

## RAID OF ZEPPELINS ENDS IN DISASTER

### French Airmen Attack and Destroy Five.

## AIR DEFENSE SERVICE PERFECT

### Enemy Squadron Scattered Like Frightened Birds.

## CHASE IN SKY EXCITING

### London Attack Made at Great Height by Unheard Monsters—27 Persons Are Killed and 53 Are Injured.

LONDON, Oct. 20.—A fleet of Zeppelins that raided London last night met disaster on their return, in crossing France. A swarm of airplanes rose to the attack and five of the huge airships were brought down in French territory.

Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters in France telegraphs: "The approach of 11 Zeppelins was signalled throughout France late in the evening. At once the air defense squadrons and batteries all over the country were warned and the enemy's airships were attacked and scattered all over France like a flock of frightened birds.

"One Zeppelin was brought down at St. Clement, near Lunéville, by anti-aircraft guns. Two others were brought down or forced to land, one at Vergeron, in the department of Cote d'Or, and the other at La Marche, in Haute-Marne. One of these was damaged by French airmen and the others by gunfire.

"A fourth Zeppelin after being chased throughout Central France, through the districts of Lyons, Dijon and St. Marcelin, was brought down at Gap in the Haute-Alpes.

"No bombs were dropped in France by the Zeppelins, which were practically at the mercy of the French air defense service from the moment they crossed the coast.

"The four Zeppelins brought down in France were airships that had taken part in the raid on England last night. It is believed a fifth Zeppelin was destroyed at Bourbonne les Bains.

"(This probably refers to the Zeppelin brought down at Rambervillers, near the Alsatian border).

PARIS, Oct. 20.—A Zeppelin was brought down in flames late last night at Rambervillers, near the Alsatian border, and two others were forced to land. They belonged to a squadron composed of a large number of Zeppelins which flew over the Vosges.

## TWENTY-SEVEN PERSONS DEAD

### Zeppelins Fly at Great Height and Are Unseen in London.

LONDON, Oct. 20.—Of the 27 deaths officially reported as the result of last night's air raid, seven persons were killed outright by bombs that fell in the shopping district of London and 13 by a torpedo which destroyed three houses in the residential quarter. Of the latter victims, eight belong to one family—a mother and her infant, four girls and two boys.

Fifty-three persons were injured. It is reported from an eastern county that seven Zeppelins remained overhead there for several hours last night and dropped 50 bombs, including several of incendiary nature. No casualties resulted.

In the suburbs of London shortly before 11 o'clock last night five or six bombs were dropped in close proximity but no damage was done.

An aerial torpedo fell within the London district.

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## TACOMA OFFICIALS GET AFTER BAKERS

### MAYOR DECLARES TRUST INTENDS TO KEEP PRICES UP.

### City Attorney Asks Los Angeles How It Forced Bread Price Reduction.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 20.—(Special.)—Determined, he says, to enforce the manufacture and sale of a 5-cent loaf of bread and a large 10-cent loaf, City Attorney U. E. Harmon telegraphed to Los Angeles today for information regarding the mode of procedure taken there recently to force the bakers to reduce their prices.

"I had the bakers in a pocket last Winter for a time and some of them admitted it," said Mayor Fawcett today, "and this Winter I am going to make more headway because I believe I have the co-operation of the United States Government to back me up.

"There is no question in my mind now, and never has been, but that there is a bakers' trust in Tacoma, and unless they are compelled to do otherwise they never intend to decrease the price of bread or the size of the loaf."

## UNPAID TAXES \$640,064.69

### Multnomah County Delinquency Greatest in Seven Years.

Unpaid taxes of the 1916 tax roll in Multnomah County aggregated \$640,064.69, the heaviest amount of delinquent taxes in this county in the last seven years. The total of taxes on the 1916 tax roll was \$8,118,713.09, of which the record compiled by Chief Clerk Hucaby, of the Tax Collector's office, shows the collection of \$7,478,548.90. The percentage of unpaid taxes, which became delinquent October 6, equaled 7.8 per cent of the total roll.

Delinquent taxes for the preceding year aggregated \$698,907.91, or 7.5 per cent of the total tax roll of \$7,981,937.33. The amount of taxes becoming delinquent in preceding years ranged from \$147,321.01 in 1910 to \$356,014.91 in 1914. The records of the tax office show that the amount of delinquent taxes in this county has increased annually since 1910.

## JUDGE SEAWELL IS DEAD

### Distinguished Coast Jurist Passes Away at Bay City.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20.—Superior Judge James M. Seawell, San Francisco's oldest active jurist, died here early today of pneumonia. Death had been expected since yesterday.

Judge Seawell had handled practically every suit in which the city was involved since 1892 and his record showed but few appeals.

He was born in Fort Gibson, Indian Territory, in 1836. His father was an officer in the United States Army. Judge Seawell, who was widely known at the bench and bar throughout California, was a graduate of Harvard and of the University of Kentucky law school.

## FAIR WEATHER FORECAST

### Short Period of Rain Expected Wednesday or Thursday.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—The weather forecast for the week beginning October 21, announced today by the weather bureau, is:

Pacific States—Fair except for short period of rains on Wednesday or Thursday; no decided temperature changes.

## WOMEN RESUME PICKETING

### Four Members of Party Arrested on White House Grounds.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—Silent sentinels of the women's party resumed picketing the White House gates today and four of them, including Alice Paul, were arrested.

They later were released on bond for trial Monday.

## ESCAPED AMERICAN RELATES HARDSHIPS

### German Oppressors Are Outwitted.

## THRILLING STORY IS TOLD

### Seven Hard Months Spent in Teuton Prisons.

## CHANCE FOR BREAK COMES

### Charles W. Smith, Taken Captive in One of Mcowee's Raids, Tells of Tough Experiences in Captors' Hands.

(The following article by James O'Donnell Bennett explains in detail the hardships undergone by Wilton Charles Smith, of Newark, Conn., whose escape last week by Minister Morris at Stockholm.)

By JAMES O'DONNELL BENNETT. (Special Cable to the Tribune, Copyright, 1917, by the Tribune Company.)

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 15.—Looking like a wild man, a week's growth of beard on his face, his tongue swollen from six days' racking thirst, eyes blazing with fever, body shaking with nervous chills, but still full of fight, his German prison uniform ragged, an American made a flying leap for liberty from the deck of the German freighter Undine, Norrköping, Sweden, yesterday morning. He had suffered seven months of hard labor in the German prisons at Kiel, Dulmen, Brandenburg, and Lubeck following his capture by the German raider Mcowee.

Smith is from Norwalk, Conn., where he was employed as a brakeman on the New Haven Railroad. He is 34 years old and unmarried.

Smith leaped right into the arms of a Swedish dock policeman, who, after realizing that he had not caught a ghost or a maniac, demanded who he was, while the mate of the Undine was shouting the same question from the deck. For several seconds Smith's liberty hung in the balance while the policeman, the mate and he stood gazing at each other.

Aided by Stevedores.

"Where do you come from?" howled the mate, from the bowels of whose ship Smith had leaped.

Hearing the mate speak English, Smith shouted in reply, "Same place you did—Lubeck," whereupon the mate planned below, evidently to rout out the captain.

The Swedish stevedores, grasping the situation and manifestly sympathetic, shouted the policeman to move farther away from the ship with Smith, which he promptly did.

Smith, with imploring gestures, begged for water. The policeman understood. He guided Smith to a hydrant, where he thinks he must have drunk a gallon of water without stopping, the policeman patting him on the shoulders the while.

Prison Mark Ripped Off.

He was taken to the police station. A telegram was sent to the American Consulate at Stockholm. Immediate arrangements were made to have Smith sent to the Consulate, where he is now being cared for.

The Germans could not make any pursuit nor demand Smith's return to them after he had touched Swedish soil, for he had taken the precaution to rip the yellow armband lettered in black with the words, "Kriegsgefangener Nummer Neun" (War Prisoner No. 9) from his sleeve during the days he was in hiding on the Undine. His unmarked clothing, therefore, indicated that he was a member of the crew, and the Germans could make no claim for him.

Desperate from German prison fare and the deadly monotony of the life,

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## DRAFT MACHINERY IS MADE SIMPLER

### Registrants Divided Into Five Classes.

## CALLS IN ORDER PROVIDED

### Complications of Old System Are Eliminated.

## LOCAL BOARDS RELIEVED

### Men Hereafter Will Be Summoned in Order of Their Eligibility for Military Service—Difficult Problems Are Solved.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—A sweeping change in the machinery of the selective draft, based on division of the 9,000,000 remaining registrants into five classes in the order of their eligibility for military service, was announced today by Provost Marshal-General Crowder. Details of the plan, which has been approved by President Wilson, are not disclosed. It is calculated, however, to do away with virtually all the complicated machinery of the first draft, and to make the operation of the local boards hereafter little more than rubber-stamp proceedings.

The plan was worked out at conferences with local and district board officials and approved by the various state authorities. Its chief features are that every registered man will know his exact position and be able to arrange his affairs accordingly, and that no man deemed necessary in any important industry or needed at home to support his family will be called to the colors unless the military situation is desperate.

Procedure Simplified.

Provost Marshal-General Crowder issued this statement:

"With the completion of the draft of the first Army of 637,000 men a new system will be installed for the creation of succeeding armies, which will greatly lessen the labors of the local and district boards. So far as this has been accomplished that it is believed that under the new system 80 per cent of the work will be eliminated, while the forms to be used will not exceed 20 in number as compared with approximately 182 forms which the present system requires.

"Along with the reduction of labor there will be provided a system which will classify each one of the 9,000,000 men who have not yet been inducted into military service, and each man will have been given his place in the National scheme of defense.

"To do this it has been determined to obtain from each man complete information of a character which will definitely fix his economic worth as compared with his fellow registrants, and from the information thus obtained, to place him in one of five classes, each to be called in turn as the need arises.

Full Information Sought.

"The method of obtaining this information is through a 'questionnaire' a series of questions calculated to produce the information required. This document will be mailed to every registrant not yet in service, on a day to be fixed, seven days being given to each registrant to complete and return the same. Every opportunity will be offered to each man to complete his questionnaire fully and without error.

"The local boards will then examine each questionnaire and assign each registrant to one of five classes.

"These classes will be based upon every conceivable condition from the family or occupational standpoint, that

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## NAVY TO TRY OUT HARLEY AIRBOAT

### ASTORIA MAYOR, IN WASHINGTON, CONFERS WITH ADMIRAL.

### Rumor Says No Pacific Coast Naval Base Appropriations Are to Be Recommended.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 20.—Mayor Harley of Astoria, was in Washington today arranging with the Navy Department to demonstrate his training hydroplane next week at the Navy Aviation Field, near New York City.

The Department authorized the use of its fields for the purpose and will detail several officers to witness the tests. Mayor Harley, with his engineers, has just completed a new machine, which can be manufactured, constructed at a third to a half the cost the Government now is paying for training aeroplanes, and if his tests meet Navy requirements he hopes to have his machine adopted by the Government for the training of Navy aviators. Mayor Harley, while at the Department, conferred with Admiral Helm, head of the Naval Base Commission. Admiral Helm said that his board, in rendering its report, had done all it could for the Columbia River, and it is now up to the Congressional delegation to get the appropriation which has been recommended for a submarine base. It has been reported in Washington during the past few days that Secretary Daniels, as an economy movement, will not recommend any appropriations next session for naval bases of any kind on the Pacific Coast, and will ignore the Helm board report.

Mayor Harley heard nothing of this, but pointed out that if the Department does not include the naval bases in its regular estimates it will be necessary for the Oregon, Washington and California delegations next session to make a joint effort to get funds for carrying out the Helm board recommendations regarding bases in all three states.

## MONEY POURING IN FOR LIBERTY LOAN

### Official Figure Is Over \$8,000,000.

## LEADERS SURE OF SUCCESS

### Oregon's Quota, on Basis of Wealth, Is \$18,000,000.

## EASTERN SECTION AROUSED

### Plans Made for Whirlwind Finish, With Addresses in Various Districts of State and Intensive Work Throughout Portland.

OREGON will raise its liberty loan quota by Saturday night. This was predicted yesterday by leaders of the campaign after a stirring and successful day.

A new minimum for the state was fixed yesterday when the former figure of \$16,500,000 was put at \$18,000,000. This is because the new compilation of bank deposits of the state calls for a larger total, the quota being one-eighth of deposits.

Oregon must make it a \$10,000,000 week to do its bit, but this is now forecast with confidence.

Figure Nearly \$5,000,000.

Six business days remain for the completion of the task and it means that Oregon people must give over \$20,700 a minute during the 10 business hours of each of these days.

In other words, it will cost Oregonians about \$290 for every heartbeat during the 10 working hours of the next six days.

Eastern Reports Delayed.

Optimism spread around headquarters yesterday, when L. J. Simpson, of North Bend, returned from a state speaking trip. He found Eastern and Central Oregon banks active, but reports have been delayed. They have failed to report the progress they are making and this week, he believes, will see a veritable deluge of liberty bond money.

"Oregon will do its full duty," declared Chairman Miller, of the Oregon campaign, last night.

"Oregon's former minimum of \$16,500,000," said Mr. Miller, "was too low because it was based on bank deposits that have increased largely since the former figures were fixed.

"Oregon's Wealth Growing.

"The original quota of \$16,500,000 was taken on a basis of the last bank official report, but since that time approximately \$2,000,000 has been added to the bank deposits in Oregon which has only just come to light.

"The new figures are based on combined deposits of all the banks in the state eliminating inter-bank deposits.

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## REWARD GOES INTO BONDS

### Money Received for Capture of Jeff Baldwin Invested in "Liberty."

ALBANY, Or., Oct. 20.—(Special.)—The \$50 reward which Deputy Sheriff Joseph R. Frum, of Albany, received for capturing Jeff Baldwin, notorious escaped convict from the Oregon Penitentiary, has gone into a liberty bond.

Frum received the money from the state today and at once put the money, with an additional amount, into bonds.

Baldwin was captured September 25 after he had emptied his revolver at Frum and the officer had fired three times at him in a running battle in the streets of Sheed.

## GUARD OFFICERS WARNED

### Information Regarding Troop Movements Not to Be Divulged.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—A sharp order has gone out to all National Guard officers, forbidding them to communicate to state authorities any information as to movements of their own or other units of the Federal armies.

Two recent instances where messages of this character have come from Europe, revealing facts which the Government wished to be withheld from publication, prompted the action of the War Department.

## FITZ MAKES BRAVE FIGHT

### Physicians Hold Out Little Hope for "Bob's" Recovery.

CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—Robert Fitzsimmons, the pugilist, who is critically ill at a Chicago hospital, is making a brave fight for his life, although the attending physicians hold out little hope for his recovery. He was unconscious most of the day and is gradually losing strength.

His wife, who collapsed yesterday after being at the bedside for 48 hours without sleep, recovered sufficiently to resume her vigil today.

SOME EVENTS IN THE PAST WEEK'S NEWS PICTORIALLY INTERPRETED BY CARTOONIST REYNOLDS.

