

ARRESTS DISCLOSE WAR-ORDER FRAUDS

Raincoat Contracts Declared Tainted With Bribery and Conspiracy.

GOODS SAID TO BE ROTTEN

Officials and Employes of Manufacturing Concerns in Custody. Officers of Army Reported to Be Under Surveillance.

NEW YORK, July 22.—Extensive conspiracies involving bribery and graft in connection with Army contracts for rubber raincoats sent to soldiers in France were disclosed tonight by department of justice officials, simultaneously with the arrest of 17 officers and employes of 15 manufacturing companies in New York and Brooklyn.

They are charged with bribery, fraud or conspiracy. Quartermaster's Corps involved are under surveillance and probably will be arrested soon in Washington or other cities. Hundreds of thousands of dollars of raincoat contracts are tainted with fraud already uncovered by Department of Justice agents, and other disclosures affecting Army orders for clothing, soldiers' equipment, machinery and supplies, and involving arrests on criminal charges may be made soon, it was learned.

Some Colonels, Majors Suspected.

Most Army officers at whom the finger of suspicion points are of the lower rank, but a few of the ranks of Major and Colonel are said to be under investigation.

Direct bribery of unnamed Army officers who had charge of letting contracts or inspecting goods is charged against a number of those arrested to-night.

Among those arrested were:

- Felix Gould, a wealthy clothing manufacturer, who is charged with soliciting for other contractors and with seeking to solicit contracts under the Josephine Hygiene Co. System and Josephine Hygiene Co. System and Josephine Hygiene Co. System. Ralph Cohen of the Yorkshire Manufacturing Company. Ralph Rosenthal of Hanover & Rosenthal. Alfred Zettel of the Automobile Raincoat Company, Inc. Louis Fried S. Halpern of the Interborough Raincoat Company. Emily Channon of the Manchester Waterproof Coat Company. M. Halpern of the National Cement Company. Simon Harris of the Harris Raincoat House. Morris Lesser of Lesser & Stenge. Joseph Pines of the Pines Rubber Company. L. H. Yellin of the Eureka Rubber Manufacturing Company.

Frauds Long Investigated.

The round-up follows weeks of investigation by agents of the Department of Justice and War and Navy Departments. The arrests are an outgrowth of the Government's campaign against the illegal system by which scores of agents have obtained contracts on a contingent fee basis.

Department of Justice officials tonight declared that many of the rubber coats furnished by contractors charged with fraud were reported unsatisfactory by General Pershing.

Investigation of the frauds, it was said, that through the bribery of inspectors rotten cloth and rotten rubber were used for the coats, dimensions were scattered than specifications, and seams were not cemented properly. A few rain storms were sufficient, it was said, to make these coats fall to pieces. It was announced that in some cases manufacturers intimidated military or civilian inspectors of raincoats by threatening to use influence in Washington to obtain their dismissal if they did not approve the coats manufactured.

Others practiced fraud by secretly shifting rejected goods to other plants to which inexperienced inspectors or those who would "play the game" were assigned.

BRIDGES TO BE TESTED

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RETAIN KANSAS CITY ENGINEER.

Reports That Span Over Willamette Are Unsafe Are Cause for Action.

Immediate examination and investigation of the safety of the bridges across the Willamette River in Portland is to be made by Ernest E. Howard, of the engineering firm of Harrington, Howard & Ash, of Kansas City. Authorization for this investigation was given yesterday by the County Commissioners. Mr. Howard is now in the city and will start his examinations at once.

This investigation is ordered because of conflicting reports made recently concerning the safety of the Morrison and Burnside bridges especially. Two different engineers have submitted entirely opposite views as to the safety of the bridges, and the County Commissioners determined to call in Mr. Howard for a third examination.

One report, submitted some months ago by State Bridge Engineer Purcell, stated that should two heavily loaded streetcars and two heavy trucks meet at the same point on the east approach of the Burnside bridge, the structure would undoubtedly collapse. Since that report was made minor repairs have been done, but the board wants to satisfy itself as to the safety of the other bridges as well.

DELINQUENT MUST PAY UP

Property Owners Urged to Wipe Out Bonded Indebtedness.

Property owned by people who have failed to pay bonded indebtedness un-

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der the provisions of the Bancroft bonding act for the past 10 years, will be sold. The council yesterday adopted a report presented by Commissioner Kellaher which reads as follows:

Referring to the sale of property for unpaid bonded assessments under the Bancroft act and the amendments thereto, the Commissioners in 1913, on account of the inability of property owners to pay the installments on interest on the bonded assessments against their property when they became due, because of the conditions prevailing at that time, allowed the property owners to pay the interest only on assessments bonded prior to July 1, 1915. This policy has been continued to this date.

The City Treasurer was instructed to stamp upon each receipt issued for interest only, this waiver:

"Conditions have now changed so that property owners should be able to pay both the interest and the principal on the bonded assessments against their property. Therefore, from and after July 1, 1918, the 10 years allowed for payment of bonded assessments have elapsed and the payments have not been made on the property. It is sold for the whole unpaid bonded assessment and interest, and that where the 10 years have not elapsed I recommend that commencing with August 1, 1918, a payment of one installment and one year's interest be accepted.

BILL IS BREEZY ONE

PANTAGES OFFERING HAS BOTH HUMOR AND VARIETY.

Filmy "Hoosier Girl" Is Topline Attraction, With Billy Tate and Two Others.

Another bright and breezy Summer bill is on view at Pantages this week. The bill is exceptionally well balanced and starts a good pace at the outset which keeps going at a uniform momentum until the last note of the exit march.

"Hoosier Girl" is the topline number. It is a flirtation in two appointments featuring Billy Tate, who is an Al Johnson type in white face, Bing Crosby and Evelyn Bennett. It is all set to gay melodies and a Broadway Beauty chorus in smart raiment provides background. Tate is funny and sings a brassy melody about Carrie and Harry which is a riot. His singing voice is excellent. There are a half dozen clever songs and dance specialties in the act, and it is scenically beautiful.

A clever turn is that of Green M. Henry and Dean, who introduce melody from farm life. With one happy chap at the piano, another dancing in fine style and the other singing in a big, melodious voice, this turn is highly humorous.

Richard the Great is not another Tarzan; he is a real ape, but he has made a fine little man of himself and puts over an assortment of tricks. Dick is going to hold a reception for children at the Saturday matinee.

A surprise act is offered by a trio of talented girls, Doris and Alma Wilson and Lillian Brown. One is a butterfly and coaxes the other two as elderly spinners from their cocoons until they, too, are lovely and smart. The very room is made to undergo an astonishing transformation and the dialogue is snappy at every turn.

Jimmy Lyons is a Hebrew statesman who saunters in to talk of the war and women and politics and a lot of things. Mickey is a comedy athlete and so far as his head is concerned for if he could "feely" in his cranium he surely couldn't use it for a bouncing ball.

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WAR LEGURES GIVEN

INCREASINGLY LARGE CROWDS HEAR DR. HARRY H. POWERS.

Germany's Dream of Empire and Russia's Desire for Outlet to Sea Causes of Present War.

"This is not the Kaiser's war," said Dr. Harry Huntington Powers at the Lincoln High School auditorium last night. "It is the war of every last Briton and Hans in the German empire."

Increasingly large crowds are attending Dr. Powers' illuminating and interesting lectures on the war, given under the auspices of the University of Oregon. In last night's lecture he showed how inevitable it was that France and Germany should one day meet on the field of battle. Germany's dream of empire and her failure to get territory in any part of the globe coupled with the desire of Russia for an outlet to the sea were determining causes of the present struggle, according to the convincing explanation of Dr. Powers. Another reason for war was the large sums of money which French banks had lent Germany on call. The first drawing of the award was stopped by the French banks in 1911, when they threatened to call in their loans should the Kaiser open hostilities.

A particularly interesting sidelight on the war was Dr. Powers' statement that the German dyestuff industry so thoroughly was that the dye-stuff factories could be changed to explosive manufacturing plants in a few hours' notice and that the raw materials used were largely the same. This evening Dr. Powers will discuss the reasons for England's entrance into the war of the Pacific which began at 8 o'clock and is free to the public.

PRANK IN WATER IS FATAL

Diver Seizes Woman's Foot and She Dies of Stroke of Apoplexy.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 22.—(Special.) Nick Jalis, accused of having caused a fatal stroke of apoplexy to seize Mrs. Clara Spooner while the two were in the water at an Alameda bathing resort Sunday, was today charged with battery by John Spooner, husband of Mrs. Spooner.

The battery charge was filed on recommendation of the District Attorney's office to hold Jalis temporarily while the case is investigated. Jalis is accused of having grabbed Mrs. Spooner by the foot as he dived into the water. Mrs. Spooner became highly hysterical and her nervous condition resulted in a stroke of apoplexy from which she died this morning. Jalis is 31 years of age and a laborer.

BLAZE STOPS CAR SERVICE

Trestle Near Vancouver Burns; Passengers Are Transferred.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 22.—(Special.) A fire on the trestle between Vancouver and Portland was interrupted today and many shipyard workers were late to work due to the burning of a portion of the trestle of the Portland Railway Light and Power Company near Columbia beach early this morning. About 100 feet of the trestle was damaged.

A freight car, which is kept at the Hayden Island end of the line, was pressed into passenger service until temporary repairs could be made and passengers were transferred during the greater part of the day.

ALLIES ADVANCE IN SWISS SALIENT

Speed of New Attack Brings Up Nearly All Yankee Troops From Marne.

MORE PRISONERS ARE HELD

Headquarters and Units Move With Rapidity—French Generals Give High Praise to American Officers and Men.

BY CLAIR KENAMORE.

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WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE MARNE, July 22.—Around the salient from Soissons on the north and beyond Chateau Thierry in the south everything is going forward despite heavy German counter attacks. The speed of the new advance had brought nearly all the American troops from the Marne up to last night.

The tired fighters in the front advance have been allowed to rest in the tracks of fresh Americans, French and British, who leap-frogged through them to the vanguard of the battle lines.

Pontoon Bridges Used. The allies have crossed the Marne on pontoon bridges at many places, and despite their speed they were not always able to keep in contact with the enemy owing to the rapidity of the German retirement. The French and Americans, however, have added to their long list of prisoners.

Headquarters and units of all sizes have moved with such frequency that it is impossible to keep track of them and each day finds new American units added to the attacking force during the previous night.

General Petain and Premier Clemenceau in a visit to the front paid their respects to the American Generals and ventured into some of the captured towns.

Troops in Fine Spirits. The tremendous uplift of the advance fills the Marne Valley with excitement. It is like a daily Fourth of July celebration. The troops are in fine spirits. All arms of the service are on their toes in an epidemic of cheering confidence. The arrival of British reinforcements going forward through the smashed villages has brought new cheer to the holiday makers.

Two hundred civilians immured in Chateau Thierry since June 4 went and cheered as the American and French entered and the last Germans withdrew from the other side of the town.

The occupation has left their loved town a wreck, the streets filled with litter from vandalism and shell fire. Wine cellars were emptied and barcades in the streets built of the barrels and furniture, camouflaged in many places of curtains, tapestries and bedclothing. Tumbled masonry, piles of cobblestones uprooted by shells, gutters flooded by broken mains, walls breached, were everywhere.

Cathedral Bodily Damaged. Through this marched the French advance forces while the hysterical town folk wept with joy. The idyllic scene of the French general in command. She said she had cared for Boche wounded and in return her house and shoe repair shop were not harmed.

The civilians had sufficient food during the occupation and were not molested except for an occasional search. The cathedral was badly damaged, its pictures being torn down. Artillery and motor cars were parked there, gun wheels crushing the floor tiles. All civilians were locked in the cathedral last night and on releasing themselves they found the foe gone and friends coming up the street. Old men and women kissed the blushing Americans who wandered into the town to see the wreckage.

NEW YORK ADMAN TO TALK

Portland Club Will Have Two Experts of East as Guests.

Tomorrow noon, at its regular weekly luncheon, the Portland Ad Club will listen to a talk by W. A. Thompson, of New York, director of the advertising bureau of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association. The meeting will be held at the Hotel Benson.

Another guest will be Major E. E. Critchfield, of Critchfield & Co., of Boston.

Tonight at the Benson the Rotarians will assemble at 6:30 for the hearing of reports from their delegates to the recent war work convention of Rotary Clubs at San Francisco.

POISON ENDS WOMAN'S LIFE

Mrs. Mary C. Bauer, Despondent, Swallows Lye Salts.

Mrs. Mary C. Bauer, of 801 Ivon street, was found dead in her room yesterday afternoon by her 16-year-old daughter. Taking of lye salts caused her death, according to Coroner Earl Smith.

Despondency over ill-health is thought to have led to the act. Death came after much suffering, according to the coroner. Mrs. Bauer was 43 years of age.

She is survived by a husband, a daughter and two sons, all of this city. The body was taken to the Lerch yard, detanking parlors. Funeral arrangements will be made today.

CHERRY CROP IS RECORD

Sheridan Cannery Has Prepared Five Carloads This Season.

SHERIDAN, Or., July 22.—(Special.) Harvesting of the cherry crop for 1918 is nearly completed. The Sheridan district has yielded the largest crop of Blings, Royal Anns and other varieties in years. The cannery at Sheridan is running to capacity. Its employes are nearly all women. It has canned more than five carloads of cherries, loganberries and other small fruits.

The cannery is under the supervision of Roy Graves. The need of pickers of the remaining loganberry crop is great.

MORE SPAGNUM NEEDED

Coos Bay District Is Asked to Increase Supply.

MARSHFIELD, Or., July 22.—(Special.)—Dr. W. Hayden, of this city, who

has managed the spagnum moss campaign for Coos Bay Red Cross work, reports that the headquarters is asking for supplies of the moss for cities in other parts of Oregon. Dr. Hayden has been giving 15 days of each month to the service and has gathered large quantities sufficient to keep the Coos Bay chapter busy for another month.

STUDENT NURSES WANT

VOLUNTEERS ARE SOUGHT TO REPLACE WOMEN SENT ABROAD.

College Education May Shorten Training but Will Not Be an Essential.

To train nurses for service so as to relieve those already trained for overseas duty, the National Council of Defense is calling for 25,000 young women of America to volunteer.

Mrs. Alice Hanson Beach, who is chairman of the State Council of Defense, will act as recruiting agent for Oregon. The call is for women between the ages of 19 and 25. Intelligent, responsible women of good education and sound health are wanted—the pick of the country. A college education is a valuable asset, and many of the hospitals where the training will be given will give credit for college work. Some schools of nursing, on the other hand, do not require even a high school education.

Women will be given an opportunity to enroll in the United States Student Nurse Reserve, as the unit is called, in any one of three ways. They may engage to hold themselves in readiness until April 1, 1919, to accept assignments to nurses' schools and will be sent to schools as fast as vacancies occur; they may become candidates for the Army Nursing School, established by the War Department, with branches in selected military hospitals, or they may hold themselves in readiness until April 1, 1919, to accept assignments either to a civilian training school or to the Army Nursing School. Those who enroll thus will be called as soon as the need arises.

The Government will rely on the student nurses to fight disease at home, to care for those injured in hazardous war industries, and to make themselves ready to serve when the time comes as fully trained nurses, either abroad or at home.

The course of training will vary from two to three years, according to the requirements of the school where the women are sent. Student nurses get their board, lodging and tuition free and in most schools get a small allowance to cover the cost of books and uniforms.

21 SPEEDERS ARE FINED

Lucelle Keats Pays \$35 for a Fast Trip on Williams Avenue.

Twenty-one speeders and three violators of the traffic ordinance drew fines in Police Judge Rossmann's court yesterday. The biggest fine—\$35—was imposed upon Lucelle Keats, who was said to have been going down Williams avenue at about 50 miles an hour. Others contributed in varying amounts down to \$5.

William Walcka was saved from a jail sentence by telling the judge he was awaiting a call into the U. S. Marines. His fine for an alleged speed of 46 miles an hour was \$25.

Others were fined as follows: H. A. Capello \$10, E. Hubbard \$5, Sam Hornstein \$5, Bert Stone \$10, J. F. McFarland \$5, J. E. Riggs \$10, E. R. Gady \$15, Roy Simms \$12.50, Ray Neblock \$10, C. B. Malarky \$10, Roy Benson \$10, D. B. Catton \$15, Dick Edwards \$20, Steve Williams \$17.50, F. L. Gaines \$10, G. G. Murphy \$10, J. C. Gentry \$5, A. Vinton \$13, H. Wanke \$17.50. All but the first three were on speeding charges.

BAND CONCERT IS TONIGHT

Municipal Organization to Play at Forestry Building.

There will be a Municipal Band concert tonight at 8 o'clock at the Forestry Building, under the auspices of the Club of Girls. Percy A. Campbell, director of the band, announces the following programme:

March "The Ambassador" (E. E. Barley); overture "Comique" (Kels); "The American" (request); (Macham); suite "Atlantic" ("The Lost Continent") (request); (Pafrans); excerpts from the opera "Her Soldier Boy" (request); (Craw); "The Bombardier" (request); (Beauvais); (Ellis Brooks); idyll "The Mill in the Forest" (request); (Ellenberg); National song "The Song of the American" (request).

The next concert will be given at South Park Blocks, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

FONCK LANDS 56 PLANES

Activity of Bombing Machines Maintained at High Pitch; Fifty Tons of Projectiles on Enemy Railroad Communications.

PARIS, July 22.—A German airplane made an unsuccessful attempt to reach the region of Paris today. A French plane driven off by the French anti-aircraft fire.

This was the first attempt to raid Paris by daylight since the German Taubees flew over the city in September, 1914.

Lieutenant Rene Fonck, a leading French ace, brought down two German airplanes on July 16, two on July 18 and three on July 19. Fonck's total is now officially 56 machines.

"The activity of our bombing machines was maintained at a high pitch on July 21. During day and night 50 tons of projectiles were dropped on enemy railroad communications, beaches, towns and bivouacs in the valley of the Vesle and the Ardre.

"The stations at Laon, Pimies, Berry au Bac and Fere en Tardenois, crowded with troops and convoys, were the objects of very violent bombardments. A great fire followed by several explosions was observed. Another fire broke out in the Fismes station.

"Tens of thousands of cartridges were fired at German troops and batteries which were silenced in the region of Courmount, Roncheres and Villeneuve the same day. Our aviators brought down nine enemy machines."

LONDON, July 22.—The aviation announcement tonight by the British Air Ministry says: "On July 21 the very strong west wind and low clouds almost entirely prevented flying except on a small part of the front. The machines in this sector dropped bombs on various targets, including railway stations, where a direct hit was obtained on an ammunition train. "In combats five hostile machines were brought down. Four of our machines are missing."

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

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German Machine Attempts Day Attack on City.

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