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REPLY DUE IN ABOUT TEN DAYS

Germans Now Preparing It and Reported That Some Feature Are Favored

DEMANDS ARE FIRM

This Country Insists That Principles of Law and Humanity be Recognized

EMBARGO MATTER ALSO UP

Note Regarding Question With Great Britain is Being Prepared But Will Not be Presented Until German Answer Received

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19.—Official information was received today that Germany's reply to the American note will not be completed for at least a week and probably will not reach Washington for at least ten days.

It is now known with some definiteness that Germany will indicate a willingness to have submarines act toward all merchantment just as cruisers could giving ample time for passengers and crew to leave, provided the merchantmen were unarmed, or if passengers and contraband traffic is separated.

Received with Favor

That position is looked upon with some favor here, provided it is suggested as a modus vivendi and does not involve the relinquishment by the United States of the rights of citizens to travel anywhere on the high seas on a belligerent unarmed ship. There is insistence on the part of the United States, however, that the principles of law and humanity expressed in the note must be recognized by Germany and any intention to destroy American lives on the Lusitania must be disavowed.

Embargo Question

Another factor in the situation which is expected to be clarified in a day or two is that with respect to Great Britain over embargoes proclaimed by the Allies. That a note on the subject is practically completed is authoritatively known, but it was learned today that the President will probably not make any move in that direction until Germany's reply is received.

ACTS ON FRYE CASE

CLAIM OF AMERICAN VESSEL SENT TO PRIZE COURT

This Move Was Made However Before the American Note Had Been Received

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19.—Germany has sent to the prize court the case of the American ship William P. Frye, sunk in the South Atlantic by Prinz Eitel Frederick, but it is understood the German admiral took that action before it had received the American note insisting that damages be adjusted directly through diplomatic negotiations in Washington.

OLD SOLDIER DEAD

(Special to The Times)

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 19.—Patrick Burke, aged 78 years and an inmate of the Soldiers' Home here, died after a short illness. He had been at the home since 1899. He was a native of Ireland and served in the Civil war as a member of Company F, 69th New York Infantry.

NO HANDBAGS

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

BERLIN, May 19.—School girls must not carry their books in a hand bag but in a knapsack on the back. The minister of education is responsible for this new rule, which is shortly to be issued. The rule is directed to teachers, parents, and girls themselves. The minister declares that the habit of carrying books in handbags is likely to lead to curvature of the spine and derangements of internal organs.

Times want ads bring results.

EIGHTEEN IN CLASS

FOURTEEN GIRLS AND FOUR BOYS TO GRADUATE

Marshfield High School Commencement Will be Held June 3—School Ranks High

CLASS OF 1915

- Dora Grace Brown
Bertha Marian Davis
Cora Belle Dye
Bessie Ruth Douglas
Marjorie Henriette Graham
Mary Elsie Hall
Rena Marie Haglund
Samuel E. Hunter
Edith Helen Kaino
Mary Margaret Kruse
Noel Lapham
Allene B. Leader
Cecil Roberson
Margarete Katherine Stack
Olga Marie Shutter
Clara Myrtle Sergeant
Andrew Thomas
Lena Thornrose

Eighteen high school students on June 3 will receive their diplomas of graduation from the Marshfield High School and step out to take their places in the world. Seven of this number have already signified their intentions to continue with their educations.

The present senior class has a noted preponderance of young women, but four of the entire 18 being young men, a ratio that, as a rule, has not existed so prominently in former graduating classes.

At the same time the athletic emblems earned by athletes of the high school during the year will be presented. The Birch prizes for oratory will be given out and the winner of the Winkler chemistry prize will be announced.

Andrew Thomas, senior, last year won this latter prize, having been chosen from the entire chemistry class for his attainments in this line. When Whitman College offered several prizes to the senior classes of high schools in the Northwest that would write the best essays on given subjects there were 1277 papers submitted.

School Ranks Well

The enrollment of the Marshfield High School this year has been 168. There are seven instructors on the faculty, in addition to three supplementary teachers, in manual training, music and domestic science. On the statement of the Assistant Superintendent of State Instruction the local institution ranks well among those of the state with one of the finest buildings, best equipped, on any high school outside of Portland.

In his address former governor West told how Oregon, having been granted a billion feet of timber by the federal government for school purposes, sold it in haste for ten cents a thousand, the timber being worth now \$3.50 per thousand.

The senior annual publication is the Kioshewawa, meaning "good talk." It is a bright and clever little book, well filled with cuts, with take-offs, stories well written and the pictures of the graduating class and the faculty. The book will be out of the printer's hands within a few days.

This work is in the hands of Cecil Roberson, editor, and Will McDonald, business manager, aided by a host of willing assistants.

The officers of the senior class are Bertha Davis, president; Bessie Douglas, vice-president; Clara Sergeant, secretary and treasurer. On May 28 the class presents "The Schoolmistress," a comedy bubbling with laughter and witticisms that more than once has been played before large audiences. The coaching and the presentation is under the leadership of Miss and Mr. Silverman of the faculty.

Times Want ads bring results.

RUSSIANS ARE DRIVEN BACK

Defeat of Czar's Troop in Galicia Reaches Serious Proportions, It is Reported

FORCED TO RETREAT

Along Two Hundred Mile Line Give Way Positions as the Enemy Advances

THE DEFEAT IS ADMITTED

Allies Claim to be Making Gains in the Gallipoli Peninsula. But progress is Slow As the Turks Are Putting Up a Strong Resistance

LONDON, May 19.—Information from various sources indicates that the defeat of the Russians in Galicia has reached serious proportions.

The British correspondents who heretofore have been willing to concede but little to the Austrians and Germans, admit the Russians are forced to retreat along a 200 mile line and in one case the situation seems something like a collapse of the Russian forces.

It is reported that the allies are improving daily in their position on the Gallipoli peninsula. The progress is slow, however, and the Turks are offering an effective resistance on the western front. A lull came after heavy fighting during the last fortnight. Bad weather is interfering. Paris says there are no new developments.

FRENCH STATEMENT

PARIS, May 19.—The official statement this afternoon says: "Bad weather continues. There were no developments during the night with the exception of some artillery exchanges east of the Yser. Two attempted attacks on the part of the enemy were checked by our fire."

TALK WATER POWER

GOVERNORS OF THE WEST DECIDE NOT TO ACT

Oswald West Says He Would Surround All Resources With All Possible Safeguards

SEATTLE, May 19.—The conference of Western Governors passed the morning in discussing the question of the control of water power, whether by state or nation.

When an adjournment was taken, the sentiment seemed unanimously in favor of taking no action during the present conference, but to postpone the matter until Sept. 21, when the governors and others will attend the national water power conference in Portland.

In his address former governor West told how Oregon, having been granted a billion feet of timber by the federal government for school purposes, sold it in haste for ten cents a thousand, the timber being worth now \$3.50 per thousand.

"I am willing to take my part in unlocking the resources of the West, but I would throw all safeguards possible about them," said West. Governor Boyle of Nevada declared the states were clamoring for the privilege of giving away resources.

FOUR ARE INJURED

That number in Coos County Reported to The Commission

Fifty-three accidents in Oregon during the week were reported to Labor Commissioner Hoff. None were fatal. Of the total four were from Coos County as follows:

M. Mosteller, Marshfield, eye injured, sawmill; C. Wahlam, Marshfield, knee bruised, lath mill; Orrin Lattin, near Marshfield, knee bruised, logging; M. M. Abbott, near Marshfield, back bruised, logging.

Firemen's Dance, Eagles Hall, Sat. May 22. Everybody invited.

KAISER SEES FIGHT

PRESENT AT BATTLE SUNDAY ON THE EASTERN FRONTIER

With General Staff and Also Joins Division Where the Fighting is Thickest

AMSTERDAM, May 19.—An official statement issued in Berlin says Emperor William was present Sunday while the fighting was in progress on the Eastern frontier, first with the general staff and later with the division which was struggling to force a crossing of the River San.

IS CONDEMNED

SUFFRAGE LEADER REPUDIATES ACT OF ONE WOMAN

Says Attempt to Intrude Upon President Wilson at This Time Was Wrong

NEW YORK, May 19.—Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, chairman of the Empire State campaign committee, made public today a statement condemning the action of the woman suffragist who attempted to hand President Wilson, while he was here to review the fleet, a letter requesting him to give audience to a delegation of suffragists.

"The suffragists realize that no President since Lincoln has had such serious and delicate problems to solve," said the statement. "We are distressed that a person in the name of our cause should have attempted to intrude."

SLEUTH ASKS FEE

W. J. MITCHELL BEGINS SUIT AGAINST JOE COACH

Wants Some \$4,000 For Detective Services. Case Hard Fought, Open Strong Testimony

COQUILLE, May 19.—Since the close of the Waters-Davis case yesterday afternoon the Coach-Mitchell controversy which involves the payment of some \$4,000 claimed by W. J. Mitchell as due him from Joe Coach for detective services. The case is hard fought throughout and is leading to the exposure of strong testimony on subjects and principals involved in the Treadgold-Coach cases of last fall.

Joe Coach offered to make a \$1,000 settlement which was refused by Mitchell.

FIND MORE BODIES

REMAINS OF THREE LUSITANA VICTIMS ARE RECOVERED

Two Men Believed to Be Charles H. Lund and Montague Grant of Chicago

QUEENSTOWN, May 19.—The bodies of three victims of the Lusitania, two men and one woman, were recovered from the sea yesterday. The men are presumably Charles H. Lund and Montague F. Grant, both of Chicago. The woman is not identified.

CLEARING LAND

That he will get all the Russ willow lands west of this city on both sides of the river cleared this summer, W. L. Klister, the local agent of the Improvement company, says he has reason to hope. Already contracts have been made on 1,200 acres of the 2,200.

Contractor Beckham who has 200 acres on the old McAdams place near the railroad under contract had 50 acres cleared last Saturday and probably has nearly 70 by this time. With eighteen men at work he is making rapid progress.—Coquille Sentinel.

WATERFRONT NEWS

Coming from San Francisco and Eureka the Kilburn is due on Coos Bay Saturday and will leave the same day for Portland.

The Santa Clara is due to arrive here from Portland, some time tomorrow leaving soon after for Eureka and San Francisco.

From San Francisco the Nann Smith is due in here tomorrow morning, according to Agent C. F. McGeorge.

NEW STEAMER SERVICE OPENS

The Finland Runs From New York to San Francisco in Seventeen Day

ON HER INITIAL TRIP

Service Will be Maintained by This Boat and Sister Ship The Kroonland

GOES THROUGH THE CANAL

New Run is One Which Makes Closer Atlantic and Pacific Coast Points and Realizes Benefits of the Great Ditch

SAN FRANCISCO, May 19.—The American steamer Finland arrived here today on her initial trip from New York, inaugurating a seventeen-day service between San Francisco and New York, which is to be maintained by the Finland and her sister ship, the Kroonland.

HE WOULD PREPARE

PRINCETON PRESIDENT GIVES HIS VIEWS AT GATHERING

Does Not Favor Disarmament and Would Have Military Forces of U. S. in Readiness

MOHONK LAKE, May 19.—President Hibben of Princeton University stirred the Lake Mojonk conference on international arbitration today by taking issue with the pacifists who favor disarmament and by advocating a "wise preparedness of our military forces in the United States."

"To Guard Against War. I do not advocate preparedness for war," said Hibben, "but preparedness against war—a preparedness which in the event of the catastrophe of war itself will prevent an enormous initial sacrifice of human lives which has characterized every war in which the United States has engaged. By all means let us pay any price which can buy peace. But let us not forget that there are some things which cannot buy peace. If we sacrifice them in order to secure peace, the peace thus sought becomes the veriest torment of a living hell."

The conference was opened by Daniel Smiley. The President's address was delivered by John Bassett Moore.

SUMS UP THE CASE

COUNSEL FOR ROOSEVELT TRY TO JUSTIFY ACTS

SYRACUSE, May 19.—Chief Counsel Bowers for Roosevelt today summed up in the Supreme Court the case of the defense in the Barnes suit for libel. He assailed the truth of many statements made on the witness stand by the plaintiff and presented arguments designed to show that Roosevelt was justified in saying the things he did. The counsel for Barnes was to sum up the case of the plaintiff this afternoon.

OWN CEMETERY

BERLIN, May 19.—The soldiers of one German regiment who fell at Neuve Chapelle lie buried in a cemetery owned by the regiment. After the battle, one regiment concerned formally bought, through a lieutenant, about four acres of land near a small village back of the battle line. A landscape gardener was hired to lay out the cemetery.

ANOTHER IS SUNK

CARDIFF, Wales, May 19.—The British steamer Drumcree, which left Barry yesterday, was torpedoed in the English channel. The members of the crew were saved.

LAND MORE TROOPS

ALLIES HAVE DISEMBARKED MEN AT THE DARDANELLES

Turks Who Were Without Artillery Ammunition Have Received an Abundant Supply

ATHENS, May 19.—It is reported at Mytilene that the Allies disembarked fresh troops Monday night near Kum Kale on the Asiatic coast of the Dardanelles. It is also learned there that the Turks on Gallipoli Peninsula who for weeks lacked artillery ammunition, obtained an abundant supply in the last few days.

WILL MAKE CHANGE

ENGLAND PLANS TO RECONSTRUCT GOVERNMENT SOON

Premier Asquith Makes Announcement of the Plans in House of Commons Today

LONDON, May 19.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons today that steps were in contemplation which involved the reconstruction of the government upon a broader personal and political basis.

EIGHT SAILORS LOST

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT BOAT RAMMED BY SUBMARINE

Accident Happened Off Island of Orleans Last Night and Part of Crew Drowned

OTTAWA, Canada, May 19.—Eight members of the crew of the government vessel Christine were drowned when that steamer was rammed and sunk by a Canadian submarine off the island of Orleans last night.

TICK FEVER FATAL

FIFTEEN PERCENT OF PERSONS AFFECTED HAVE DIED

Dr. White Finds Disease Prevalent in Eastern Oregon and Plans to Fight It

PORTLAND, May 19.—Tick fever is more prevalent in Eastern Oregon this year than ever before, according to Dr. Calvin S. White of State Board of Health, who returned from there today. Fifteen percent of the persons contracting the fever have died. The State plans a campaign against it.

MANY OFFER AID

Soldier Asking For Skin for Wound Gets Response

LONDON, May 19.—"Skin: Officer requires 4x3 inch piece of skin to cover wound and expedite his return to duty; opportunity for unselfish patriot." This advertisement, which appeared this week in the personal column of the Times brought answers and offers of skin from more than fifty volunteers within two days. The advertiser is an army man confined in a hospital because of an aviation accident.

TOO MANY KILLED

War Insurance Company Gets Into Financial Troubles

BERLIN, May 19.—A military insurance company, the German Military Service and Life Insurance company of Hanover, has become involved in financial difficulties owing to the war. Through deaths at the front its payments have so increased that it has had to appeal for assistance to other companies, and thirteen of these have responded to the extent of some \$3,500,000. By drawing on its reserves the company has thus been enabled to meet \$7,000,000 of its obligations, but a further sum of nearly \$3,000,000 will be needed before the end of the year.

It is regarded as a noteworthy achievement that not a single important bank or other company has had to suspend since the war began.

ITALY LIKELY TO JOIN IN WAR

Regarded at Washington as Practically Certain She Will Clash With Austria

GERMAN AND TURKS

Would Also be Included and Diplomatic Arrangements Are Now Being Made

RAILROADS TAKEN OVER

Royal Decree Orders That All Lines and Stations in Italy be Under Direction of Military Authority—Forty Killed in Uprising

BULGARIA GETS BUSY

LONDON, May 19.—All reserve officers in the Bulgarian army have been called to the colors for months of training, says the Times dispatch from Sofia.

TAKE OVER ROADS

ROME, May 19.—A royal decree under which all railroad lines and stations in Italy are placed under the supervision of the military authorities is published by the Official Gazette.

It is regarded as assured that Italy and Austria will declare war and that it will be extended also as between Italy and Germany and Turkey. In that event the Rome government wishes American Ambassadors at Berlin and Constantinople to take over its diplomatic interests. Germany is reported to have asked Switzerland to take her interests.

MORE OFFERS MADE

ROME, May 19.—Foreign Minister Sonnino is reported to have informed the Council Ministers that offers of additional territorial concessions have been received from Austria.

VIENNA NOT INFORMED

VIENNA, May 19.—According to the prevalent impression here, no definite indications regarding the decision reached by the Italian cabinet as to Italy's future course has been received by the Austro-Hungarian government. The Salandra ministry may decide in favor of a peaceful settlement instead of war, but this is believed to slight a possibility to justify any optimism. The Austro-Hungarian government has gone so far in the way of territorial concessions that a peaceful settlement, even to outsiders, seems quite possible if Italy is so minded.

NO WEATHER REPORT

England Keeps Forecast For The Use of Army Only

LONDON, May 19.—No weather forecasts are to be issued to the newspapers by the British Meteorological Bureau.

At the beginning of the war the weather report service was greatly curtailed on orders from the War office, which asserted that it was information highly valuable to the enemy. A brief daily forecast, however, was continued. Even this, it is now pointed out, might prove useful to Germany if used in collaboration with information collected at local centers.