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## DAMAGE IS NOT SERIOUS

Merchandise and Other Goods in Danger Zone Are Removed. Farm Land Is Banked.

### FRESH FLOOD CONDITIONS ARE SUMMARIZED.

Portland—River reaches 20.5-foot stage and may go to 27. Water seeps into some basements. The Dalles—Flood waters at stage of 35.9 feet. Hood River—Truck gardeners are worried by danger of damage to crops.

The Willamette river at Portland has reached a stage of 20.5 feet at 6 o'clock last night and the water was still rising slowly and with the crest of the flood not yet in sight.

The rise was nearly a foot in the last 24-hour period. It was predicted that the river would go over the 21-foot mark today.

Weather bureau officials forecast that the flood would go over the 25 or 27-foot mark before the water starts to recede. It was considered possible, however, that the water might rise even higher, depending to a large extent upon weather conditions in the mountain regions where the sources of the Columbia and Snake rivers lie.

Columbia Is Still Rising. Advances yesterday were that the Columbia river was still rising slowly and steadily, with every indication it would continue, although probably not as rapidly.

No damage of importance was reported in the Portland district, although practically all the basements in the lower downtown districts were flooded. Water has begun to seep into the basements of building west of Third street. Some pumps were going yesterday in that district to keep the engine rooms clear of water.

Most Basements Cleared. The rise of water has been so slow that practically all basements have been cleared of valuable merchandise ahead of it. This was also true along the water front, where the docks have been flooded. In practically all cases of danger merchandise and other property were moved Saturday. The water front was quiet yesterday, except for sighters and some few fishermen angling for carp.

The rise of the river at Portland yesterday broke all records for flood water here since 1917, when the water reached the 24.6 foot stage. This occurred June 28 of that year.

20 Feet Reached in 48. On June 25, 1918, the water reached the 20-foot stage, that being the highest water since 1917 until yesterday.

If the river here goes to the height predicted, it is feared that damage may be done to railroad hills, especially along the Columbia river, where the current has become powerful. No danger is anticipated from that source along the Willamette river, however, owing to the fact that the rise here is back water and the river has practically no current.

Railroads and industrial firms, however, have begun to feel a little apprehension over conditions in the North Portland district in case the water should go much higher.

Embankments Thrown Up. A dredge was in operation along the Columbia slough Saturday and embankments were thrown up in the effort to prevent the flood from inundating more of the farm land there. The tract covered by water in that district was principally grass land and practically no damage has been done so far.

There was considered some danger that the joint rail line to Seattle might be covered at Kalama by the rising flood, if the rise of the Columbia river continues. If this should occur, communication would be cut off or at least hindered by that route between Portland and Washington cities north of there.

Many Boating Parties Held. With beautiful weather all day yesterday, many boating parties were out enjoying the novelty of touring the Willamette river when the river was at such an unusual height. The lack of current here made this possible.

Only 2 1/2 more feet of water will compel the Peninsula mill, one of the few remaining in operation along the Willamette river, to shut down, it was declared.

It was thought likely that the fall in the Snake river, reported Saturday, would begin to be felt here today and tomorrow with the result that the river might be brought practically to a standstill. Stevedoring firms were finding some difficulty in loading grain ships. (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

## LABORER BURIED ALL NIGHT UNDER BRICKS

WALL CAVES IN WHILE MAN IS WORKING ALONE.

William Kruger Found by Searchers After Being Pinned Down for Many Hours.

To be buried beneath an avalanche of bricks in the cellar of a deserted building at East Forty-eighth and Stark streets from 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon until after 7 o'clock yesterday morning was the harrowing experience of William Kruger, 43 years old, a laborer, who lives at 248 East Eighty-eighth street.

Kruger was working alone in the cellar Saturday afternoon when the brick wall toppled over on him, pinning him beneath. He worked until exhausted in vain, but he had not time to attempt to fight his way to freedom he called throughout the afternoon and night for assistance.

When her husband failed to return home by daylight yesterday, Mrs. Kruger aroused neighbors and sent a searching party out to look for him. Several hours later the party visited the cellar where he had been working Saturday afternoon and found him buried beneath the mass of bricks and almost unconscious.

The injured man was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital and sent an examination showed he had sustained a fractured collar bone. He likewise was badly bruised and injured about the shoulders and body. He had suffered greatly from exposure and was in a serious condition last night. Mr. Kruger said that he had attempted to attract pedestrians by his cries for help, but because of his weakened condition, his shouts could not be heard. He had managed to free his head from beneath the bricks, which saved him from suffocation.

## REVOLUTION IS RUMORED

Military Junta Declared to Have Overthrown Portuguese Cabinet.

MADRID, May 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Tempo today printed under reserve a report from travelers reaching Vigo that a revolution had broken out in Lisbon, Portugal. The travelers said members of the cabinet have been imprisoned and Michado Dos Santos has been proclaimed president. The cabinet resigned Saturday.

LISBON, May 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Today's newspapers print a communication from the military junta which planned Saturday's demonstrations against the government. It says no pressure will be exercised to impose a new cabinet, the choice of which is left to the president.

The manifestation yesterday was due to dissatisfaction by the military over an overt act of the government in exonerating of transferred officers.

## PIONEER AIR TRIP TAKEN

5000 Miles of Rough Uncharted Country to Be Traversed.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—With his plantation near Caracas, capital of Venezuela, South America, his announced destination, James Otis, San Francisco business man, left here this morning in a large airplane, accompanied by Pilot William Morris and Mechanic Charles L. West. The party expected to reach San Diego, Cal., late today. From San Diego the route is mapped by way of Tucson and Phoenix, Ariz., and then into Old Mexico.

Five thousand miles of rough, uncharted country lies between San Francisco and Venezuela and the trip Otis stated, will take about four months. No attempt at speed will be made and the party will make maps and keep data which may be useful in the establishment of a regular air route.

## 9 AIRPLANES AT EUGENE

Rest of Forest Patrol Craft Are Expected Today.

EUGENE, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—Nine of the 18 airplanes of the 91st squadron, which is to make its headquarters in Eugene this summer during the forest fire patrol season, arrived this afternoon at 5 o'clock from Mathew field and alighted on the municipal aviation field.

Eighteen planes started this morning, the others stopping at different points along the way. Most of them are expected to arrive here tomorrow.

## RAINS HELP HALT FIRES

Blazes in Minnesota Forests Put Under Control.

DULUTH, Minn., May 22.—Aided by local rains, state and federal forestry men, reinforced by recruits today gained control of forest fires in the Minnesota state and Superior national forest areas in northwestern Minnesota.

The fires started Friday and were their worst yesterday afternoon and early last night.

## FORT FRASER IS BURNED

Hudson's Bay Company's Old Log Building Landmark.

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 22.—(Special.)—Word has been received here that the Hudson's Bay company's post at Fort Fraser has been burned. There were logs in this fort 200 years old and the old landmark, built in the days of buffaloes and wigwams, will be missed by navigators of inland waters.

## HARVEY FIRST TO OUTLINE POLICY

Ambassador Goes Farther Than Hughes.

## POWER EXCEEDS HOUSE'S

Fourth H Is Added to Family of Nations' Directors.

## HARDING GIVES APPROVAL

Tactic Acquiescence in Everything Uttered by Colonel Acknowledged by President.

BY ROBERT T. SMALL. (Copyright, 1921, by The Oregonian.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 22.—(Special.)—The outstanding political event last week in Washington unquestionably was the fact that Colonel George Harvey, ambassador to Great Britain, assumed a position of authority in the foreign relations of the United States, St. James, but in the name of President Harding, Colonel House represented President Wilson for a time in the supreme council but his authority was limited and he had no official standing.

Few persons who have not paid close attention to the development of affairs in Europe realize the power (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

Harvey in Unique Position. Colonel Harvey occupies a unique position in American history. He has more power and authority than was accorded to another member of the "H" family in the last administration, Colonel E. M. House. Colonel Harvey not only is at the head of the American diplomatic service, but is the general representative of President Harding, authorized to "take part" in the deliberations of the supreme council of the allies, that governing body of the entire world. When Colonel Harvey speaks in Europe he speaks not for himself alone, not merely as American ambassador at the court of St. James, but in the name of President Harding, Colonel House represented President Wilson for a time in the supreme council but his authority was limited and he had no official standing.

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## HARDING TAKES SEA TRIP

Presidential Yacht Mayflower Is Due at New York Today.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The presidential yacht Mayflower, with President Harding and party aboard, was reported 69 miles north of Cape Charles light at noon today in a radio message. Perfect weather was said to prevail. The yacht will be due at New York tomorrow.

A message signed by Secretary Christian, received at 10:30 reported the yacht off Barnegat with "all well, perfect weather."

## JAPAN TO GIVE BACK SHANTUNG TO CHINA

MIKADO ALSO TO EVACUATE SIBERIA SOON, IS REPORT.

High Official of Foreign Office Is Authority for Statement That Early Action Is Intended.

TOKIO, May 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Japan is to evacuate Siberia and restore Shantung to China "at the earliest possible moment," according to a statement by an official of the foreign office following adjournment today of the colonial conference which has been in session for a week.

This, he declared, meant that there would be "no change in Japan's fundamental policy" in the far east. The government has decided not to publish any of the conclusions reached by the conference at present. The sessions were private.

While officials generally declined to say whether Japan would take any new positive steps in Siberia and Shantung, they voiced the hope that China was willing to discuss arrangements for restoration of the province. They emphasized that Japan sought nothing in exchange, but must have assurance that Japanese residents and interests in Shantung would be protected.

It was added that the absence of responsible authority in China with which to deal was the greatest handicap.

Newspapers insist that Japan will withdraw her troops from the Shantung railroad to Tsing-Tau without awaiting Chinese acceptance of Japan's standing restoration offer. It is declared this withdrawal will be carried out with an aim to hastening arrangements for the relinquishment of the province to China.

The newspapers also declared that the government is arranging to evacuate all of Siberia except points in Saghalien province, which were occupied, because of the Nikolaievsk massacre.

The Kokumin Shinbun, military organ, attacked the government, which it says is trying to create the false impression that it will establish a constructive policy in Siberia by withdrawing its troops.

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## BALY'S CURVE WRONG, SCIENTISTS ARE TOLD

EXPERIMENTS BLAST THEORY OF ENGLISH PHYSICIST.

Method of Measuring Temperatures at Which Mixed Gases Begin to Liquify Is Disproved.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 22.—Baly's curve is inaccurate. To the layman this may suggest a ball game, but to chemists, physicists and oxygen manufacturers the news is likely to prove startling.

Baly, an English physicist, 20 years ago measured temperatures at which mixtures of oxygen and nitrogen begin to liquify and the extent to which the liquid form is richer in oxygen than the original gaseous mixture. This measurement, known as Baly's curve, has been accepted as a fundamental law. H. N. Davis, professor of the Harvard engineering school, announced today that experiments had resulted in the discovery that the curve was wrong.

A. K. Dunbar, a member of the research group in pyrogenic engineering, made the discovery. Dunbar set out to repeat for another pair of gases the work done by Baly. Having designed a new type of apparatus, he tested it with liquid air. He found Baly's curve was inaccurate.

Expressing the hope that before long his experiments can be carried to their logical conclusion, Prof. Davis said:

"When our work is completed we hope to have collected enough fundamental data bearing on liquid air and the production of oxygen to put the industry on an engineering basis."

## MERCURY 91.2 AT CHICAGO

Hottest May Day in 10 Years Sends Thousands to Parks and Lake.

CHICAGO, May 22.—The hottest May day in ten years resulted in a rush to the parks and lake by thousands of Chicagoans. The mercury touched 91.2. Several persons were overcome and the death of a child was directly attributed to the heat.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Showers tonight brought some relief to New York and the surrounding territory after the hottest day of the season. The "gas company" were reported to be advancing, but it was not known whether the movement was in the nature of a raid or a broader operation.

## 2 BALLOONS QUIT RACE

Gas Bags in Contest With Seven Others Are Forced to Land.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 22.—Two balloons, the "City of Birmingham" and the "Chamber of Commerce of St. Louis," which left Birmingham late yesterday with seven others in the national elimination race, were forced to land near here late today. They had previously been sighted passing over the city with one other balloon.

## GERMANS DEFEAT POLES IN SILESIA

Insurgents Are Driven Back Five Miles.

## SEVERAL VILLAGES SEIZED

Teutons Appear to Have Regular Army Resources.

## 4 FIELD GUNS CAPTURED

Eight Machine Guns and 150 Rifles Also Taken in Clash in Grossteiner Forest.

LONDON, May 22.—Germans Saturday drove the Polish insurgents in Silesia back toward Gross Strehlitz for five miles, said a dispatch to the London Times from Oppeln.

The Times correspondent declared there was every sign that the Germans have the resources of the regular army at their disposal.

BERLIN, May 22.—A dispatch from a German source today says that today's Polish reinforcements had crossed the frontier into upper Silesia and there was severe fighting Sunday near Rosenberg. The insurgents were obliged to evacuate several villages. The outcome of the affair has not been reported.

OPPELN, Silesia, May 22.—It has been reported trouble has broken out in the neighborhood of Krueburg. German "gas companies" were reported to be advancing, but it was not known whether the movement was in the nature of a raid or a broader operation.

LONDON, May 22.—The first real war operation during the Polish insurrection in upper Silesia occurred Saturday, when Germans attacked in the Grossteiner forest, according to a dispatch to the London Times from Ratibor. The correspondent said the Germans attacked in two columns. The Poles left their position hurriedly. Near Gogolin four field guns and eight machine guns and 150 rifles were captured.

The correspondent said the Germans were reinforcing their positions and intended to continue the attacks Sunday. An Oppeln dispatch to the Times said incessant fighting with numerous casualties continued between Polish insurgents and Germans in the Rosenberg, Krueburg, Ratibor and Grappitz areas. The correspondent motored through the Polish lines, where he saw new troops and artillery and other equipment. The Germans, he said, have been reinforced. They have artillery.

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## NOTE IS SENT TO BRITISH

French Say Action by Germany May Be Necessary.

LONDON, May 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—The French embassy yesterday presented a note to the British foreign office, pointing out the seriousness of the upper Silesian situation, in view of the persistent attitude of the German corps, which, it was declared, was being constantly reinforced, the bolshevik tendencies of the workers and the difficulty of intervening between the Poles and the Germans.

The note said it therefore was necessary to make joint representations to Germany to urge her "to put into execution the measures she has announced."

It was stated in French quarters here that 30,000 armed Germans have entered the Silesian territory.

## CREDIT GIVEN TO AMERICA

Temps Expresses Hope That Understanding of France Will Last.

PARIS, May 22.—The Temps, review of the Franco-British situation over Silesia and the Briand-Lloyd George disagreement, concluded: "We have the right to turn to the United States, the president and vice-president of which have just recently uttered such touching words in honor of France and Poland and tell them America's decisive effort won the war."

"We thank the United States for understanding us today and hope that she will sustain us in the effort we are making to insure continental European peace against the stiff resistance in some quarters."

## TWO CONVICTS ESCAPE

Posse of Penitentiary Guards Begins Search for Trusties.

SALEM, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—George Evans, committed to the penitentiary from Union county in October, 1920, for larceny of a horse, and Lee Hollway, committed from Harney county the same month for larceny from a dwelling, escaped today while working as trusties. A posse of guards began hunting for the pair when their absence was discovered at 8:30 o'clock tonight, but at a late hour no trace of them had been discovered.

The men were working with a team on the prison farm. They were seen about 3 P. M. when they put their horses in the barn and fed the animals.

## STRIKING MARINERS REJECT PEACE OFFER

GOTHAM LOCALS VETO PLAN OF FEDERAL MEDIATORS.

Conference Between Owners and Men Scheduled in Washington for Tuesday.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Proposals of federal mediators looking to a settlement of the marine strike, in effect since May 1, were unanimously rejected at a meeting today of local 23 and 89 of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial association.

The meeting was called to hear a report of a committee which had been in conference with Secretary Davis at Washington and as a result of which it was reported, a possible basis of settlement had been reached. The proposals were reported to involve acceptance by the men of a reduction in wages and the granting of concessions as to overtime.

T. B. Healy and B. L. Todd, representatives of the union, declared no vote was taken. They added none was necessary, as the discussion showed the men were unanimous in their declaration to stand by their original proposition.

Secretary Davis arrived today and conferred with W. L. Marvin, general manager, and President Raymond of the American Steamship Owners' association.

Secretary Davis succeeded in having President Raymond and Vice-President Marvin of the American Steamship Owners' association consent to another conference in Washington at 10:30 A. M. Tuesday. The secretary invited the engineers' strike committee to attend.

## WOMAN IN AUTO HURT

Car Crashes into Building When Driver Loses Consciousness.

When her companion, Robert E. Kral, 618 East Eighth street, fell unconscious at the wheel of his automobile, near Third and Taylor streets, early yesterday afternoon, a companion, June Doye, attempted to set the brakes. Before it could be controlled, however, the machine ran into a building on the west side of the street, ricocheted and circled toward the Harley-Davidson bicycle store. When it struck the second time, Miss Doye was rendered unconscious.

Both were sent to the city emergency hospital, where Kral was found to be in a semi-comatose condition, but otherwise unharmed. Miss Doye was treated for a severe contusion of the nose and sent to her home, 225 Fifth street.

## BRIGANDS KILL IN FIUME

Five Autonomists Reported Slain After Political Victory.

ROME, May 22.—Brigands have terrorized Fiume with clandestine assassinations, vowing vengeance against the city for the autonomous victory in the April elections, according to Il Paese, which declared the brigands are mostly D'Annunzio's ex-legionnaires.

Five prominent autonomists have already been murdered, the brigands operating at night, some times, according to the newspaper, in collusion with the carabinieri.

## NEW WAGE SCALE HOPE

British Mine Owners Said to Have Plan to End Strike.

LONDON, May 22.—British mine owners are reported to have brought forward a new plan which may result in a settlement of the miners' strike, which today entered on its 52d day. Details of the new plan have not been divulged, but it was declared they would suggest that wages should be governed by the cost of living.

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## OREGON GERMAN RAP PEACE DELAY

Patriotic Organizations Also Criticised.

## SCHOOL BOARD IS ATTACKED

Alleged Aide to Teuton Spy Elected President.

## CASE DISMISSAL ASKED

Federation of German-Speaking Roman Catholic Societies Adopts Resolution.

### SUMMARY OF RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY GERMAN-SPEAKING ROMAN CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

Demand that Oregon delegation in congress "lend utmost influence for early peace with central powers."

Object to "discrimination" in employment in schools and declare "a wave of religious bigotry and intolerance" has recently sprung up.

Oppose Smith-Towner bill in congress.

Favor recognition of Ireland by the United States.

Declare Joseph Woerndle, federation president, now under fire by the government, to be "a most useful and loyal citizen" and ask Attorney-General Daugherty to dismiss case against him; Woerndle re-elected president.

Condemn certain so-called patriotic organizations.

Implore Oregon delegation in congress "to exert every means to put a stop to . . . outrages committed by French soldiery, and particularly by negro troops of French government, upon women and children of Germany on the Rhine."

Resolutions in regard to the relations of the United States with Germany and the treatment of people within this country whose actions in the war now are under question in the federal courts were included in a series of 13 dealing with governmental, religious and educational matters which were adopted by the Federation of German-Speaking Roman Catholic societies of Oregon at their annual meeting at St. Agatha church Saturday and Sunday.

Included in these resolutions was one deploring the action by the government seeking to cancel the citizenship papers of Joseph Woerndle, accused of having befriended the German spy, Hans W. Boehm; another criticizing the government for not hastening the consummation of peace with Germany; one condemning organizations which seek to "intimidate and coerce" resident aliens in the country, and three other resolutions having to do with classes of educational institutions.

The resolution deploring the action taken by the government in seeking to cancel the citizenship of Woerndle calls upon Attorney-General Daugherty to dismiss such proceedings at once. The case of Mr. Woerndle, which is now the object of a suit in federal court, arose out of alleged violation of his citizenship vows through his alleged aid to the notorious German spy, Hans W. Boehm, previous to the entry of the United States in the war, by allowing him the use of Woerndle's citizenship papers in obtaining passports to leave this country.

Mr. Woerndle is president of the federation and was re-elected to serve for another year. The case now pending against him was started by United States Attorney Humphrey. The suit was filed about April 1 and Mr. Woerndle was allowed 60 days in which to make a reply. His answer has not yet been filed.

School Board Criticised. Another resolution took a slap at the school board of Portland for encouraging a "wave of religious bigotry and intolerance" that has lately sprung up in the city, and for "un-American" policies on the grounds that it has discriminated on religious grounds in employment of school teachers.

A third resolution criticized the present administration for what was called its dilatory attitude in regard to the question of ending the war and called upon Oregon's delegation in congress to work toward effecting a peace with Germany. A similar resolution dealt with the actions of the French in the occupied Rhine district.

Domination Is Deplored. Another resolution, although failing to name specific parties or causes, deplored the rise of patriotic associations which have attempted to "dominate, intimidate and coerce the people of the United States," and by their deeds are setting aside the principles of freedom guaranteed by the constitution.

The resolution evidently was aimed (Continued on Page 6, Column 1.)

