

MINNIE DECHMANN PORTLAND

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FATHER ALSO ARRESTED

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Miss Augusta Minnie Dechmann, arrested in Salt Lake Thursday as the writer of a note showing an attempt to free from the Fort Douglas internment camp Alvin von Alvensleben, former British Columbia financial agent for the Kaiser, was formerly a Portland girl.

Portland acquaintances yesterday called this fact to mind. They also brought to light the fact that "Dr." Louis Dechmann, father of Miss Dechmann and former Portlander, was arrested 10 days ago in Seattle as a German spy suspect.

"Dr." Dechmann is recalled as having operated here as a "doctor" in poultry and floral culture until about six or seven years ago. He was notorious when he claimed to have discovered processes by which he could impart medicinal properties to eggs by feeding hens on certain elements and could grow roses of specified colors by fertilizing them with secret chemicals.

Soon after his poultry venture near Greenham, Or., failed, entailing losses of the fellow-countryman who had advanced several thousand dollars to equip him, Dechmann moved to Seattle. There he established a health resort and assumed the title of "doctor," claiming to be a healer. Until recently he has been visiting Portland regularly, the acquaintances say, to "treat" patients here.

Little is known here regarding the arrest of Dechmann at Seattle other than that he is accused of having maps and secret information of value to the enemy in his possession.

Miss Dechmann, who was a girl of about 17 when the family left Portland, is charged at Salt Lake with participation in a plot with Rev. B. Henry Leemann, also arrested, to free from internment several notorious alien enemies, including her fiancé, Ernest A. Leybold.

LOVE, NOT MARS, HER GUIDE

Miss Dechmann Sobbs Out Story of In-
sultation for Interned German.

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 14.—Sobbing that it was need for money which caused her to attempt to communicate with Ernest A. Leybold, interned German civilian, Portlander, who she believed, could help her obtain funds from a Seattle man, Miss Minnie Dechmann, arrested yesterday for alleged violation of the espionage act, told her story today.

Miss Dechmann said that she was in love with Leybold.

"Everyone in this country is against me and believes me to be a traitor," she said. "I met Leybold in Seattle. Ask any girl in love for the first time if she would not follow the man of her choice even to prison. I am not a spy and have not tried to harm anyone or anything. I left Germany for Canada, and when the war started I fled to the United States."

Both Rev. B. Henry Leemann, who was arrested Sunday night at the war prison camp, charged with trying to smuggle a note to the interned German enemy, and Miss Dechmann are still in jail in default of \$2500 bail each.

GIRL UNIVERSITY STUDENT

Conflicting Stories Told to Acquaintances
in Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 14.—Augusta Minnie Dechmann was a special student at the University of Washington, 1915-17, being employed meanwhile in the home of Bernard Leinberger, a salmon cannery, as a governess.

Little is known of her, and apparently she told conflicting stories to acquaintances in this city. To her employer she said that she had previously lived in Victoria, B. C., and that she had been interned there at the beginning of the war, being released just prior to coming to this country. To others she said that she left Canada because of her fear that she would be interned, as many of her friends were being interned.

To one of the professors of the university she said that although her sister was married to a British army officer, she found it so unpleasant in British Columbia that she had to get out. When war discussions came up in classes at the university she held stoutly to pronounced pro-German views.

After the close of the school year, she was much in the company of Ernest A. Leybold and after the arrest of Leybold and three other German aliens, she haunted the Federal building in an effort to get in communication with Leybold, to whom she told the District Attorney she was engaged. During this time the girl was under surveillance by Federal agents and one of them reported that he had overheard her say that her story of an engagement was a joke.

After the four Germans had been ordered interned at the Fort Douglas camp, Miss Dechmann left here, telling friends that she was going to Salt Lake to enter a university. At the university Miss Dechmann through business dealings with Leybold, and that he had received letters from her since her departure from Seattle, these letters relating to Leinberger's efforts to sell some land belonging to Leybold.

NO TIME TO STRIKE NOW

(Continued From First Page.)

Will this paralyzing of the life line between us and the western world to go on?

"Will you take my friendly suggestion and go back to work at once? The machinery for dealing with all your demands and with the right of labor is at hand."

"You will be well advised to follow the methods of well-managed and patriotic labor organizations, at least until you have learned whether or not your government, for which as shipbuilders you now are working, can be fair."

"I advise you to end the paralyzing of the shipyard work now. I am sure

you would not deliberately imperil the lives and safety of our brave fellow-citizens."

"I am sure you believe with me that those whose sons are now giving their blood that you and I and our children may be safe and free will not long permit either you or me to invite destruction of heroic lives and disaster to a great world cause."

BALTIMORE, Feb. 14.—Government shipbuilders this morning seriously hampered today by strikes of carpenters in the shipbuilding plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company at Sparrows Point and the Baltimore Drydock & Shipbuilding Company. Two hundred men at each place failed to report for work.

While the strike leaders refused to discuss the matter, a local Federation of Labor official conversant with the situation said the trouble arose over the question of wages. The men have been drawing from \$8 to \$14 cents an hour and they demand more—just how much is not known, but it is understood that they want the same wages as are being paid on the Pacific Coast. There, it is said, carpenters and joiners make 60 cents an hour.

RAILROAD WAGE HEARING ENDS

Representatives of Stewards and
Dispatchers Present Claims.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Representatives of unions and unorganized labor who asked to present reasons for increasing pay to the Railroad Wage Commission completed their testimony today and the commission adjourned subject to the call of the chairman, Secretary Lusk.

Protests against the presence of railroad officials regarded as hostile to the four great brotherhoods were made by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Railway and Mechanical Engineers when they appeared before the commission.

It was explained then that the commission was seeking all possible information from the railroad men, and probably will be among the next witnesses.

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DIPLomat IS MOURNED

WASHINGTON SHOCKED AT DEATH
OF SIR CECIL SPRING-RICE.

Funeral of Ex-Ambassador to United
States Will Take Place at
Ottawa Tomorrow.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 14.—Funeral services for Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, until recently British Ambassador to the United States, will be held in St. Bartholomew's Church here Saturday afternoon. Burial will be in Beachwood Cemetery, Ottawa.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Diplomatic Washington was shocked today by the news of the sudden death in Ottawa, of Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, who had retired after nearly five years' service as British Ambassador to the United States, early last month in favor of Lord Balfour.

Although it had been known that Sir Cecil had desired for a long time before his retirement was announced, to be relieved of his heavy duties in charge of the Embassy, no intimation was given when he left Washington that he was in ill health. However, officials here pointed out that he had been under tremendous strain from the responsibilities devolving upon him, especially during the negotiations on the operation of the British blockade before the United States entered the war.

It was known Sir Cecil tendered his resignation during the visit here of Arthur Balfour, to take effect at the convenience of the Foreign Office. His retirement was announced from London January 2 in connection with a resignation of his post as ambassador to the United States.

Sir Cecil became British Ambassador here May 6, 1913. He was born in 1859. He came to Washington first as third assistant secretary of the Embassy in 1884. After service in Brazil, Mexico and Tokyo he was again transferred to Washington in 1903. He was successively Charge d'Affaires and Minister to Peru from 1906 to 1908. He then became Minister to Sweden and left Stockholm to accept the Ambassadorship here. His earlier services here were prominent during the crisis of Lord Pauncefote. He was created K. C. M. G. in 1906.

SCHOOL CHILDREN HELP

DOMESTIC SCIENCE TEACHING EN-
COURAGES HOME ECONOMY.

Work Being Done Under Supervision of
Miss Groves Lightens Burden of
Food Authorities.

Acting in accord with the Food Administration, the domestic science department of the school system, under the supervision of Miss Groves, is lightening the burden of the local food authorities by encouraging the use of substitutes for what in bread, cakes and other foodstuffs are expensive. The department publishes a recipe for some new dish, which recipe the pupils, one and all, copy and take home. Housewives benefit by the experience of the school children, and are able to conserve.

For the further benefit of those who preside over the kitchen, the exhibits are being shown from time to time in the libraries of the city, and graphic illustrations of the possibilities in substitution of ingredients and introduction of hitherto unfamiliar products are shown. Instructors are assisted by their pupils in preparing these exhibits, which are being shown for the guidance of housewives and can be seen at the Central Library and many of the branches.

MARCH 4 IS FATAL DAY

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
TO DISMISS DORMANT CASES.

Interested Litigants Have Privilege of
Reviving Actions Before Court
Closes Rolls.

Monday, March 4, will be a busy day in the United States District Court. On that day, the docket of all pending cases until, and including February 3, will be called. The total number of these cases, according to the docket arranged by District Court Clerk Marsh yesterday, is 235. This docket will be called by order of Federal Judge Bean on the first Monday in March, when all cases now pending before the court, in which nothing has been done in the last year,

SENATOR JAMES SPEAKS FOR WILSON

Reply Made to Criticism of
Administration's Conduct
of War Affairs.

COMFORT TO Foe CHARGED

By Implication, Blame for Failure
of Strikes in Central Empires
Is Attributed to Address
of Chamberlain.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—With a broad suggestion that Senator Chamberlain's much-discussed New York speech, in which he charged that the American military machine had completely broken down, might have been the cause of the failure of the recent strike disturbances in Germany and Austria, by giving the enemy new heart and hopes of victory, Senator James, of Kentucky, today in the Senate spoke at length in defense of the Administration's war accomplishments.

Senator James' speech reopened the war discussion, which promises to be a long one for several days with Republicans leading the attack and Democrats making defense.

Comfort to Enemy Alleged.

Senator Chamberlain's speech, James declared, was unjustified by the facts, and of great comfort to the enemy.

"Who can measure the mighty force of this intemperance in the hands of the Kaiser?" he asked, stating that it probably was a mistake to say that the papers as responsible, coming from the chairman of the military committee.

"Of course, I know he did not intend that to hurt the effort, but in just pointing out the danger of such utterances, let's see if they are warranted. I will undertake to prove they are not."

"Of course, America has made mistakes," he declared.

Army Accomplishments Reviewed.

Senator James reviewed at length the accomplishments of the army, the quick passage of the draft law and the registration of 10,000,000 men, their mobilization and equipment, and said that, whereas the French only had asked for 20,000 troops at the beginning, he had now sent the French people, "more than 100,000."

"How has a military establishment fallen down that can do work like that?" he demanded.

"No," he shouted at Senator Chamberlain, "the departments have not ceased functioning."

Root's Mission Revisited.

In passing, Senator James referred to former Senator Root's visit to Russia in the attempt to hasten her aid to the allies. The mission had failed, he said, but it was not Mr. Root's fault. "But had Mr. Bryan been sent on that mission," he declared, "how this chamber would have resounded with criticism."

Senator James reviewed with praise the work of the Navy. One of the demonstrations of the Navy's efficiency, he said, was the repairing of the damaged German and Austrian ships.

The captain of the Vaterland said he would take off his hat to the Americans if they could put the vessel into operation again. That ship has carried 10,000 tons of food.

Kaiser Must Hand Over Sword.

"As we made the captain of the Vaterland take off his hat, so we are going to make the Kaiser hand over his sword. America has not fallen down."

In concluding, Senator James said: "In a time like this we need a united American people back of the commander-in-chief of the Army and Navy of this land."

"President Wilson walks the tight rope—it stretches across the sea with its wrecks and debris; he has in his hands the richest treasure ever lodged in the keeping of one man. That treasure is our very life, our liberty, our institutions; our homes, our firesides; our all."

Co-operation Plea Made.

"Let me plead with you; let me plead with all Americans, do not shake the rope. Do not badger him; do not heckle him. Do not annoy him. He will make a safe journey, the Kaiser will be of blood and peril. Hold your tongues; keep silence."

SINKING'S CAUSE FIXED

BRITISH DETERMINE THAT TOR-
PEDO HIT TUSCANIA.

Secretary of Admiralty Announces in
Commons That System of Con-
voy Is Satisfactory.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—Thomas J. Macnamara, secretary to the Admiralty, announced in the House of Commons today that it had been established that the steamer Tuscania was torpedoed.

He added that the Admiralty was satisfied with the system of convoy.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Further rechecking of the Tuscania's death, missing and survivors' lists today disclosed that Private Otto Ray, of Coleman, Tex., reported yesterday as having been buried on the Scottish Coast in a trench with 18 other victims previously had been reported to the War Department as a survivor. When the name was received yesterday it was thought to have been garbled in cable transmission and believed to refer to Private Otto Mowrey, of Kenosha, Wis., whose name now is restored to the list of those not yet accounted for.

PASTOR FOUND GUILTY

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DENVER, Feb. 14.—The Rev. Charles W. Huffman, formerly pastor in New Palestine, Ohio, today was found guilty in the United States District Court here on a charge of violating the Mann act.

Miss Gladys M. Oberlander, 18 years old, former member of Huffman's church, testified against him. Huffman announced he would appeal.

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Dudley G. Wooten, ex-Representative from Texas, now a resident of Seattle, will deliver the address at the St. Patrick's day entertainment to be given under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Hibernians at the Auditorium. A high-grade musical programme is being arranged.

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will be dismissed unless revived by the interested litigants.

It is singular that the most ancient of the pending cases is one in which the United States Government is plaintiff. This was in the nature of a civil suit brought by the United States Attorney against Samuel J. Giddens, sureties for a defaulting postmaster, to recover the amount of his delinquency. It was instituted in 1895 but was never brought to trial for the reason that the defendants were not located and legally served, although two attempts at service were made.

The docket includes one case filed in 1892 and three in 1902, but the others are of more recent origin, although the great majority of the large number have lain dormant in the court files for much longer than the last 12 months. The plan of Judge Bean in directing that a docket of all pending cases be arranged for disposition on the date designated was to enable him to clear up the court records and finally dispose of cases that have been abandoned, settled out of court, or for other reasons, will not be brought to trial.

DINWOODIE IS IN RACE

WOODBURN FARMER WOULD
SERVE IN LEGISLATURE.

Candidacy for Republican Nomination
for Representative From First
District Announced.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—John Dinwoodie, a farmer living near Woodburn, today made formal announcement of his candidacy for the Republican nomination for Representative in the Legislature from the First District, which comprises Marion County.

Mr. Dinwoodie has been a farmer and stockholder practically all his life. He was raised on a farm in Scotland, came to the United States in 1882, where he homesteaded first in Dakota Territory, farming his homestead and later in Oregon, where he purchased a farm in Marion County, where he has since been engaged in farming and dairying.

While never having been a candidate for office before, Mr. Dinwoodie has taken a keen interest in matters pertaining to the public welfare. He says that he understands the needs of farmers and laboring men, and if nominated and elected will work for constructive legislation. He says it will be his effort to work for the amendment of defective laws, and the repeal of laws found obsolete or impracticable. "Unenforced laws," he says, "breed contempt for all laws. Enforcement and reform are the watchwords."

PROGRAMME IS PATRIOTIC

Washington Celebrates Lincoln's
Birth and Boosts Campaigns.

WASHINGTON, Wash., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—To celebrate Lincoln's birthday the local public schools Tuesday afternoon held an extensive programme, including the Junior Red Cross and thrift stamp campaigns.

Aside from the exercises by pupils, short talks were made by Superintendent Ferrin and James H. Jack, of the school; E. D. Clapp, of the bank, and L. F. Russell, of the School Board.

Representatives from the different departments of the senior Red Cross organization displayed work from their respective divisions and a particularly interesting feature of the programme was a patriotic song and flag salute by the Boy Scouts.

Of \$60 to be raised for the Junior campaign of Red Cross here \$45 has already been received by personal subscription. The campaign closes on February 22.

POLICE 'MUSHERS' DUE SOON

Men Who Took Mail From Dawson
to Ft. McPherson Expected Back.

DAWSON, Y. T., Feb. 14.—Royal Northwest Mounted Police who left here with dog teams on trial in the Circuit Court Monday for the alleged embezzlement of \$5000 in liberty bonds from the Northwestern National Bank, where he was employed as a bank teller, are expected back here in a few days.

At the time he is alleged to have stolen the bonds it was stated that he had stolen \$15,000, although the exact amount of his alleged theft has never been made public. He also faces a Federal charge for the same offense. He has been held in the County Jail since his arrest in default of \$15,000 bail bond.

EMBEZZLEMENT OF \$5000 IN LIBERTY BONDS IS CHARGE MADE.

Clyde J. (Red) Rupert, well-known Portland athlete and former policeman, is accused of embezzling \$5000 in liberty bonds from the Northwestern National Bank, where he was employed as a bank teller, are expected back here in a few days.

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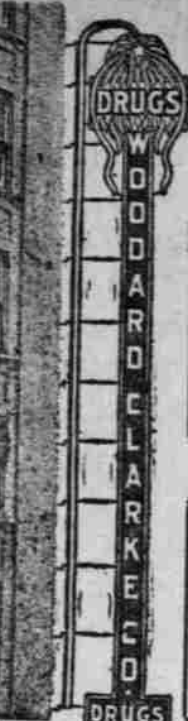
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Soap Kewpie, absolutely pure, 10¢
\$2.00 Pyralin Ivory Hair **\$1.49**
Brush... **.25¢**
Ambre Royal Face Powder **\$2.25**
Oryane Face Powder... **\$1.25**
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25¢ Woodbury's Soap... **.22¢**
50¢ Javan Rice Powder... **.39¢**
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Administrators Ayer Fixes Re-
tail Poultry Price.

UNDUE PROFITS HIT HARD

Dealers Who Intended to Cash in
Heavily on Cold Storage Hold-
ings Find Themselves in Bad
Situation Due to Order.

Poultry profiteering "got the ax," while the poultry itself is more generally to escape the chopping block as the result of emergency orders issued yesterday by the Federal Food Administration, W. L. Ayer.

The blow which amputated present and possible profits on storage poultry descended with the well-known dull thud when the administrator announced the definite, fixed retail price of 30 cents per pound.

Huckster Turns Near Profit.

Only yesterday had filtered in the report that a huckster had collected \$2 cents a pound for poultry bought in a Yamhill-street market at 28 cents.

The ban on the killing of hens and pullets between now and April 30 was made all but absolute when the administrator announced that every dealer who sells to hotels, restaurants or eating-houses must immediately take out a license. As licensees they can try, other than the supply furnished by the superfluous rooster.

Mr. Ayer's price-fixing order is the most drastic yet put into effect by the Federal Food Administration. No concealment of the fact that it is to protect the consumer as well as the stock of egg-layers is made. It is a direct thrust at larger concerns which have thought to reap handsome returns on cold-storage poultry meats.

Farmer Is Appealed To.

The administrator's order conveys an appeal to the farmer and poultryman. "I wish that the farmers and other producers of poultry would realize that the recent order of the Food Administration prohibiting the licensees from handling hens and pullets until April 30, was put into effect for the ultimate benefit of the Nation as a whole during war time, and while the bill passed by Congress does not give the

MRS. HARRIET HALD DIES

Hood River Pioneer, 87 Years of
Age, Crossed Plains at Age of 16.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 14.—Aged 87, Mrs. Harriet Hald, widow of the late Henry E. Hald, well-known Hood River War veteran, died today at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Hull.

Mrs. Hald at the age of 16 crossed the plains with her parents, settling in Oregon City.

Mrs. Hald is survived by five other daughters, Mrs. Harriet G. McCoy, of Bellevue, Idaho; Mrs. Emma C. Tate, of Baker; Mrs. Helen Edmondson, of The Dalles; Mrs. Nettie Hamilton, of Odessa, Wash.; and Mrs. Zora Dimmick, of Hood River. Thirty-seven grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren survive.

CLARKE COUNTY BOYS SAFE.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Word that Charles L. Hall, son of J. S. Hall, of Salmon Creek, is among those rescued from the Tuscania has been received here, making the list complete so far as Clarke County boys are concerned. Donald Elliott, who enlists in the United States Army, is none from this county was fatally injured or lost.

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