without peers.

L. R. Alderman, Superintendent of Public Instruction of Portland, in his welcoming address, talked briefly of the local school system and directed attention to the value placed by it upon the personality of the teacher, which is

## JAMES W. GERARD QUILTS DIPLOMACY

### EX-AMBASSADOR TO BERLIN RETURNS TO PRIVATE LIFE.

### Resignation Handed State Department Some Time Ago, After Difficult Season in Germany.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—James W. Gerard, former Ambassador to Germany, has resigned from the diplomatic service and returned to private life. His resignation was accepted some time ago, although the fact was not allowed to become known until today.

The resignation terminates an ambassadorial career regarded by the State Department as one of the most important in American diplomatic history. Assuming the post at Berlin but a year before the outbreak of the world war, Mr. Gerard was called upon almost from the first to air his abilities to maintain friendly relations between his government and Germany at the same time that he was caring for the vast diplomatic interests there of the allies.

Mr. Gerard and his staff returned to the United States March 12. He has not intimated to officials here his plans for the future.

A peculiar situation exists as a result of Mr. Gerard's resignation, with officials in doubt as to whether it leaves a vacancy in the diplomatic service. The general opinion seems to be that termination of diplomatic relations with Germany automatically terminates the existence of the American Embassy at Berlin and with it the need of an Ambassador.

## BONE-DRY LAW IN DANGER

### Additional Names for Washington Referendum to Be Counted.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 9.—(Special.)—Washington's bone-dry law is probably held up by referendum as the result of a Superior Court ruling today that 330 signatures not included in the petitions first filed must be counted. They were brought to the Secretary of State after the assembled petitions had been accepted, but still within the 90-day limit.

It is admitted that the original bone-dry petitions lacked only about 100 of legal sufficiency to invoke a referendum and the 330 additional names are regarded as a safe margin.

## NAVY TAKES SITE FOR BASE

### Action on Submarine Station at Mouth of Columbia Delayed.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 9.—The Navy Department today announced that the Edis Hook submarine base site near Fort Stevens has been transferred by Presidential proclamation to the Navy Department. This was one of the submarine bases recommended by the Helm Board.

There has been no action yet on the Columbia River site.

## BLOW MAY PROVE FATAL

### R. H. Mason Injured While Fixing Pump at Woodburn Home.

WOODBURN, Or., July 9.—(Special.)—R. H. Mason, former resident of Portland, yesterday was injured probably fatally, while helping fix a pump at his home near Woodburn.

A large piece of iron fell from above, striking his head. Hopes are held for his recovery, although he is in a semi-conscious condition.

## FIELDS GET FARM LOAN

### First Federal Funds for Agriculture Placed in Lane County.

EUGENE, Or., July 9.—(Special.)—The first Federal farm loan in Lane County was completed today, when Joseph E. Field and Kate Vanduyt Field, of Coburg, received money from the Government.

It is expected other Lane County loans will be completed in the near future.

## FOREST FIRE CONTROLLED

### Blaze Near Bend Destroys 40 Acres of Timber.

BEND, Or., July 9.—(Special.)—One of the worst forest fires to occur in this section this year was put under control yesterday by a crew of men working under John Ryan, of the Tules. Before the work was done about 40 acres of timber was destroyed.

## CHAPLIN COSTS \$1,075,000

### Film Comedian Signed for Eight Pictures by Exhibitors.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Charlie Chaplin, moving picture comedian, has been signed by the First National Exhibitors' Circuit for a series of eight pictures, for which he will receive \$1,075,000, according to an "official announcement" given out here last night.

## BROTHER AND SISTER MEET

### New Yorker Greeted in Eugene After 48 Years' Separation.

EUGENE, Or., July 9.—(Special.)—C. H. Pinkham, of New York City, and Mrs. James Fullerton, of Eugene, brother and sister, met here today for the first time in 48 years.

Mr. Pinkham and his wife are making a tour of the Pacific Coast.

## NATIONAL GUARD TO BE DRAFTED AUG. 5

### Standing as U.S. Troops to Be Unquestionable.

### MILITIA DISCHARGE ORDERED

### Mobilization Still to Be Made in Two Increments.

### OREGON CAMP AT PALO ALTO

### Calls Will Be Made on July 15 and 25, Men and Officers to Hold Similar Rank in Regular Army, Says Proclamation.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The last step necessary to make the entire National Guard available for duty in France was taken by President Wilson today with the issue of a proclamation drafting the state troops into the Army of the United States on August 5.

To make certain that the purpose of the National defense act is carried out, the proclamation also specifically declares the men drafted to be discharged from the old militia status on that date.

In that way the constitutional requirement upon use of militia outside the country is avoided and the way paved for sending the regiments to the European front.

**Many Already Federalized.**  
Prior to the application of the draft, regiments in the Northern and Eastern section of the country are called into the Federal service as National Guardsmen in two increments to be mobilized on July 15 and 25.

Many units already are Federalized and presumably they will be mobilized with the other troops from their states. The guard from the other states will be mobilized on the day of the draft. The arrangement was necessary to provide for movement of the regiments to their concentration camps without congestion.

The operation of the draft law was delayed until August 5 so that all regiments can be taken into the Army simultaneously. Fourteen camp sites for the 14 tactical divisions into which the guard will be organized have been selected already and the militia bureau is preparing the railway routing of the troops to the camps.

**Oregon Guard Goes to Palo Alto.**  
Seven of the sites selected are in the Southeastern department, five in the Southern and two in the Western. The two others will be in the Southeastern department and until they are approved assignments of regiments to camps and divisions cannot be fully worked out. The only two divisions positively assigned are the Nineteenth, including the California guard, which will go to Linda Vista, Cal., and the

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## FLIERS TO LEARN IN THIRTY HOURS

### FIRST STUDENTS TO REACH NORTH ISLAND MONDAY.

### Cadets Will Be Sent to Mobilization Camp at San Antonio After They Have Proved Ability.

### SAN DIEGO, July 9.—Additional plans for the training at North Island of aviation students from the University of California were announced today.

The first squadron of 25 cadets is expected to report to Colonel Alexander Dade at the aeronautical academy next Monday. Each "ground school" student will receive 30 hours flying instruction under the supervision of Captain H. J. Damm, chief flying instructor.

Every cadet is expected to fly successfully for his license as reserve military aviator within two months after he reaches North Island. The cadets, as they are licensed, will be sent to the aeronautical mobilization base at San Antonio, Tex., for assignment to squadrons. What happens to them after that will not be divulged except in the publication of Army orders.

Officers at the North Island camp said today that by the end of July the total enrollment at all Government and civilian schools of aviation would reach approximately 2000. On July 8, it was announced, there were 1004 cadets under aeronautical instruction in this country.

## CHAMBERLAIN NOT ASKED

### Postmaster Myers Was Reappointed Without Consulting Senator.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 9.—Senator Chamberlain said today that he had not recommended the reappointment of Frank S. Myers as postmaster at Portland. In fact, he has not been asked to make any recommendation.

It is his understanding that Mr. Myers is to be reappointed solely on recommendation of the Postmaster-General, this being in conformity with department policy of retaining Presidential postmasters whose records are satisfactory.

## CROPS IN NEED OF RAIN

### Central Oregon Thermometers Are Above Ninety Degrees.

BEND, Or., July 9.—(Special.)—The highest point reached this season by the mercury at the local weather station was recorded on Sunday, when the thermometer registered 94. Today's maximum is 90 degrees. As it has not rained here for nearly two months, crops are badly in need of moisture and are suffering from the heat.

## GERMANY HAS FOOD STRIKE

### Demonstration in Large Cologne Factories Is Reported.

COPENHAGEN, July 9.—Food troubles gave rise to a demonstrative strike in large factories at Cologne on Saturday. Both Socialist and Catholic unions took part in the movement.

An official report says the unions decided to resume work the following day.

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## GERMANY ON BRINK OF GREAT UPEHAVAL

### Clerical Party Swings Against Government.

### KAISER CALLS IN NEUTRALS

### Threat of Reprisals if Food Is Cut Off Is Suspected.

### HOLLWEG SEES EMPEROR

### Chancellor and Others Again Are Before Committee Investigating Political Affairs—Austrian Cabinet Sends Resignation.

COPENHAGEN, July 9.—A Berlin dispatch to the Fremdenblatt, of Hamburg, says the entire Clerical party in the Reichstag, with the exception of three members, voted Saturday night to support the stand taken by Matthias Erzberger, who made a sensational speech in the secret session of the main committee, attacking the Admiralty and Pan-Germans as the great obstacles to peace and advocating peace without annexations or indemnities and the introduction of a Parliamentary form of government.

Hollweg Expected to Quit.  
This action was taken, the dispatch says, under the presumption that Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg would retire.

The Clerical party is the largest in the Reichstag. Hitherto it has worked with the Conservatives in giving the government a majority. Any such move as is indicated by the foregoing dispatch would amount to a political overturn of the first magnitude. The dispatch bears out advice cable from Berlin on Saturday that unless all indications failed, a momentous upheaval was at hand.

LONDON, July 9.—According to reports reaching Rotterdam from Berlin and forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph, Emperor William invited the neutral Ambassadors and Ministers to a conference on Saturday.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Confidence here as to the purpose of the conference between Emperor William and the neutral Ambassadors and Ministers ranged all the way from new peace proposals to threats of drastic action against the North European neutrals in the event that they should yield to the United States and refuse to continue to supply Germany with food and raw materials.

**Threat Made to Neutrals.**  
The general belief is that the Emperor is making it plain to the Scandinavians that if they allow their territorial waters to be patrolled or mined by the entente allies or refuse to continue to exchange goods with Germany he will regard the action as a breach of faith.

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## N. E. A. VISITOR, 102, SEES U.S. IN 5 WARS

### HENRY HILL WATSON TRAVELS FROM OSWEGO, NEW YORK.

### Centenarian Expects to Live at Least Part Way Through European Conflict.

"I lived through four of the wars of the United States and I didn't expect to see another, but it looks as if I were going to live, at least part way, through a fifth," said Henry Hill Watson, of Oswego, N. Y., 102 years old, who arrived in Portland last night, comparatively little fatigued by his journey across the continent.

Mr. Watson is on his way to Astoria, where he is to make his home with his son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Johnson. They were at the Byron Hotel last night and will leave by boat for Astoria today.

Mrs. Johnson accompanied her father on his journey from Oswego, N. Y., to Portland, and they were joined at Spokane by Mr. Johnson.

Although physically feeble, Mr. Watson is of keenly active mind and it was while discussing the present war on the train yesterday that he made the remark about the number of wars through which he has lived. The Seminole War, Mexican War, Civil War and Spanish-American War are all within his memory—which is remarkably keen, not only upon events that happened in his youth, but upon things right up to modern dates, a rather unusual quality of memory in an aged person.

He is the head of five generations now living, and his son, at Watertown, N. Y., is 76 years old.

## OREGON TROOPS ARREST 30

### I. W. W. at North Yakima Are Seized by Guardsmen.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., July 9.—Oregon troops, who arrived here today to assist in dealing with the Industrial Workers of the World situation, tonight took charge of the Industrial Workers of the World hall and arrested 30 members of the organization, including several leaders of the agitation that has been carried on here. The men were placed temporarily in the City Jail. Some of them, it was stated, will be released, but Federal charges are to be placed against the others, who will be arraigned before the United States Commissioner here.

The arrests were made so quietly that comparatively few people knew of it.

## ALLIES TO CONFER OVER BALKANS.

LONDON, July 9.—The Entente Allies have decided to hold a conference in Paris for the consideration of questions of military and political interests in connection with the Balkans.

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## TEXAS MURDERER IS CAPTURED HERE

### Rufus Coates Walks Into Police Net

### COMPANION ALSO IS TAKEN

### Youth of 18 Confesses to Killing of Sweetheart.

### CRIME IS MOST SHOCKING

### Victim's Head Is Crushed With Club and Throat Is Slashed. Prisoner Tells Police He Was Insanely Jealous.

As they strolled coolly down Morrison street yesterday afternoon, little suspecting that City Detectives Hellyer and Tackaberry, Hyde and Abbott were waiting, one on each corner, at the intersection of Third street, Rufus Coates, of Fort Worth, Tex., self-confessed murderer and perpetrator of one of the coldest-blooded murders recorded in the crime annals of the United States, and Clyde Tucker, said to be an accomplice to the crime, walked into the police net and before they were aware of their danger they were surrounded and placed under arrest.

Coates, who is only a boy of 18, murdered his 18-year-old sweetheart, Zella Faulk, at Fort Worth, while in a rage of jealousy. He called her from her home and asked her to walk with him into the woods near her home. Without a word of warning, he picked up a club from the ground and struck her on the head.

**Complete Confession Made.**  
Leaving her dying on the ground he went to the home of his friend, Clyde Tucker, aged 22, and unperturbed, told Tucker, "I have done it." Taking his friend with him he led the way to the scene of the murder and pointed out his sweetheart lying on the ground, breathing her last. They bathed her head and when they were unable to revive her Tucker is said to have told Coates to "finish" the job, and left the scene. Taking a knife from his pocket he cut the girl's throat, completely severing her neck. Coates made a complete confession of the crime yesterday afternoon. His own story in his own way follows:

"On the night of June 2, 1917, I was drinking with several fellows at Fort Worth. Later, I was passing the house of the girl's aunt and heard Zella crying. Knowing that a man by the name of Levy Hudo was with her, I thought maybe he was aiding her harm.

**Drink Aids Jealousy.**  
"I went to my home and obtained an ax, intending to cut Hudo up. When I got back to where they were I found that Hudo had not harmed her, and I went away without hurting him and without saying anything to them.

"I had another drink and went to the house of the girl again. I called her from the house and asked her to go for a walk with me in the woods. We did not quarrel, but I was mad; crazy from jealousy. The man with whom she had been before was a married man, and it kept making me madder and madder.

"We walked for some distance into the woods, and without saying anything I stooped down and picked a club up from the ground and hit her in the head with it.

**Body Shown to Clyde Tucker.**  
"She fell and I stood and looked at her for a minute. I then went to the house of Clyde Tucker, and when I found him I told him: 'Well, I have done it.' He asked me: 'You've done what?' and I said: 'Killed Zella.' He wanted to see her, so I took him to the woods where I had left her lying on the ground. She was barely breathing when we got there. We both bathed her head with water, and after we saw there was no chance of saving her, Tucker looked at me and said: 'Why don't you finish the job?' He then turned and walked away. I know she would die, and thought I might as well finish her then. I took hold of her hair and with the knife which Tucker had given me a couple of days before when I lost mine, I cut her throat across the front.

"I then left her lying there and went to find Tucker. When I found him I told him to take the knife and I would meet him in Oklahoma City the next day. I didn't try to sleep any that night, and left at once for Oklahoma City, 200 miles away.

**Love for Girl Declared.**  
"I met Tucker in Oklahoma City the next night and we started straight for this part of the country. We arrived in Portland last Saturday night. Now I have 'come clean' and all the way across, you have the truth.

"Did you love the girl?' Coates was asked.

"Yes, sir, I did, and intended to marry her as soon as I got money enough. But I was very jealous of her and got awfully mad that night.

Coates is nothing more than a mere boy, but the manner in which he recited the incidents of the night of June 2 was as if he were telling a story of some minor adventure which he had just experienced.

Working on a tip from Fort Worth that the murderer might be headed

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