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## VON IGEL PAPERS PROOF OF PLOTS

### Intrigue Against Peace- ful Land is Clear.

## SPY SYSTEM WIDE-SPREAD

### German Aid for Irish Revolu- tion Drags in Name of New York Justice.

## HOLLAND IS INVOLVED

### Trouble Fomented in Munition Plants and Thousands Spent in Publicity.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Further disclosures of far-reaching German propaganda, intrigues and plots in this country prior to the diplomatic break with Germany were made today by the committee on public information.

In a bulletin styled "Official Exposure," the committee quotes numerous letters and extracts from letters seized by the Department of Justice in April, 1916, in a raid upon the New York office of Wolfe von Igel.

### German Embassy Involved.

Von Igel, in carrying on this manifold pro-German and anti-American activities, the documents show, was in constant touch with the German Embassy and with Count von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to the United States.

"In the form of letters, telegrams, notations, checks, receipts, registers, cash books, cipher codes, lists of spies and other memoranda and records," the committee says, "were found indications—in some instances of the vaguest nature, in others of the most damning conclusiveness—that the German imperial government, through its representatives in a then friendly nation, was concerned with—

### American Laws Violated.

"Violation of the laws of the United States.

"Destruction of lives and property in merchant vessels on the high seas.

"Irish revolutionary plots against Great Britain.

"Fomenting ill-feeling against the United States in Mexico.

"Subornation of American writers and lecturers.

"Financing of propaganda.

"Maintenance of a spy system under the guise of a commercial investigation bureau.

"Subsiding of a bureau for the purpose of stirring up labor troubles in munition plants.

"The bomb industry and other related activities."

The committee, of which Secretaries Lansing, Baker and Daniels are members, and George Creel, chairman, has this to say concerning Holland:

"It has long been an open secret that Holland is merely a way-station

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## GENERAL SCOTT TO SEE BATTLE FRONT

### EX-CHIEF OF STAFF WILL BE RECALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY.

### Observation Tour of European War Zone to Be Preparatory to Com- manding Training Area.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—There is reason to believe that Major-General Hugh L. Scott, who automatically retired today as chief of the Army General Staff, soon will see the battlefields of Europe, although the only official statement as to the duty he will undertake when recalled to active service is Secretary Baker's announcement that it will be in connection with the training of troops in the United States.

An observation tour in France and England appears probable, as preparation for active command of a training area or division.

General Scott saw the Russian offensive in Galicia when he was with the Root mission.

Orders recalling General Scott to active service will be issued tomorrow, having been prepared today when he was succeeded as chief by Major-General Tasker H. Bliss.

## FRANCE RULES ON LIQUOR

### Heavy Penalties Provided for Repe- tition of Public Drunkenness.

PARIS, Friday, Sept. 21.—The Chamber of Deputies today adopted a bill against drunkenness in public places, which, having already passed the Senate, now becomes a law.

The bill has been back and forth between the two houses for more than two years.

The measure provides punishment by fines and imprisonment. Persons incurring four convictions within three years may be deprived of the right to vote or to be elected to office, to carry arms, to serve as jurors, and may also be deprived of parental rights over children.

## WAR AFFECTS SCHOLARSHIP

### Whitman College Women Make Better Showing Than Men.

WHITMAN COLLEGE, Walla Walla, Wash., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—The scholarship records of the various groups in Whitman College for the year 1916-1917 have just been issued by the registrar. These records show the effect of the war upon the men students last Spring, for the averages of the women are above the average of the college, while all men's groups fall below that line.

Another interesting feature is that the fraternity men and women have a better average than those not belonging to those organizations.

## "PERSONAL SPY" INTERNED

### Dr. Karl Graves Asserts He Acts Direct for Kaiser.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 22.—Internment of Dr. Karl Armgaard Graves, claiming to be the Kaiser's personal spy, was ordered today in a telegram to Federal authorities from Attorney-General Gregory. He was taken to the Federal prison at Leavenworth, Kas., where he will be confined for the duration of the war.

Graves was arrested here August 16 by Federal agents as an enemy alien.

## SOLDIERS TO OPEN FAIR

### Guardsmen Will Be Guests of Board at Salem Tomorrow.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—The remainder of the soldiers at Clackamas will be guests at the opening of the State Fair Monday. Word was received today from the War Department that the guardsmen will be here.

A big reception will be held for the soldiers, at which Governor Withycombe will speak. The khaki-clad lads will be the guests of the State Fair Board.

## TRAGEDY REVEALED BY GERMAN'S DIARY

### Sweetheart Victim of U-Boat Commander.

## SUICIDE FOLLOWS DISCOVERY

### Booklet of Hans von Tuebingen Replete With Thrills.

## RECORD SAVED BY STEALTH

### Transfer From First Vessel Wel- comed, as Members of Crew Are Declared to Like Their Busi- ness of Butchery Too Well.

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1914-5 March.

Not the least of the pleasures since my arrival at Stockholm has been the meeting with Sven Larson, whom I knew in the gymnasium, quite by accident, while sipping coffee at the Opera Kaffeteren. He took me to his home and I found his father, Lars Larson, and mother and sister (I believe her name is Minna) most charming people. The father is an old sea dog, but full of good-natured rillery. The daughter is a very good looking, reminding me of a Græthen in some "Faust" production that I have seen.

Sven has studied a great deal since we left school and speaks on all subjects with an air of authority. Our conversation was of beauty, inspired, no doubt, by the good looks of his sister. She left the room soon after this subject was broached. Her modesty made her forbear taking part in a discussion of which she was so eminent a living exponent and exemplar, yet lacked theories about.

### Beauty Topic of Debate.

I maintained that beauty was a sort of national affair, varying in accordance with the standards of the various nations. Even insisted that it was something deeper and more philosophical.

"It is the outward expression of the perfect agreement of the parts with the entire organism, in relation to the purpose for which the organism is intended," he said tersely. Scarcely knowing whether I had understood him, I nevertheless ventured the query: "What is the criterion as to this concord of the parts to the whole and also as to the purpose for which the organism is intended?"

### Mole Taken as Example.

"Have you ever seen a mole?" he asked.

"When I had answered affirmatively, he said:

"Then you have noticed the big shovel-like paws. Well, they were made of that shape for shoveling. Shoveling is the chief occupation of a mole throughout its life. Its eyes are little better than rudimentary. It does not need eyes, digging, as it does, nearly all the time in darkness beneath the surface of the earth. Shovel-like paws and barely perceptible, sightless eyes are features of beauty about a mole.

They would disfigure an eagle, just as the wings of an eagle and its large, intelligent eyes would look hideous in a mole. What an awful monstrosity hands would be on a tree! Why? Because a tree does not require them to fulfill any of the purposes of its existence. Man needs them for a thousand different purposes. Hence their beauty. Adaptability of means to an end, Hans

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## \$2.05 NORTHWEST PRICE FOR WHEAT

### Portland is Terminal by Hoover Order.

## FARMERS WIN SIGNAL VICTORY

### Figures Show Lack of Ton- nage on Pacific False.

## GROWERS ARE SATISFIED

### Volley of Facts Fired by Northwest Congressional Delegation and Producers Batters Down All Opposition.

### OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash- ington, Sept. 22.—Food Administrator Hoover, after consultation this morning with M. H. Houser, of Portland, and Julius Barnes, head of the Government wheat corporation, at which the pro- test of the Northwestern farmers was discussed and digested, announced the establishment of a base wheat price of \$2.05, No. 1 Northern or equivalent at Portland, Seattle and Tacoma for bulk wheat, with the usual premium (5 cents per sack) for sacked wheat.

Wheat below grade will be purchased by the food administration on sample.

### Signal Victory Won.

Thus the delegation of wheat growers, backed and supported by the unannounced congressional delegations from Oregon, Washington and Idaho, won a signal victory and forced the food administration to back down from its original stand in opposition to their demands.

As the announcement of Mr. Hoover's order is made officially, there will be no need of taking a further appeal to the President.

The farmers who came to Washington to present their case entirely satisfied with the result. Reversal of the first stand of the food administration was brought about by the presentation of cold facts and clear logic.

### Pacific Tonnage Soon Available.

Mr. Hoover and Mr. Barnes could not hold out against the showing that the Chicago price, with a 20-cent differential, worked a discrimination against Northwestern wheat growers; no more could they hold out where the wheatgrowers produced official figures to show that there is or soon will be available on the Pacific Coast three times the amount of American ocean tonnage necessary to move the 11,000,000 bushels of wheat available for export.

And, on the question of tonnage, the wheat men today produced new, but official, figures showing that in addition to the American tonnage available on the Pacific Coast there is today engaged in trade through the Panama Canal British tonnage which could, if so desired, move five times the amount of wheat to be offered for export in the Northwest.

### Brief Announcement Made.

When the delegation of wheatgrowers, Senators and Representatives called at Mr. Hoover's office this morning they found him concluding an hour's conference with Mr. Houser and Mr. Barnes. At that conference the three food officials had studied carefully the facts presented to the President, a transcript of the White House conference having been sent over by the President. They also considered the briefs of the wheat delegation.

At that preliminary conference the decision was reached to grant the farmers substantially what they asked for. Mr. Hoover, in few words, an-

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## STAR-GAZER FINDS LUNA'S VAGARIES

### DISCOVERY IS ANNOUNCED BY PROFESSOR SEE.

### Earth Weakens Sun Waves, Causing Motions of Moon, Which Have Heretofore Defied Calculations.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 22.—The cause of the fluctuation of the motion of the moon in its orbit, which long has been a puzzle to astronomers, has been discovered by Professor T. J. J. See, director of the Naval Observatory at Mare Island, Cal., according to a statement which he gave out today. Professor See has been here visiting his mother in Montgomery City, Mo.

Professor See states that the electro-dynamic waves of the sun, which, he announced two years ago, are the force of gravitation in the solar system modified, are modified as to the moon because the force is exerted through the mass of the earth. This interposition of the earth between the sun and moon causes the electro-dynamic waves of the sun to undergo circular refraction, dispersion and absorption. This, said Professor See, weakens the action of the sun on the moon when that satellite is near the shadow of the earth, as at the time of lunar eclipses, and causes the fluctuations in the moon's revolution in its orbit.

"For 60 years," said Professor See, "the motion of the moon has defied calculations, and astronomers have been greatly puzzled by the departure of the moon from its predicted place. In 1878 Professor Newcomb furnished an elaborate investigation showing that the moon's motion is irregular and from that day to this the irregularities of the moon have defied all astronomical and mathematical calculations."

Professor See's announcement states that the irregularities in the moon's motion may be calculated and that thereby the accuracy of the predicted places in its orbit may be increased twelve fold.

His regards his discovery as corroborative of his theory of the cause of gravitation. He has sent a report to the Royal Astronomical Society, London, and to scientific societies in Paris, London and Edinburgh.

## POTATO PEEL GOOD SEED

### Fine Crop Is Produced by Aberdeen Restaurant Man.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—Two sacks of as fine Washington Beauty potatoes as one would wish for were raised here by Joe Paveltich, a restaurant man, from a gallon can full of potato peelings gathered at his restaurant. He put but one eye in a hill as a rule and sometimes two, and never more, yet each hill produced from eight to 13 spuds, most of which weigh around half a pound.

The ground was heavily fertilized, and a little of the potato was left around each eye.

## T. R. NOW NEWSPAPER MAN

### Colonel Puts In Morning at Desk in Kansas City Star Office.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 22.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt made his debut as a member of the newspaper profession today when he spent the morning at his desk in the office of the Kansas City Star, to which newspaper he is to be a contributor and a member of its staff.

Colonel Roosevelt is here to make a speech Monday night during the "patriotic week" celebration.

## SHOWERS ARE PREDICTED

### Week's Forecast for Northwest Says "Occasional Rain."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Sunday, issued by the weather bureau today, are:

Pacific States—Fair weather over southern and occasional rains over northern districts.

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## ULTIMATUM SENT FROM ARGENTINA

### Formal Statement De- manded of Berlin.

## TWO COURSES ARE POSSIBLE

### Action Depends on German Attitude Toward Course Taken by Luxburg.

## APPROVAL HELD INSULT

### Declaration of War Would Re- sult in Few Changes in Argentine Cabinet.

### BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 22.—The Argentine government has sent an ultimatum to Germany.

In its note the government demands a formal statement from the German government of its attitude toward the behavior of its Minister, Count von Luxburg, and a repetition of the promises made respecting Argentine shipping, in connection with the Toro settlement.

### Verbal Explanation Insufficient.

The Argentine government has received no explanation from Berlin since the disclosures by the American Secretary of State, except a verbal statement from Baron von Dem Busche-Haddenhausen, Under Secretary of the German Foreign Office, made through Dr. Molina, the Argentine Minister to Berlin, which Argentina considers insufficient.

The Argentine Foreign Minister made a statement in the Chamber of Deputies today regarding the situation and it was understood that the Radicals had prepared a resolution which they intended to introduce, declaring a state of war already exists with Germany.

### Reply Anxiously Awaited.

The government is anxiously awaiting Berlin's response before deciding on a rupture of relations or a declaration of war, and, according to the Foreign Office, if the German government's reported appreciation of Von Luxburg is confirmed, Argentina will consider it an insult and declare war immediately. If no confirmation of this report is forthcoming, only a rupture of relations is likely.

A declaration of war would result in a shake-up in the Cabinet, several of the Ministers maintaining that no cause for war exists, although a majority of the Ministers and the public generally are willing to follow the government even into war.

### Mass Meeting Favors War.

A great mass meeting was held today and there was a unanimous call for an immediate break with Germany.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Sept. 22.—The Chilean papers are discussing the vote in the Argentine Senate relative to a rupture with Germany. They charac-

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THESE EVENTS IN THE WEEK'S NEWS IMPRESSED CARTOONIST REYNOLDS.

