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ARMY OFFICERS TO TAKE CHARGE

Two Resign to Take Posts With Big Gun and Munition Factories of U. S.

HAS BEEN PENDING

Secretary Garrison Believes Country's Safety Rests With Development of Such Plants

ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE

Justice Department Had Not Decided Whether Officers Could Still Be Held in Government Employment—Resignations Accepted

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—Acting on the theory that the country's safety must rest on adequate development of its commercial gun and ammunition factories, Secretary Garrison announced today his decision to accept the resignation of Lieutenant Colonel Odus C. Horney and Major W. A. Phillips of the Army Ordnance Bureau, who have been offered posts with companies having large munitions contracts from the European belligerents.

STONE FAMOUS BELL

BOYS COMMIT FIRST VANDALISM AGAINST HISTORIC RELIC

Cast from High Bank Rocks Strike Bell Squarely But Does No Damage

WALLA WALLA, Wash., July 13.—Boys standing on a bank committed the first act of vandalism against the Liberty Bell by throwing rocks at the famous relic yesterday while the bell was in transit between this city and Pendleton, Oregon. One rock hit the bell squarely, but it is believed not to have injured it. This is said to be the first unpatriotic act in the bell's twenty-five hundred mile trip.

GET MORE LETTERS

WRITER SIGNING "PEARCE" SENDS MORE WARNINGS

One Received by New Orleans Paper and Another by Chief of Police There

NEW ORLEANS, July 13.—Two more letters, signed "Pearce," in which the writer threatens disaster to the British horse and mule ships were delivered today, one to an afternoon paper here and the second to Chief of Police Reynolds. The police regarded the letter seriously. Others are inclined to think the letters are a hoax.

FATHER OF C. W. KNIGHT DIES IN THE EAST

Was Civil War Veteran and 84 Years of Age—Sad Word is Received From Iowa

C. W. Knight, father of J. W. Knight, of this city, died at his home in West Union, Iowa, last Wednesday. The deceased was a veteran of the Civil War, in which he served for several years and was 84 years old.

L. J. SIMPSON HOME

SAYS TRAINS WILL CONNECT BEFORE JANUARY FIRST

Says Lumber Conditions Not Favorable and Sees Little Chance For Immediate Change.

Trains will run from Eugene into Coos Bay sometime between November 30 and January 1, according to L. J. Simpson of North Bend who arrived home overland this morning after having been in San Francisco on business for the past six weeks. Mr. Simpson stated today that he had every assurance the railroad work would be hastened with all possible speed. The bridge across the Umpqua River will not be done by the time stated but Mr. Simpson says the regular train will run down to the north side of the river, a transfer across will be made and a train from this end will meet the passengers and freight. So there will be rail service to Coos Bay by the close of this year. Trains will run to Acme on the Siuslaw River within two weeks.

CONDITIONS ARE BAD

Regarding general conditions Mr. Simpson said that he had little encouraging to give out. He expresses himself as being glad to get back to Coos Bay. Regarding the lumber industry and business, Mr. Simpson says:

"The conditions are bad. There is no improvement during the past two months and if anything, it is worse than it was and I am sorry to say that I do not see any immediate hope of a change at present. The war has had a bad effect on the lumber industry and I do not think that there will be any change for the better until the war is settled and there is a change of administration. Everyone on the outside seems to admire Wilson for his manner in handling the war problems but the feeling among those with whom I came in contact was that there must be a change of administration before the times get better."

GOING TO SHORE ACRES

"I have nothing to give out at present about my local plans. As soon as the addition to my house at Shore Acres is finished, which will probably be in about two weeks, I expect to go down there to make my home. I understand there are some plans on foot in North Bend to have a celebration in observation of the completion of the bridge and although I have not heard any of the details yet I think it would be a splendid plan.

When asked whether he had done anything regarding his campaign for congressman from this district, Mr. Simpson said that while in San Francisco he was so busily engaged with other matters that he did not have time to give the matter any thought.

STEPS OFF DOCK

STEPHEN DANCHEF, GREEK, DROWNS THIS AFTERNOON

Was Loading Lumber Onto Scow at Porter Mill—Is Said Companions Were Near at the Time

BODY RECOVERED

The body of the Greek drowned at North Bend was found this afternoon.

Stephen Dancheff, a Greek, loading lumber onto a scow at the Porter Mill at one o'clock this afternoon, accidentally stepped off the dock backwards and despite the presence of several workmen, drowned. Shortly after grappling hooks were taken down and the bay is being dragged for the body.

Little is known of Dancheff. He is said to be unmarried and that he was a cousin of Tony, a well-known Greek who has worked for years for Captain Edgar Simpson.

WILL OPEN BIDS

North Bend Council Will Hold Meeting Tonight

The North Bend City Council will meet tonight. Bids will be opened for the paving of part of Virginia avenue and McPherson. An ordinance will be passed making an assessment for the four blocks already paved on Sherman avenue. Other business will be transacted.

THOMAS EDISON TO HEAD BOARD

Great Genius Will Head Body of Inventors to Aid the U. S. Navy

ASKED BY DANIELS

An Appeal Was Made on the Grounds of Patriotism and Place Accepted

BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Will Look After the Development in Navy Department—Improvement of Submarines and Aeroplanes An Important Consideration

Men considered for naval scientific board are: Thomas Edison, world famous inventor (accepted); Alexander Graham Bell, great telephone and electrical inventor; Simon Lake, expert on submarine boats; Orville Wright, one of America's greatest aviators; Hudson Maxim, gun and explosive genius; Henry Ford, one of leading auto makers.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—Thomas A. Edison's announced acceptance of Secretary Daniels' request that Edison head an advisory board of civilian inventors for the proposed bureau of invention and development in the Navy Department was received today with gratification by officials. An appeal was made to Edison on patriotic grounds. One of the pressing problems to confront the new bureau will be the improvement of the Navy's submarine and aeroplanes.

"What we want to do," said Secretary Daniels today, discussing the new bureau, "is to apply the inventive genius of America to work for the navy and study what we ought to do. The idea of the advisory board will be to explore unknown realms of naval construction and develop possibility of naval warfare. We want the advice of genius as to new lines."

Secretary Daniels suggested as a possibility the establishing of a large naval testing laboratory in Washington.

Among the names mentioned today to Secretary Daniels were Alexander Graham Bell, Simon Lake, Orville Wright, Hudson Maxim and Henry Ford. Secretary Daniels refused to discuss probable selections until he is ready to announce acceptances.

MAKE AN ATTACK

BRILLIANT PARADE IS HELD AT SEATTLE TODAY

Sixty Temples of the Order and Forty Bands Take Part in Big Event

SEATTLE, Wash., July 13.—The 41st annual session of the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, began here today after a parade participated in by 60 temples and 40 bands. Richly embroidered costumes made of the long line a brilliant spectacle. The welcoming addresses were responded to by Imperial Potentate F. R. Smith.

MAY HAVE LEFT

John Volenter, Missing, May Have Gone From City

John Volenter, of Ballinger, missing for several days and searched for yesterday, is still gone today and the belief in Bay City is that he has left the country. At the Maloney boarding house is a trunk and two suit cases belonging to him. It is said he had only two or three dollars when he left.

APPLIES TO STRIKE

GOVERNMENT TAKES HAND IN SOUTH WALES TROUBLES

Munitions of War Act Will be Effective in the Coal Mine Strikes.

DECLARED OFFENSE

LONDON, July 13.—An official proclamation will be issued today making it an offense to take part in a coal strike.

LONDON, July 13.—That the British government has decided to apply the munitions of war act to the South Wales coal strike, because the strike is prejudicial to the transportation of munitions, was announced today in the House of Commons by Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade.

BARTER TERRITORY

RUSSIA MAKES INDUCEMENTS TO WIN OVER RUMANIA

Would Add Austrian Territory to Balkan State for Support in War

KINGS TO CONFER

ATHENS, July 13.—A dispatch to a London newspaper says the Kings of Greece, Rumania and Bulgaria will hold a conference soon at Athens.

BERLIN, July 13.—The Tageblatt's correspondent at Cernowitz, Bukovina, says: "The Russians are rushing the work of fortifying the Rumania border. Thousands of men are digging trenches and building wire entanglements."

The Russian government of Bessarabia borders Rumania on the East. Austro-Hungary is reported having pledged Rumania to undertake Bessarabia's conquest and transfer it to the Balkan state in exchange for Rumania's support in the war. Russia has been trying to win Rumania to the allies by offering the Hungarian territory of Transylvania, bordering Rumania on the West.

HOLD MAIN DEFENSE

FRENCH DID NOT LOSE ALL WHEN CEMETERY TAKEN

Germans Renewing Their Efforts to Explore the French Fortress at Verdun

PARIS, July 13.—The loss of the Souchez cemetery and adjacent trenches by the French indicated yesterday in an official statement does not affect the principal defense in that region, say French experts.

The Germans are redoubling their efforts to explore the French fortress of Verdun after a failure of their plan in the Argonne forest. The Germans are now trying by concentrated attacks in the Woivre district to take important parts of the citadel by establishing batteries within range of the fortress.

REACHES BIG SUM

BRITISH WAR LOAN ALMOST AT \$3,000,000,000 MARK

Official Announcement is Made Today in the House of Commons of England

LONDON, July 13.—That the subscriptions of the British war loan had reached a total of nearly three billion dollars was officially announced today.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids will be received by John Blasco on July 19 for 50 cords of 3 foot fir wood and 25 cords of 3 foot alder wood to be delivered at school house in District No. 26, Coos River.

Libby COAL The kind YOU have ALWAYS USED. Phone 72. Pacific Livery and Transfer Company.

ROBLES IS TO TAKE COMMAND

Will Be Active Head of the Villa Army in Mexico

WOULD HAVE PEACE

Belief is Robles Would be Able to Affect Some Agreement With Carranza

PUT OBREGON TO FLIGHT

Report is That Villa Has Won a Victory Over His Enemy and That His Army is Now Marching Toward the South

EL PASO, July 13.—General Villa is about to turn the active command of his army over to General Jose Robles in order that some terms of peace may be agreed upon, according to an unconfirmed report credited here today by prominent Carranza adherents. The reports states that Villa's officers insisted on his retirement in favor of Robles, believing Robles would be able to effect some agreement with Carranza. Robles is said to have been an intermediary in a plan for peace in Mexico.

Unofficial reports from the South tend to confirm the Villa reports of his having forced Obregon to flight and that Villa's forces are moving south.

GUNBOAT BLUFFING

CARRANZA WARSHIP DID NOT BOMBARD CITY

Instead of Carrying Out Threat Quietly Pulled Away From the United States Cruiser

GUAYMAS, July 13.—The Carranza gunboat Guerrero, instead of carrying out the threatened bombardment here last night, quietly departed for the south. Admiral T. B. Howard, of the cruiser Colorado, had previously warned the gunboat's commander that foreigners or their property must not be injured.

SHRINERS GATHER

FRENCH BIRD MEN DROP 175 BOMBS ON STATION

Report That Allies Have Made Slight Gains on the Gallipoli Peninsula

LONDON, July 13.—According to telegrams received here 35 French aeroplanes swept over the railroad station serving the Calonne trench region and Apremont forest. One hundred and seventy-five bombs were dropped and several fires were started.

Through Mitylene and Athens, Paris has a report that the Entente Allies, as a result of another battle of the Gallipoli peninsula, have advanced 200 yards.

Hard fighting continues in the Woivre region, where the Germans are believed in Paris to have resumed a drive at Verdun.

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ELKS FLOURISHING

REPORT SHOWS ORDER TO BE IN GOOD SHAPE

During Year 43,000 New Members Admitted Making Total of Almost Half a Million

NICHOLSON ELECTED

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 13.—James R. Nicholson of Boston, was elected exalted ruler at the opening session here today of the grand lodge.

LOS ANGELES, July 13.—The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is in a flourishing condition both as to finances and membership, according to reports submitted today at the annual session of the grand lodge of the order.

Fred C. Robinson, Grand Secretary; Charles A. White, Grand Treasurer; the Board of Grand Trustees and the committee on auditing, made their reports.

During the year ending April 1, 1915, 43,085 new members were admitted to the order, bringing the total membership to 442,658. There were 16,228 members dropped from the rolls, 232 expelled; 78,430 admitted and there were 4791 deaths. Thus the net increase was 14,981. Ten new lodges were added, bringing the total to 1326.

There is a surplus of \$694,547 in the treasury of the Grand Lodge while subordinate lodges have net assets of \$26,515,739.

RESOURCES ENOUGH

CANADIAN PREMIER SAYS EMPIRE IN GOOD CONDITION

Wired Imperial Government That Canada Regarded the War as Her Own Affair

LONDON, July 13.—Four days before the war broke out, I telegraphed the Imperial government that if war ensued Canada would regard it as her own," Sir Robert L. Borden, the Canadian premier told a cheering audience at a luncheon given in his honor today by the House of Commons. He declared that for the purposes the resources of the British Empire were abundant and the empire could congratulate itself on the conditions of the affair today.

STUDYING THE NOTE

PRESIDENT SPENDS THE DAY AT CORNISH UNDISTURBED

Will Have Plan Mapped Out When He Returns to the National Capital

CORNISH, N. H., July 13.—Giving directions that he be left undisturbed and paying less attention than usual to his morning mail from Washington, President Wilson devoted himself today to a study of the latest German note, the official text of which was before him. Indications were the President would stay here several days longer and by the time he returns to Washington it is expected he will have mapped out in a general way the next step in the American policy.

RED MEN MEET

Great Chief of Records Hamig Meets With Local Order

About 20 members of the Redmen were present at the meeting held last evening with Great Chief of Records Hamig, of Portland, in attendance.

Plans were discussed for the starting of a membership campaign and the members present also believed that something should be done in the way of securing a building.

Mr. Hamig gave them some good advice and suggested that bonds be issued for the purchase of a lot and the erection of a building suitable for the needs of the lodge. This will later be taken up and acted upon.

NOTICE

I am not responsible for bills contracted in my name by my son, Edward G. Dyer.

EDWARD E. DYER.

AUSTRIA HAS HAD REVERSES

Extent of Deafeat Not Known as Reports From Southern Poland are Conflicting

FEAR SUDDEN MOVE

Russians Think General Mackenzen Who is Silent May Make a Sudden Attack

ARE AFTER RUMANIA'S AID

Tuetic Allies Using Every Means to Get Her On Their Side or Remain in Condition of Friendly Neutrality

LONDON, July 13.—Contradictory reports regarding the extent of the Austro-Hungarian reverse at Krastnik, in Southern Poland, continue, some even asserting that the Austro-Hungarians are contemplating a general retreat, but the mystery of the situation lies in the persistent silence of Field Marshal Mackenzen, who apparently is making no effort to push the advance on Warsaw.

Petrograd reasons this inactivity due to Mackenzen's fear of exposing his left flank while the Austrians were on the defensive.

Fear Sudden Move.

Some London observers fear Mackenzen is planning an unexpected coup.

Want Rumania.

Balkan dispatches state that the Teutonic allies are straining every diplomatic resource either to win Rumania over or to induce that state to remain in a condition of friendly neutrality.

Reach Deadlock

Bulgaria and Turkey are reported to have reached a deadlock on negotiations because of Sofia's refusal to do more than preserve friendly neutrality in return for territorial compensations from Constantinople.

CAN INSURE NOW

BRITISH GOVERNMENT PLANS TO PROTECT PROPERTY

People Can Protect Themselves Against Loss From Aircraft and From a Bombardment

LONDON, July 13.—The government has completed a plan for state insurance against damage by aircraft and bombardment which will be worked in connection with the fire insurance officers. Private dwellings are included in the new insurance plan, the rate for which being two shillings against aircraft and three shillings against aircraft and bombardment.

IRIS ELROD TO WED

WILL BE MARRIED TOMORROW TO MISS RUTH WOODFORD

Wedding Will Take Place at Coquille, Where the Bride Makes Her Home.

Iris Elrod, whose home is in Marshfield, but who for some time past has been manager of the Woolen Mill Store at North Bend, will be married tomorrow at Coquille to Miss Ruth Woodford of that city. Both the bride and groom are quite well known in the county.

Several social events have recently been given Miss Woodford at Coquille in honor of her approaching marriage.

Water Turned Out.—The water was turned off for a short time in one section of the central part of the city this morning to make repairs in a broken main.

Eyes scientifically examined. Proper glasses fitted. — Red Cross Optical Department.