

## HENDERSON OUTS ENGLISH CABINET

Lloyd George Virtually Ac-  
cuses Laborite of Dupli-  
city Toward Colleagues.

### VOTE MAY BE RESCINDED

Ex-Cabinet Member Accused of Sup-  
pressing Kerevsky Note That  
Had Vital Bearing on  
Stockholm Conference.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The course of Arthur Henderson in advising yesterday's conference of the Labor party to send a representation to the Stockholm conference has been followed quickly by the tender of his resignation as a member of the War Cabinet, which constitutes the inner council of the government and the prompt acceptance of the resignation by the Premier.

Premier Lloyd George wrote Mr. Henderson a scathing letter of acceptance in which he practically accuses Mr. Henderson of bad faith and duplicity in his dealings both with his cabinet colleagues and with the Laborites, and promptly gave the letter to the newspapers. The Premier thereby created a situation which puts Mr. Henderson on the defensive, and which may cause the Laborites to retract their decision to send delegates to confer with Germans, Russians and neutrals at the Swedish capital.

**Cabinet Opposes Session.**

Mr. Henderson stated in a note to the press that his position will be explained to the House of Commons.

The letter of the Premier makes it plain that the cabinet is opposed to the Stockholm meeting and also that the present Russian provisional government is lukewarm, if not opposed to the meeting.

The gist of Premier Lloyd George's letter is that Mr. Henderson gave the cabinet the impression that he agreed with them.

They expected him to advise the Labor party against the conference and were greatly surprised by his change of front. They also expected him to read Kerevsky's message regarding the Stockholm meeting, but he suppressed it and by so doing misled the Laborites into taking a course which they thought the Russians desired.

### Vote May Be Rescinded.

Important labor societies already are arrayed against the verdict of the party yesterday, and it may be reversed by a referendum or by general consent, or failing such action, it is wholly possible that the Government may act with France in refusing passports to Stockholm.

The whole incident is mystifying. Mr. Henderson's reputation has been that of a most straightforward man, one of the few in whom the public would expect shifty diplomacy or double dealing, and an honest misunderstanding on his part may be the real explanation.

Mr. Henderson recently returned from Russia with the conviction that the Russians were strong for the Stockholm conference and that the British should meet their wishes. He has taken no part in war cabinet deliberations since his return, being absorbed in the labor party's business, but he has been generally regarded as a sort of governmental ambassador to labor and as the government spokesman on labor matters.

### Opinion Is Diverse.

The Saturday Review says that the government sent Mr. Henderson to Petrograd with the intention of making him Ambassador to Russia if it appeared that a revolution would be acceptable to the revolutionary government than Ambassador Buchanan, whose previous position as Ambassador to the Imperial court might have prejudiced the revolutionary party against him.

The diversity of opinion in the newspapers on the situation is wide. Important journals like the Times and the Morning Post bitterly oppose one of the public conferring with enemies, on war questions. On the other hand, the important and in no way pacifist Westminster Gazette says: "The government should have taken a clear line from the first. It should have told the Russians that it absolutely trusted our working people in conferring with the working people of any other country and was confident that the allied cause would be safe in their hands."

The Manchester Guardian also is among the papers holding similar views. These papers contend that British point of view in the war never have been really understood by the Russians, who largely consider that they are "capitalistic" aims and that America is dominated by the same element. They claim also that the German minority Socialists never have had the British case adequately presented to them.

**Henderson Changes Views.**

Premier Lloyd George, in a letter accepting Mr. Henderson's resignation, said the members of the British cabinet were taken completely by surprise by his attitude at the labor conference. The cabinet minister's resignation was completely opposed to the Stockholm meeting and Mr. Henderson should have informed them of his change in views. The delegates to the labor conference, he added, were justified in assuming that Mr. Henderson's advice represented the government.

W. A. Appleton, general secretary of the Federation of Trades Unions, issued a statement today criticizing Mr. Henderson's attitude.

"By insisting upon attendance at the Stockholm conference," said the statement, "Mr. Henderson destroyed the unity of the allied movement, jeopardized the unity of the British movement and affronted the colonial and American movements. He has placed the government in a very equivocal position. One wonders why."

### CONFERENCE IS CONDEMNED

German Plot Seen in Plan for Meeting at Stockholm.

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 11.—Peter Wright, director of the British Seamen's and Firemen's unions, who has been devoting some time in Scandinavian countries to the study of conditions underlying the labor movement, told the Associated Press that he was firmly convinced the conference is wholly a German scheme. He added that all the arrangements for the conference, including the original guard, now numbers 25 marines, beside the five officers.

He approved the stand taken by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and spoke bitterly of the conference advocates in his own country, saying that they merely were helping the Germans out of difficulties

and that peace now would result in a renewal of the war within a few years.

## FALL PLANTING IS BETTER

Coos Bay Farmer Discovers He Gets Greater Yield of Wheat.

NORTH BEND, Or., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—Jacob Mendel, of this city, has demonstrated that grain sown in the fall on hill land that the coarser district will produce much more heavily than spring planting.

Mendel owns a ranch with a hill district having an elevation of 700 feet. In ordinary seasons this land produces grain, but not abundantly. Experimenting he learned that fall planting would be advantageous. Mr. Mendel last year sowed wheat on the land and pastured cattle on the same tract until spring.

This year's crop is several times as

## YOUNG INVENTOR HAS BEEN MISSING FOR FOUR DAYS.

Henry Absher, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Absher, of Hood River, has been missing four days and his parents are much concerned. He is 22 years old and has been residing in Portland for several months. In letters to his father he said he was working at the Columbia shipyards, but the foreman there has no record of him.

Young Absher has been working on a mechanical invention for four years, and his father thinks he has overtaxed his mind. He was last seen at the Hazel Hotel in this city Wednesday night by his older brother, and at that time was acting strangely. Any information about him should be sent to W. H. Absher, Hood River, Or., or to E. Carson, marshal at Hood River.

heavy as common, and the wheat is between five and six feet high and well headed.

**BEARS KILL MANY SHEEP**

Eastern Oregon Flockmasters Want Government Hunter.

BAKER, Or., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—Bears are inflicting heavy losses on the sheep herds in the Eagle Mountains, according to Senator and Mrs. W. H. Strayer, who returned with their flock from a camping trip on East Eagle Creek, George Jones, of Richland, is said to have lost 23 head from his herd and others have suffered severely.

An effort is being made by the sheepmen to secure the services of a Government hunter.

One hunter is reported to have refused to follow a bear and her cubs because he said the tracks indicated that the animals are silver-tipped grizzlies and he did not care to meet them.

## TRAINS STOP AT LAKEVIEW

Great Northern Will Accommodate Visitors to Camp Lewis.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—Arrangements are being made by the Great Northern to have its trains stop at Lakeview for the accommodation of those who wish to visit the American Lake Army post. At the present time only one train stops there. The new orders will affect two others. Lakeview is situated on the main line and is the nearest point on the Great Northern to Camp Lewis.

The new arrangement is expected by the railroad to be of great convenience to persons traveling to points north of Seattle who stop off at the post.

## AUSTRALIA REVISES DUTIES

Liquor Taxes Increased and Grain Customs Removed.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Aug. 11.—Additional customs and excise duties were announced by the Australian government today. The chief increase in the customs on three shillings a gallon on imported spirits and one penny a gallon in excise duty. The excise on beer, it is estimated, will increase the revenue by \$600,000.

The duty on wheat, flour and corn stalks has been removed.

## SOCIALIST IS RELEASED

National Secretary Questioned Closely as to Alleged Utterances.

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—Adolph Germer, National secretary of the socialist party, who was arrested last night because of his alleged seditious utterances in addressing a meeting of the American Liberty and Defense League was released from custody late today.

He was questioned closely by agents of the Federal Department of Justice.

## COOS RADIO FORCE INCREASED.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—The marine guard at the Englewood radio station was increased by the arrival of 13 men from Mare Island, under Sergeant W. S. Hamilton. Within the past two weeks another contingent of six men who had served at Cape Blanco also was sent here. The force, including the original guard, now numbers 25 marines, beside the five officers.

## Lane County Farmers Borrowing.

EUGENE, Or., August 11.—(Special.)—Farmers in Lane County have already received \$15,000 under the Federal farm loan law, according to George M. Miller, secretary-treasurer of the Lane County Federal Farm Loan Association. Mr. Miller says a total of 61 applications for loans has been approved, and he expects that farmers in the county will receive \$350,000 by the close of the year.

## JOINT OUTING HELD

Plumbers and Jobbers and Employees at Crystal Lake.

## LIST OF PRIZES IS BIG

Men and Women, Fat and Thin, Old and Young, Engage in Keen Competition for Valuable Trophies Donated by Jobbers.

For the first time in local history the Portland Association of Master Plumbers and employees, with Portland jobbers and their employees, affiliated in a grand annual picnic, held yesterday at Crystal Lake Park, with the plumbers doing the honors.

There was a list of events as long as the proverbial plumber's bill, and a great deal of hilarious happiness and out-of-doors enjoyment. F. J. Pierrard was chairman of the committee in charge, and Ray Graham supervised the various events. C. J. Kelley was marshal of the day.

The prizes, which were gifts of value aggregating several hundred dollars, were voluntarily contributed by the jobbers, and were voted for by a number of races and athletic contests. A partial list of the winners follows:

Ball game, Plumbers vs. Jobbers, won by the Jobbers.

100-yard dash—First, D. Williams; second, E. Caylow; third, E. W. Dye.

50-yard dash for fat men—E. W. Fish, won.

50-yard dash for fat men over 40 years—H. Clausen won.

100-yard dash, master plumbers—First, J. P. Curran; second, J. J. Burrows; third, Fred von Hoomen.

100-yard dash, jobbers employees—First, J. Wilkes; second, E. W. Dye; third, E. W. Fish.

Girls' 50-yard dash—First, Anna D. Cromwell; second, Dorothy Kelly; third, I. M. Williams.

Salesmen's 75-yard dash—First, H. W. Nelson; second, F. DeLong.

Plumbers' employees' 100-yard dash—First, Thomas Cosgrove; second, G. Welch; third, E. M. Williams.

Master plumbers' 75-yard dash—First, D. Williams; second, H. R. DuBoise; third, J. B. Fletcher.

Single ladies' 50-yard dash—First, Anna D. Cromwell; second, Martha Catterman.

Boys' 100-yard dash—First, Delbert Finnegan; second, M. Burlett.

Three-legged race—First, C. S. Whitcomb; second, Ray Graham.

Shoe race—First, H. P. Jensen; second, J. P. Curran.

Pie-eating contest—First, Carl Butler; second, Edward Duane.

Women's ball-throwing contest—First, Mrs. L. E. Finn.

Ladies' potato race—First, Mrs. S. Pollett.

Out-of-war—Plumbers won from Wholesalers.

Special race for married women—First, Mrs. Christine Greene; second, Mrs. Frank Pierrard.

Oldest plumber present—John Henry, Master plumber's wife, captured by Mrs. George Root.

The prize walk was won by Charles Carson and Mrs. Meese, while Jack Kern and partner won first prize for the fancy step dance.

In attendance of several hundred, comprising many families, were registered at the dual picnic, which proved to be one of the most enjoyable held this season at Crystal Lake Park.

## MT. ANGEL ALUMNI MEET

Old Students of College Have Recorded Carefully Kept.

The Mount Angel Alumni officers met at Father Gregory Robi's residence Friday to provide new methods of keeping addresses and other information regarding former students. Many of the old boys have enlisted.

Mount Angel has one of the most complete records of students in the West. For the past three years the alumni have issued an annual magazine.

At the meeting were: Father Gregory Robi, vice-president of the Alumni Association; Father Victor, prefect of Mount Angel College; Father Philip Gowney, ex-prefect of the college; Andrew Weber, Martin Deragel, Francis Dorney, and P. F. Lelpis, recorder of the association.

## GOVERNORS IN MEETING

(Continued From First Page.)

ing with aliens of military age living in the various states, who claim exemption under the draft by reason of their foreign nationality.

This applies, of course, only to aliens from friendly countries. In many of the Western states, particularly in mining districts, the larger part of the male population of military age is composed of such aliens.

The result is a very serious problem for the military authorities. The aliens are called up under the draft and are standing on their rights and claiming exemption, which must be granted them under the existing law.

A very heavy burden is thus thrown on the citizens of military age living in these communities, for the entire draft quotas must then be filled from among their number.

**Labor Situation Considered.**

"In some districts of Utah," explained Governor Bamberger, "there are so many aliens of military age who are claiming exemption that virtually every citizen between the ages of 21 and 30 years will be taken by the second draft unless something can be done to equalize conditions."

After much discussion the Governors decided that a campaign of education along patriotic lines must be undertaken to induce these aliens to do their duty by their adopted country.

Labor conditions in the various states were discussed. Governor Withycombe's plan, already in operation in Oregon, of appointing a state board of conciliation and mediation to adjust differences between employers and employees before they reach the breaking point, was discussed but not adopted.

The different states presented entirely different labor problems, and that in some states these problems were so enormous that no other state could deal with conditions in its own way.

**Yearling Lambs Impracticable.**

The Council heartily agreed with Governor Withycombe when he brought up the impracticability in Western states of observing Food Administrator Hoover's plan to conserve lambs until they are yearlings.

Governor Withycombe pointed out that in the Western states lambs on hand range attain maturity in a few months, and that far from being a good economy to save them until they are at least a year old, the plan, if followed, would so overstock the market that it could not support the flock.

As all the Governors are from sheep-raising states and most of them have practical knowledge of the sheep industry, they were emphatic and

unanimous in supporting his contention that Mr. Hoover's ruling, insofar as it applies to the Western states, should be revoked.

Their stand on this point will be brought to the attention of the Food Administrator at Washington.

## Education Campaign Planned.

One important matter in which the Governors will all cooperate is to be a publicity campaign in each state to educate the people in regard to the war. Discussion revealed the belief of the Governors that the public generally is not as well informed as it should be, and consequently not as interested in the war.

Speakers will be sent out in each state to explain the status of the war and the issues involved, and the newspapers will be asked to cooperate.

The Governors took luncheon at the Portland with Colonel Charles E. Dentler, United States Army, who commands all troops in the district comprising the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Utah.

At the luncheon the mobilization and handling of new troops as they are assembled in the draft was thoroughly discussed.

The important understanding was reached, further with Colonel Dentler, that hereafter no appeals for troops in any district will be headed unless the request comes direct from the Governor of the state itself.

**Local Appeal to Be Disregarded.**

This will do away with a condition of affairs in which Sheriffs, Mayors and employers in local communities have been importuning the War Department for troops, and in some instances getting them, when the state authorities were entirely competent to handle the situation.

From now on, the Governors themselves will make all requests for troops that may be necessary. These requests will be made direct to Colonel Dentler, whose headquarters are in Portland, or to the Western Department at San Francisco.

This agreement also is calculated to relieve the fears of persons who have thought that, with the departure of National Guard troops to the front, the states would be left without military protection to handle disturbances.

**"Slacker" Evil Topic.**

Colonel Dentler made it clear that at all times there will be troops in training available for protection of any locality. For the present, small units of the National Guard troops or regulars probably will remain in the states after the main bodies have departed for concentration camps. Later their places will be taken by draft quotas under training.

The Governors further discussed the "slacker" evil. While they did not go officially on record with a recommendation, it was the consensus of opinion that treating slackers and shirkers as out-and-out deserters would go far to solve the problem.

Governor Withycombe was the advocate of another suggestion that met with favor. This was to urge the National Government to be liberal in permitting the use of former reserve ranges to their fullest extent for cattle and sheep.

## Food Crops Better.

The Governor said he felt that at present the reserve ranges are at present much understocked.

The food production came in for a long discussion. In general, the Governors were unanimous in opinion that every effort must be made to increase the production of foodstuffs in the West, and particularly in the wheat-growing section of the Northwest, in the coming year.

The cheering news was reported by several of the Governors that while the crops will be considerably below original estimates, they will be larger than appearances indicated a couple of weeks ago.

## Council Discussions Secret.

The Governors began their council shortly after 9 o'clock yesterday morning in room 212 of the Portland Hotel. After lunch the council continued its conference again until 3:45 o'clock, when they took a spin out the Columbia Highway.

After a late dinner on their return they adjourned into the evening and did not adjourn finally until nearly 11 o'clock.

Discussions in the council were secret, the decisions reached being announced after final adjournment.

## GERMANS ADMIT WRONG

INVASION OF BELGIUM SAID TO HAVE BEEN UNNECESSARY.

Defenses on Franco-German Frontier Almost Overcome by Flood of Teutons From North.

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 11.—Lieutenant-General Baron von Freytag-Loringhoven, the supplementary general staff of the German army, in an article printed in a German newspaper, admits the falsity of the German pretension that the invasion of Belgium was necessary in the campaign of August, 1914, due to military and defensive necessity provoked by alleged preparations of France to invade Germany, through Belgium.

General von Freytag-Loringhoven writes that, on the contrary, the French originally started to concentrate their armies along their eastern frontier and made a belated change in their plans only after the German offensive had set in motion through Belgium, and the Germans profited greatly from the resulting confusion and delay.

Stories of French troops marching through Belgium during the first days of the war and of "plane and automobile attacks from Belgian territory, and other fairy tales which figure largely in German justification of the invasion of Belgium, are not mentioned.

The article by the German general, effect of the sweep of that unexpected German flood upon successive French armies, and the advance to the Marne, General von Freytag-Loringhoven declares that the Germans retreated from the Marne because they were too weak to break through the French line, but he argues that, although final success the opportunity of a daring advance through Belgium, avoided war on her own territory.

The newspaper says that the article of General von Freytag-Loringhoven, who is a military historian, is based on the official general staff records, is circulated semi-officially in the German press.

## CAR CRASHES 275 FEET

Wife and Husband, of Portland, Injured Near Grants Pass.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—While turning out to allow another auto to pass, a northbound car slid from the roadway and down an embankment abutting the Pacific Highway, about a mile south of Canyonville, where a wreck in a creek bed 275 feet below.

The car was driven by a woman, accompanied by her husband. Both are badly injured. The face and severely bruised about the body. The parties refuse to give their names or other information about themselves, saying that they came from Portland. The car license number is 17486, which is registered under the name of the Warren Ship Furniture Company, of Coquille, Aug. 11.

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## Lines Are Tighter

Industrial Exemption to Be Made More Difficult.

CROWDER ISSUES ORDERS

Renewed Emphasis Put on Fact Draft Law Is in Interest of Nation, Not of Individual.

Task Nearly Complete.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Renewed emphasis was laid by Provost Marshal General Crowder today upon the fact that Congress framed the Army draft law in the interest of the nation, not of the individual. For that reason the lines are being drawn tight in the matter of exemptions.

The Government has acted slowly in bringing home to the country the rigid character of the draft act. There has been much discussion of the exemption problem, based on an erroneous view of the law's purpose which assumed that married men, for instance, would be exempted without question and that the burden of military duty was to be carried fully by the single men among the ten million registered.

General Crowder has taken the position in recent rulings that married men will be exempted only when it is to the interest of the Government that they should be excused from service. If the removal of the drafted man from his family circle probably would be exempted without question and that the burden of military duty was to be carried fully by the single men among the ten million registered.

Industrial Pleas Scanned.

An interpretation similarly rigid has now been placed upon exemptions for industrial reasons. The Government has taken a hard line in scrutinizing closely individual cases among its employees before asking that they be exempted. Bureau chiefs, who must file affidavits with the proper board, showing that a man is indispensable before he can be excused, have been instructed to exercise the greatest care. Wherever there is a doubt, a call to military service prevails and no exemption is asked.

District boards throughout the country have been instructed to make the Government's action their guide in dealing with claims for exemption of men in private employment. An employer seeking exemption for a man he considers indispensable must first make a showing in regard to that business. He must first prove to the board's satisfaction that his industry is necessary to the public interest or to the maintenance of the military service.

Showing with affidavits stating that the particular individual is indispensable to the industry. Circumstances of employment must be stated, and reasons given as to why it would be impossible to replace the registered man with another, not of military age, or with a woman.

**Crowder's Duties Are Lighter.**

Reports to the Provost Marshal-General have indicated plainly that wholesale attempts to evade the draft through the dependency clause of the regulations are in progress in many places. The additional cautions sent to district boards in regard to industrial exemptions, it is hoped, will forestall similar attempts at that stage of proceedings is reached. The Government is also in a strong position in regard to the exemption of men by the local selection boards because of dependents, as an appeal has been recorded automatically in each case and it will be possible to re-open the National Army board and make sure that no evasion of duty has been permitted.

The office force at General Crowder's headquarters has been materially reduced and virtually all the officers who have aided him in the huge task of carrying through the draft now have been detailed to the National Army. The great work of the Provost Marshal-General has been completed. The machinery of the draft has been erected and the office of the Provost Marshal-General will now settle down to the routine of keeping that machinery in operation.

**H. P. Baker to Address Rotarians.**

Hugh P. Baker, dean of the College of Forestry, Syracuse, N. Y., will be the chief speaker Tuesday noon at the Rotary Club luncheon, to be held in the Crystal room of the Hotel Benson. His subject will be "Forestry in the

Industrial Development of Oregon." He will make a special trip from Tacoma for the purpose.

Castro May Stay in Mexico.

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 11.—Cipriano

Castro, former dictator of Venezuela, who has landed at Vera Cruz, is reported to have engaged passage back to New York, but it is announced the Government here will have no objection to his remaining in Mexico if he desires.

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