

MRS. CUMMINGS DECLARES LOYALTY

Linn Educator Denies She Ever
Made Intentional Unpatriotic
Statements.

TALK EXPLAINED IN FULL

Woman Admits That She May Have
Been Indiscreet in Her Remarks,
But Says Report of Her Ad-
dress Is Not True.

Absolute denial that she ever made intentionally an unpatriotic or disloyal statement is voiced by Mrs. Ida M. Cummings, County School Superintendent of Linn County, in response to charges made against her by Milton A. Miller, United States Collector of Internal Revenue. Mrs. Cummings, who came to Portland yesterday, admits, however, that she may have been indiscreet in her remarks and that a mistaken construction may have arisen from this source alone.

It all happened when Mr. Miller, bent on paying a visit to his old home school district, at Rockhill, near Lebanon, heard Mrs. Cummings make a speech to the assembled children and school patrons. Later he reported to John K. Kollock, of the State Council of Defense, the remarks to which he took exception, and an investigation was launched.

Mr. Kollock advised Mrs. Cummings that he had been informed that she said "that the Kaiser should not be blamed for what had occurred; that we should not find fault with the German people; and that the real enemies of the country were the profiteers in food products and munitions."

Copy of Address Convinced.
Mrs. Cummings, who asserts that her loyalty has never been under question, and that she has been foremost in every form of patriotic work, declares that the report of her remarks has been warped in the telling. In evidence she submits a typewritten copy of the speech in question, prepared previous to the meeting, quoting this paragraph as that to which Mr. Miller referred:

"We should not blame the Kaiser too much for beginning the war. He has always had all he wanted. How does he know he can't have the whole world, until Uncle Sam and the allies show him that he can't? All the Kaisers are not in Germany. Many of our American boys have learned to play marbles for keeps, and when they grow to be men they play money for keeps, and some seem not to know when they have had enough."

Mrs. Cummings declares that she had no other thought in making this remark, than to impress upon her hearers the evil of greed and contends that her meaning should have been plain to all. Later in the copy of her speech she elaborates this view by the statement:

False Report Decried
"If all the speculators and I. W. W.'s were put on a boat and taken half way to Germany and left to walk the other half we could soon see this war."

Letters received by Mrs. Cummings from State Superintendent Churchill, from Governor Withycombe, and others, express amazement at the charges, and affirm their belief in her loyalty, while counseling her to be more discreet and exact in her future statements.

"In my address at Rockhill," said Mrs. Cummings yesterday, "it is claimed that I did not blame the Kaiser as I should have done, and that I inferred that boys who played marbles for 'keeps' were like the Kaiser. It was an illustration of what selfishness would lead to that I made use of, and I intended to convey my belief that playing games for 'keeps' led to a spirit of gambling and profiteering, which I condemn."

"It has never been my intention at any time to express a sentiment other than of loyalty to the United States, and I much deplore that the language used in my address has been misconstrued. Any person who places upon my remarks imputing the slightest disloyalty is based upon a misapprehension of the thought which I intended to convey."

CHURCH FREED OF DEBT

FIRST UNITED BRETHREN BURNS
MORTGAGE AT SUNDAY SERVICE.

Obligation of Organization Paid After
Two Years of Hard Work by Con-
gregation and Pastor.

First United Brethren Church yesterday burned its mortgage, having paid all its debts. The church will go to the annual conference this week in Vancouver with a clean slate.

For two years Rev. P. O. Bonebrake has been pastor of the church and has been working diligently, assisted by loyal members, to pay off all the old debts and get the church on a firm, free basis. Yesterday saw the accomplishment of this aim and there was great rejoicing in the congregation.

J. A. Henkle, president of the board of trustees, presided at the ceremony and accompanied by the board members marched to the front of the church and set a light to the mortgage.

ONE CAUSE OF BACKACHE
Many people think they have kidney trouble because they have backache, but more backache is caused by overstrained and undernourished muscles than by anything else, and such cases the blood needs building up.

Many rheumatic people suffer pains that could be avoided by building up the blood. When rheumatism is associated with thin blood the rheumatism cannot be cured to stay cured until the blood is built up.

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PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTION ON PRINEVILLE RAILROAD SHOWN BY PHOTOGRAPH.



Top, Track Laying in Progress. Below, Mayor D. F. Stewart (Left), of Prineville, and P. L. Gogerty, Superintendent of Construction, Standing by Train on Finished Portion of Track.

NEW LINE HASTENED

Railway to Prineville to Be
Finished by July 4.

CELEBRATION IS PLANNED

Portland Residents Earnestly Re-
quested to Come and Help in Ded-
icating New Road, Which Will
Give Outlet for Freight.

PRINEVILLE, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—Two miles of steel on the main-line track of the Prineville railway have been laid to date and the process of ballasting or tamping this part of the track was finished yesterday.

P. L. Gogerty, superintendent of construction, has a crew of 75 men on the job and more men are expected in a few days. There has been no difficulty in obtaining help, as was first expected.

The Crooked River bridge will be finished by the time the track is laid to that point and the track-laying will be rushed to completion.

Trains Soon to Operate.
As there is less than 18 miles of road to build between Prineville Junction and the city of Prineville, it is expected that trains will be running into Prineville by July 4.

Plans are under way for a celebration in Prineville to welcome the first train into Crook County. This road is being built by the city of Prineville, and has been made possible by the untiring efforts of her citizens, the City Council and Mayor D. F. Stewart.

McAdoo Approves Road.
Crook is one of the richest counties in the state in timber, agriculture and livestock industries and the railroad that is being constructed was considered a necessity to handle the immense amount of freight shipped to Portland. The road was built with the approval of W. G. McAdoo.

The people of Prineville invite and urgently request citizens of Portland to come to Prineville on the first train and help celebrate this momentous event.

ITALY ESPouses RIGHT

Former Allies Abandoned For
SAKE OF JUSTICE.

Nation Is Fighting to Help Save Civil-
ization, Declares Madame Ara-
bella Angelini.

Madame Arabella Angelini, whose husband is an officer in the Italian army, gave an interesting address yesterday morning from the chancel of Trinity Episcopal Church on the subject "The Part Italy Has Taken in the War Up to the Present Time."

Connected with the Protestant church of the Waldenses in Italy, Madame Angelini gave a short history of that religious sect. The name Waldenses was given to the followers of Peter Waldo, or Valdesius, a wealthy merchant of Lyons, France, in the latter half of the twelfth century. Waldo gave all his money to the poor and was instrumental in having portions of the Bible translated from Latin into the vernacular. The Waldenses were censured by the Catholic church, and for safety they fled from Lyons to Dauphine and also Piedmont, Italy. Since then, their career has been a tempestuous one.

Madame Angelini said the Waldenses have not been favored by prosperity, either in France or Italy, and that they had always lived for righteousness. She then sketched the careers of the great Lyons of note, among them being Marconi, the inventor of wireless telegraphy, and showed generally the debt that the world owes to Italy.

"Italy parted company gladly from her late allies, Germany and Austria, to help save civilization," said the

speaker. "Italy was tempted to remain with German iniquity by the promises of cessation of Trieste and other ports, but Italy held steadfast to the cause of right. If Italy had remained the friend of Austria, Germany could at her leisure have crushed France and England. Then Germany could have crushed America. Italy has suffered much from hunger in the interval. We talk of meatless days in this country, but poor Italy has had and is having meatless and breadless months, until the health of many of the young people is affected to the point of anaemia."

Madame Angelini concluded with an appeal for funds for relief work among the poor in Italy.

SINGLE MEN DRINK LESS

Y. M. C. A. Finds Married Men Fre-
quent Saloons More.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., June 9.—Saloons do not attract young men between 17 and 24 years of age as they do older men, nor are single men so numerous as married men at the bar, according to a report submitted last night by C. C. Robinson, of New York, to the conference of the association of employed officers of the Young Men's Christian Association in session here.

Mr. Robinson headed a section on social influence that investigated the lure of the saloon.

Explaining the reasons for the conditions noted, Mr. Robinson said: "This is partially attributed to the higher idealism of the young men and also to the fact that unmarried men spend a good deal of time in the company of their sweethearts. The saloon seems to be most popular in the years between 35 and 45, the dull drag years of middle age."

U-BOAT RAIDS CRITICISED

Berlin Correspondent Fears United
States May Be Made Angry.

LONDON, June 9.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says that the policy followed by the United States in regard to the American coast has critics in Germany.

This attitude is revealed in a telegram from Berlin to the Cologne Gazette in which the newspaper's correspondent believes it necessary to comment on the policy of the United States in this particular submarine campaign. These objections, he assumes, are based on the view that the war spirit and fury of the Americans are likely to be increased by such raids.

PRAYER FOR SOLDIERS AIM

Churches of Christ Urge Mobiliza-
tion of American Women.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—An effort to mobilize legions of women to maintain a continuous prayer for American victory in war and for protection of American soldiers is being made by the National Prayer for Mothers and Defenders of Democracy with the approval of Cardinal Gibbons and of Dr. McFarland, secretary of the Council of Churches of Christ.

Each person joining will contribute one minute at an assigned hour in the day to silent prayer.

Lewis Registrants Chosen.
CHEHALIS, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—The 24 draft registrants for Lewis County who are to report June 24 at Camp Lewis have been chosen by the registration board as follows: Herman Solle, Thomas W. Stacey, Everett Clifton, Giuseppe Castiglione, Ellsworth Pearl, Alfred Peterson, Tony Berg, John H. McKenzie, Matthew Turkio, Oscar Rannan, Forrest Nicholas, Lewis E. Chessier, Herbert J. Scott, Claude Roney, William F. Blankenship, Olaf I. Lagreide, Leonard J. Santee, Henry Baxter, Theodore Ruppers, L. C. Corda, Emil Theissen, James F. Lee, Hennie S. Brunberg, Alonzo Willard.

Underwood Store Acquired.
HOOD RIVER, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—The Underwood Mercantile Company has been incorporated and has taken over the store of the D. G. Jackson Company, at Underwood, Wash. Incorporated are M. S. Smith, H. S. Adams and Dr. H. L. Geary. Both Mr. Smith and Mr. Adams have been engaged in mercantile business in the Skamania County district. Mr. Smith and Dr. Geary are owners of extensive orchard interests.

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GERMAN LIES SOWN WIDE

GREATER RUSSIA AGAIN IS LAP-
SING INTO BARBARISM.

Russians Made to Believe That Cap-
italistic Desire to Exploit Them
Animates American Leaders.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—Armed intervention in Russia through Siberia or otherwise would be exceedingly difficult because of the hostility of the population and could not improve the allied military situation, Secretary Lansing was told yesterday by Dr. John S. Zlupas, of the Lithuanian central committee, who recently returned from a stay of nearly a year in Russia.

Dr. Zlupas, who called on Mr. Lansing to ask America's moral support for the small nationalities in Eastern Russia who are seeking to set up independent states, described greater Russia as a territory lapsing into barbarism under Bolshevik domination.

"When I sailed from San Francisco in 1917 to Russia, the ship carried 200 revolutionaries," Dr. Zlupas said, "and they have done their work so thoroughly, in conjunction with the Russian people, that the Russian people believe that a capitalistic desire to exploit their country animates American leaders, and that intervention would mean the enslavement of their population. Siberia will be hostile and only the Japanese could put sufficient force there to maintain themselves in military strength."

"Meanwhile greater Russia, suffering from famine and minor plagues of typhus, diphtheria and other diseases, is now as it was 1000 years ago, a barbarian land. The Bolsheviks, who are those of other races bordering the German empire, fearing both the Bolshevik and the autocratic power, are seeking the moral support of the United States in endeavor to establish themselves under modern forms of government into distinct nations."

Frank Miller, alien enemy, despite repeated warnings, carried his pitcher to the well once too often, and is now held on a Federal charge, under \$500 bail, with the prospect of a prolonged sojourn in an internment camp.

Arrested last night by Deputy Sheriff Hurlbert and Patrolmen Teeters and Phillips, of Lieutenant Thatcher's war emergency squad, Miller was turned over to the Federal authorities on the charge of having pleaded guilty to a violation of the state prohibition law, in disregard that it is not permitted alien enemies.

Of German birth, unnaturalized, 35 years old, Miller has long been known to the police, and believed to be a member of an illicit liquor clique known as "the big seven."

On May 15, in company with Frank Stone, Miller was arrested on a charge of having violated the prohibition law. He demanded a jury trial and the case was pending when his second arrest occurred.

On Friday he was taken into custody for another alleged violation of the liquor ban. Dickerer with the law, Miller secured a promise that the second charge against him would be dropped if he appeared in Municipal Court and pleaded guilty to the first, being assured a \$150 fine.

Saturday morning he appeared before Judge Rossmann and completed the contract. Within a few hours he had been arrested on the Federal charge by order of Chief Special Agent Byron, of the Department of Justice. He furnished the \$500 bail required, and is

now at liberty. A hearing will be given him today.

CENTRALIA WOMAN KILLED
Mrs. Flora Hill Victim of Auto Mis-
hap in Seattle.

CHEHALIS, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—Mrs. Flora Hill, wife of Professor D. S. Hill, commercial teacher in the Chehalis High School, was killed in an automobile accident in Seattle yesterday. Mrs. Hill was 43 years of age.

A few days ago, while Mr. and Mrs. Hill and two sons, Duke and Melvin, were in Seattle, the younger boy, Duke, was seized with appendicitis and was hurried to a hospital.

Yesterday, while on the way to the hospital, Mr. Hill's car collided with another, and Mrs. Hill was thrown onto the pavement, striking on her head and killing her instantly. Mr. Hill and other occupants of the car were badly bruised. Besides her husband, Mrs. Hill leaves a daughter, Miss Jewell Hill, and three young sons.

NEW DAM SITE TALKED OF

Construction Work on Rimrock Dam
Will Be Closed Down.

YAKIMA, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—Reclamation officials have taken advantage of the postponement of construction work on the Rimrock dam at McAllister's Meadows, to explore a second dam site a short distance below the one originally chosen. The change will not be made unless the second site is found to be the more desirable. It is 20 feet lower than the original site; but if it is used the dam will be made 20 feet higher, and reach the level originally planned, so that the amount of storage will not be changed.

The reclamation officials expect to close work at Rimrock in about 60 days, this move having been determined on because of war conditions.

COUNTY JOBS ARE SPURNED

Pierce Officials Petition Commis-
sioners for Rise in Pay.

TACOMA, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—County officials of Pierce county, being besieged now for positions by the fliers there is a sad lack of applicants to fill the places, for men and women can make more than the county pays its employees. So serious has the situation become that Pierce County officials will meet the Commissioners shortly and plead for higher wages.

County Assessor J. J. Cameron asked that all clerks being paid less than \$110 per month be increased 50 cents a day, and all over \$110 per month be given a flat raise of \$10 monthly.

"We cannot get intelligent persons to fill the places if you do not," he said.

RANCHER HURT IN CRASH
Camp Lewis Army Officer Collides
With Wagon on Road.

TACOMA, Wash., June 9.—(Special.)—Brigadier-General Harvey Moss, of the National Guard of Washington, while driving his automobile on the highway near Sumner, Wash., ran into a farm wagon driven by L. J. Orr, a rancher, smashing the wagon and injuring Orr.

Mr. Orr, who is about 80 years of age, drove his wheel-horse wagon directly in front of the automobile, witnesses say. His condition is serious.

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SOLDIER IN CITY TO PLAN FOR
TRAINING CAMP.

Head of University Military Depart-
ment and Professor F. S. Dunn
at Portland Hotel.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—Colonel John Leader, head of the University military department, left this evening for Portland to interview men interested in the summer training camp, to open on the campus June 24.

So many applications have come from members of the Home Guard and business and professional men of that city that it was thought advisable to send Colonel Leader in person to interview them and give whatever information was desired.

Colonel Leader, accompanied by Professor F. S. Dunn, will be at the Hotel Portland from 10 o'clock Monday morning until 6 in the afternoon, and if the interest shown warrants their remaining will be there in the evening. They will give all desired information regarding the camp and sign up any men desiring to enroll for the course.

Lieutenant Pershing Marries.
TOLEDO, O., June 9.—Lieutenant George M. Pershing, of Toledo, a nephew of Commander John J. Pershing, of the American forces in France, was married at the city hall here today to Miss Elsie Borchardt, a telephone operator.

Belgians Grateful to America.
WASHINGTON, June 9.—Mr. Gerard Cortman, the new Premier of Belgium, formally notifying Secretary Lansing of his appointment, expressed the profound gratefulness of the Belgian people for the aid given them by the United States and declared that the fact that American and Belgian soldiers now are fighting side by side is an "auspicious harbinger" of the fruitful relations of the two countries when peace comes.

University of Oregon Training Camp

OPENS JUNE 24

Colonel John Leader and Professor F. S. Dunn, of University of Oregon, will be at the Hotel Portland today, from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M., to give information to men who plan to take the course. REMEMBER, THE CAMP OPENS JUNE 24

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