

ARGENTINE MOBS ASSAIL GERMANS

Consulate Is Stoned and Business Houses Burned.

PASSPORTS GIVEN MINISTER

Germany Told to Disapprove Acts of Envoy or Relations Will Be Broken.

FIRES SET REPEATEDLY

Crowds Disarm Police When Efforts Are Made to Stop Wielders of Torches.

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 13.—The rioting which began here late yesterday in an anti-German demonstration continued throughout the night. Every German business house and restaurant in the downtown district was wrecked. The German Club and several other buildings were damaged seriously by fire. The police wounded seven rioters when they fired into the crowd. Three of the injured are expected to die.

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 12.—The downtown section of the city was the scene of the wildest disorders tonight in connection with great anti-German demonstrations in which thousands of Argentinians took part.

Many of those in the mobs carried firebrands, and as a result scores of buildings were set on fire. Several blocks of German business houses in Calle 25 de Mayo were destroyed. Early in the afternoon the German Legation was stoned.

Among the structures attacked were the German Club, one of the finest edifices in the city, and the building of the German daily, La Union. As fast as the fires in these buildings were extinguished they were started again.

Mobs Disarm Police.

Mounted patrols and the entire fire department kept rushing from one part of the city to another in an attempt to quell the riots and put down the flames. In several instances police who were attempting to shoot at those wielding torches were set upon by the crowds and disarmed.

Extraordinary precautions have been taken by the authorities to protect Count Luxburg, the German Minister, when he arrives here tomorrow morning to receive his passports.

Passports Given Luxburg.

The Argentine government at noon today sent to the German legation passports to be delivered to Count Luxburg, the German Minister in Buenos Aires.

The decision to hand Count von Luxburg his passports was reached by President Rigoyen after a conference with the Foreign Secretary, but without consulting the Cabinet, which had been called to meet this evening and receive Ambassador Naon's dispatches from Washington. The President maintained that the matter was grave enough and pressing enough to warrant his immediate decision without reference to the Cabinet.

Sweden's Version Accepted.

It is believed unlikely that any action will be taken toward Sweden, yesterday's explanation by the Swedish Legation apparently satisfying the government that Baron Lovén acted in good faith in forwarding the telegrams, the contents of which were unknown to him.

During the three days that elapsed while the government was satisfying itself as to the accuracy of the exposures made in Washington, the public, despite the gravity of the accusations, responded to the appeals of government officials and the newspapers by refraining from any anti-German demonstrations.

The feeling of the Argentine public in the present instance was manifested today, however, when all afternoon immense crowds in front of the newspaper bulletin boards cheered the news that Count von Luxburg would have to leave the republic.

Envoy Told to Go.

The note sent by Foreign Minister Pueyrredon to Count von Luxburg, in which the German Minister was tendered his passports, reads:

"Mr. Minister—You having ceased to be persona grata to the Argentine"

STUDENTS THANKED BY WAR ORPHANS

FIRST LETTERS FROM FRANCE REACH WASHINGTON HIGH.

Appreciation Expressed for Support of 30 Children by Forgoing Few Pleasures.

The first letters have been received at Washington High School from the French war orphans, who have been supported during the past year by the money contributed by the students of that school. The letters are now in the process of being translated by the French teachers of the school.

Last term, while the campaign to get money for the war orphans was on, the school was visited by several speakers, who asked the students to contribute. They did this so liberally that for the past year about 30 of these children have been cared for by the money so given.

The letters tell of the conditions existing in France, and give many details of the suffering of the people. They are also full of thanks for the help extended to them in their time of need. The students were greatly pleased to receive the letters, and are as proud of them as they are of any of the many cups in the trophy case. All are glad that they abstained from attending a few shows, thereby saving money, and would be just as glad to do so in the future for such a cause.

MEN IN SERVICE FAVORED

Funds in Postal Savings Banks May Be Withdrawn by Mail.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—Privilege of withdrawing funds from postal savings by mail is extended to depositors in the military or naval service engaged in work connected with military or naval activities abroad, in an order issued yesterday by Postmaster-General Burleson. Certificates of deposit, endorsed before a Federal postal agent, a United States Consul or a commissioned officer of the Army or Navy may be forwarded with an application for a money order for the desired amount, less the usual fee.

The money order will be mailed to the applicant abroad as soon as it can be issued by the depository office.

T. R. ADVOCATES TRAINING

Former Representative Humphrey Asked to Make Speaking Campaign.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 12.—Colonel Roosevelt has written to ex-Representative Will E. Humphrey, of Washington, asking him to make a speaking campaign for universal military training and insurance against future war.

The letter says: "The pacifist, the pro-German, the anti-preparedness and the disarmament man are all of them enemies of this country everywhere; but to a peculiar degree they are enemies to the people of the Pacific slope, for if they have their way the Pacific slope will assuredly one day suffer the fate that China is now suffering."

MATRON OUTRUNS FUGITIVE

Escaped Tacoma Prisoner Says Woman Is Fit for Track.

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—After a chase of several hundred yards, which took her pellmell through a house, Police Matron Ada Todd today single-handedly captured J. W. Walters, a husky young prisoner who had escaped from Jailer Rivard near the Courthouse.

Puffing for breath, but with the sparkle of victory in her eyes, the matron brought the captive back by the name of the neck. Walters, abashed and blushing, made only one remark on his capture, which was: "She missed her calling; she should have been on the track."

CAPTURED AUTOIST LEAPS

Harry Kelly Races Car Down Street and Dives to Freedom.

Harry Kelly, 122 Graham avenue, under arrest while driving a car that had been reported stolen, escaped last night from Patrolman Minnoton, by leaping from the machine, which he sent racing down the street at East Twenty-fourth and Broadway. Patrolman Minnoton saved his own life by righting the car, which had headed under full power for one of the buildings on the corner, but the man had escaped.

With Kelly were Carrie and Ruth Keller and Harry H. Hanes, a soldier.

8900 CAPTURED AT RIGA

Germans Report Taking of 325 Cannon in Battle.

BERLIN, via London, Sept. 12.—Russian prisoners captured by the Germans in the battle of Riga numbered 8900, according to the official announcement issued today by the German general staff.

The Germans also took 325 cannon.

HAWAIIAN DRY BILL IS IN

Measure Introduced in Senate Is Referred to Committee.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—A bill proposing prohibition in the Hawaiian Islands was introduced by Senator Shafroth today.

The measure was referred to committee.

MIGHTY AIRPLANE ENGINE IS EVOLVED

Best U. S. Engineers Pool Trade Secrets.

"LIBERTY MOTOR" IS RESULT

Greatest Device of Kind Perfected in Few Weeks.

ALLIED EXPERTS GIVE AID

War Department Puts Main Reliance in New Invention in Plans to Overwhelm Germans—Rapid Production Is Promised.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The Liberty motor, the airplane engine upon which the United States is relying to establish definite air supremacy over the Germans over the battlefields of France, has passed its final test and is a complete and gratifying success, Secretary Baker announced today.

In a 1500-word announcement, Secretary Baker told how all the best brains and business of American motordom had contributed its secrets and achievements to the government to produce the Liberty motor, which is to carry the thousands of American airplanes over Germany.

Motor Is Main Reliance.

"Probably the war has produced no greater single achievement," the statement says, and relates for the first time the story of the design and construction of the new motor which has added a thrilling chapter to American engineering records.

Secretary Baker says the motor is "now the main reliance of the United States in the rapid production in large numbers of high-power battle planes for service in the war."

"In power, speed and serviceability and minimum weight," he continues, "the new engine invites comparison with the best the European war has produced. The engine was brought about through the co-operation of more than a score of engineers, who pooled their skill and trade secrets in the war emergency."

Deliveries Expected Soon.

For obvious reasons, specifications of the motor, details of its performance under test and arrangements made for its production in quantity are withheld. In conclusion, however, Mr. Baker says:

"Progress has already been made toward organizing the industry for the manufacture of the new machines and deliveries will begin in a comparatively short time."

Secretary Baker's statement follows: "The United States aviator engine" has passed its final tests. They were successful and gratifying. The new motor, designated by the Signal Service as the "Liberty Motor," is now the main reliance of the United States in the rapid production in large numbers

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DIVERS' VICTIMS LEAST IN MONTHS

ENGLAND REPORTS LOSS OF 12 LARGE SHIPS IN WEEK.

France Loses One Craft of More Than 1600 Tons—Three Unsuccessful Attacks Made.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—A marked decrease in the destruction of British merchant vessels by mines or submarines is indicated in the weekly Admiralty statement issued this evening. Twelve vessels of more than 1600 tons and six of less than 1600 tons were sent to the bottom, as compared with 20 in the large and three in the small category sunk the previous week.

Tonight's statement shows that four fishing vessels also were lost. The summary:

Arrivals, 2744 sailings, 2868.

British merchant vessels sunk by mine or submarine, of over 1600 tons, including one previously, 12; under 1600 tons, including one previously, 6.

British merchant vessels attacked unsuccessfully, including three previously, 12.

British fishing vessels sunk, 4.

The foregoing Admiralty statement shows the smallest number of large British vessels sunk by mines or submarines since Germany last February began her intensified submarine campaign. The previous low record was for the week of March 11, when 13 vessels of more than 1600 tons were lost.

PARIS, Sept. 12.—The statement of the Ministry of Marine, issued this evening, shows that for the week ending September 9 one French vessel of more than 1600 tons and five vessels under 1600 tons were sunk by mines or submarines. Two fishing craft also were sent to the bottom.

Unsuccessful attacks were made by hostile craft on three vessels.

BIBLE KEY TO FREEDOM

Shoplifter Disguises as Religious Worker and Leaves Jail.

SEATTLE, Sept. 12.—Mrs. Esther Sutherland, alias Rose Booser, convicted pickpocket and shoplifter, escaped from the City Jail today for the second time within five months. She seized a heavy veil, hat and Bible from the matron's desk and passed the jailer and jail elevator operator to freedom in the guise of a church worker leaving after an errand of mercy.

She was arrested April 27 on the charge of shoplifting, and a few minutes later effected her escape from the city hospital by falling in a pretended faint and slipping away before a nurse could return from the doctor's office.

LAFFERTY OUT OF SERVICE

Department Announces Honorable Discharge of ex-Representative.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Sept. 12.—The War Department today announced the honorable discharge from the Army of Major Abraham W. Lafferty, Officers' Reserve Corps, along with several other reserve officers of lower grade.

Lafferty's name appeared on a list of those who "failed to demonstrate affirmatively that they possessed the fitness and efficiency necessary in an officer, or as not possessing qualifications that merit a place for them in any of the various lists of men recommended for commands."

A FIGHT ON TO REFORM THE RUSSIAN ARMY.



\$500,000 BLOCK OF ROAD BONDS SOLD

Salem Bank Pays More Than for Last Issue.

STATE'S CREDIT RATES HIGH

Route of Columbia River Highway Chosen by Commission.

ROAD TOUCHES ST. HELENS

West Side Route Selected Because It Is More Direct and Eliminates Thirteen Grade Crossings. Gilliam to Levy Tax.

The second block of \$500,000 of the state's \$4,000,000 issue of highway bonds was sold yesterday by the State Highway Commission at a meeting in Portland for \$50 more than the first block of the same amount brought a few weeks ago.

The Capital National Bank, of Salem, bidding for E. H. Rollins & Sons and the National City Company, of New York, got the bonds sold yesterday on its bid of \$472,130. This was on a basis of \$4.426 and accrued interest. The bonds, on this basis, will return the equivalent of 4 1/2 per cent interest.

First Block Sells for \$471,300.

For the first block of \$500,000 of the bonds, also sold through the Capital National Bank, of Salem, \$471,300 was received by the commission.

There were four bids yesterday for the entire \$500,000 block, and one bid for \$25,000 worth of the bonds. The bids and bidders were as follows:

Capital National Bank, of Salem, for E. H. Rollins & Sons and the National City Company, of New York, \$472,130.

Lumbermen's Trust Company, of Portland, \$466,700.

Henry Teal, of Portland, \$465,500.

Harris Trust & Savings Company, of Chicago, and Clark, Kendall & Co., of Portland, \$453,000.

Price Considered Good.

Citizens' Bank, of Portland, \$25,000 worth of bonds at 4 1/2 per cent. Considering the state of the bond market, and particularly in view of the fact that a new liberty loan bond issue will soon be made, probably at 4 per cent interest, the Commission was greatly pleased to be able to sell the second \$500,000 block of its bonds at a higher figure than was obtained for the first block.

"It shows the strength of Oregon's securities in the bond market," was the comment of Chairman Benson.

The Commission at its meeting yesterday, which was a brief one, transacted some important business.

Highway Route Chosen.

It decided the important question of the location of the Columbia River Highway in Columbia County near St. Helens by voting that it shall follow the so-called west side route. This route will carry the highway through

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RELIEF IMPERATIVE, GAS COMPANY SAYS

SECOND PETITION URGES AN EARLY RULING.

Four Hundred Thousand Dollar Loss for Four Years' Operation Is Estimated.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The Portland Gas & Coke Company, in a document filed with the Public Service Commission today, supplementary to its petition of yesterday asking for changes in the Commission's orders as to meter testing and the constituent parts of the gas served consumers, declares that if prompt relief is not afforded as asked in the petition that it will be unable further to render the service that the public demands.

The company contends that it has lost approximately \$400,000 in the last four years, and that from 1914 to the end of 1917 its operating income will show a decrease of \$320,458.78. Of this amount 1917 will show a decrease of approximately \$124,000.

The company asserts that taxes, labor and material costs are increasing and that its present system of testing meters every five years is a useless expense.

It was intimated by one of the Commissioners today that the company will be compelled to lay before the Commission all of available data as to its operations.

EIGHT CHOSEN FOR COOKS

Coast Artillery Men Will Attend Culinary School.

FORT STEVENS, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Eight Coast Artillerymen were selected upon recommendation of their commanding officers to attend the school for cooks and bakers at San Francisco, Cal. All will become sergeants after graduation.

The men will be allowed ration money of \$1.50 per day besides their transportation. All must report by September 15. Men selected were: Privates Jean Condon, Second Company, Eugene; Elmer Peachy, Third Company, Eugene; Byron Petty, Fourth Company, Roseburg; Clarence E. Terrill, Eighth Company, Portland; Walter Anderson, Ninth Company, Astoria; Chester Mills, Tenth Company, Tillamook; Otto Horn, Twelfth Company, Hood River, and Paul C. Dawson, unassigned.

PRESIDENT ON YACHT TRIP

Luncheon Given Mr. and Mrs. Wilson at Old Lyme, Connecticut.

OLD LYME, Conn., Sept. 12.—President Wilson's yacht Mayflower anchored off Old Lyme today and the President and Mrs. Wilson came ashore and took luncheon at the home of Miss Florence Griswold.

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METHODISTS PLAN \$40,000 MISSION

Old Taylor-Street Edifice to Be Razed.

BUILDING IS LONG NEEDED

Denominational Center, to Be Provided; Work Rushed.

STORES ON FIRST FLOOR

Upper Story of New Brick Structure Will Be Used for Church Purposes Only, Meeting Demands of Donors of Site.

A \$40,000 building around which Portland Methodism may center in carrying forward its varied forms of important work, two stories in height and of brick, is to be erected on the site of the old Taylor-street edifice. Third and Taylor streets, as soon as the present structure is torn down. A permit to wreck it was issued at the City Hall yesterday.

There is more than practical business involved in this action, although this is given as the reason for tearing down the oldest church building in Portland.

City Mission Arranged For.

The trustees of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of which Dr. Joshua Stansfield is the pastor, intend to provide in the second story of the new structure ample room for a city mission—something the Methodists of Portland have never had—and also a place for the local depot of the Book Concern, the publishing house; the Pacific Christian Advocate and other interests.

It is proposed by the First Church trustees to erect this building so that it will become not only a center around which Methodism may work, but also a profitable plant.

Stores on First Floor.

On the first floor it is planned to rent stores, while the upper story will be used exclusively for church purposes, thereby fulfilling the requirements of the donors of the property that it shall be so utilized.

The present building was erected in 1857, it being the second one put up by the property by pioneer Methodists. It had been used continuously by the congregation known as Taylor-street, and as such had a reputation throughout the entire world of Methodism.

Some Refuse to Move.

When it was decided to close this edifice and consolidate the membership with Old Church, Third and Taylor streets, about 400 men and women declined to accept the order, which was promulgated with the approval of Richard J. Cooke, then resident bishop of Oregon.

Other members accepted the situation gracefully and united with what was then officially recognized as the First Methodist Episcopal Church; still others, not wishing so to affiliate, took the opportunity to transfer their membership into local or community churches.

Bishop's Act Sustained.

Under the leadership of the laymen who remained with the old Taylor-street, every disciplinary provision of the church was called into requisition in an effort to bring about a rehabilitation of the property as an organized society, but without avail, as the General Conference has ruled.

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TOBACCO CHEERS SOLDIERS.

The Oregonian's tobacco and Cigarette fund for American soldiers in France is now \$822.50. That sum will supply a big packet of smokes for each of 2490 men, which is just a few more than are at present in the Third Oregon.

Oregon has more than 6000 men in the Army. It looks as if the state ought to furnish enough tobacco and cigarettes to equal at least the number of Oregon troops in the Army.

Every quarter sent to the Oregonian's fund means that one more soldier in France will be made happy by receiving a big packet containing cigarettes and tobacco that would cost 45 cents at retail. More than that, receipt of each packet will be acknowledged by the recipient by means of a stamped and addressed postcard contained in each packet.

Smokes are one of the great needs of men in the front-line trenches. Without cigarettes and tobacco, the gloomy side of life is uppermost, indeed. But give him a cigarette or an old pipe full of tobacco well alight and the soldier will brighten up immediately, and feel like another man.

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