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RAINS CAUSING FLOODS IN EAST

Rivers Throughout Northern Illinois are Swollen and Overflow Their Banks

DO MUCH DAMAGE

No Loss of Life Has Been Reported From Stricken District So Far

CITIES ARE INUNDATED

Property Losses Are Reported from Aurora, Elgin, St. Charles, Batavia and Geneva—Rain Continuous Throughout the Night

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—Rivers throughout northern Illinois, swollen by the rain which fell almost continuously throughout the night, today overflowed their banks and inundated a score of cities and villages.

No loss of life is reported but the damage will reach several hundred thousand dollars.

Aurora, Elgin, St. Charles, Batavia and Geneva reported much damage.

TOWN SURROUNDED

Charlotte, Iowa, Suffers From the Flood of Waters

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

CLINTON, Iowa., Jan. 21.—A flood of water, the result of 24 hours of rain, converted the creeks into raging torrents, flooded lowlands and completely surrounded the town of Charlotte.

CITIES CUT OFF

Floods in Arizona Are Doing Much Damage

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 21.—Flood conditions continued today throughout Arizona, crippling traffic, damaging property and, according to reports, causing the loss of five or six lives. The flood waters of rivers and streams are reported somewhat lower. Clearing weather throughout the state is believed to presage the end of the storm. Bisbee, Douglas and Nogales, are still cut off from wire and railroad communication.

ROBS BANK VAULT

LONE HIGHWAYMAN OPERATES AT CULVER CITY, CAL.

Backs Cashier Into Vault at Point of Revolver and Takes $500

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21.—Backing the cashier into the vault at the point of a revolver, a lone highwayman today robbed the Culver City Commercial and Savings Bank of Culver City of $500 and escaped.

IMMUNITY IS ASKED

CONFESSED GERMAN SPY WHO ESCAPED, WRITES LETTER

Lincoln Will Surrender if Freed of the Forgery Charge Held Against Him

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—The local bureau of investigation of the department of justice received a letter today from Ignatius T. Treblich Lincoln, a confessed German spy who escaped Saturday, in which the writer offered to surrender at once if guaranteed immunity from prosecution on a forgery charge which caused his arrest.

The forgery charge was preferred by the British Consulate, and he was being held pending extradition. Lincoln contended after his arrest that the British authorities did not wish to try him on the forgery charge, but to execute him as a spy.

Stop at The Myrtle Arms for tea Saturday afternoon and enjoy the musical program. Invitations extended to all. Refreshments 15 cents. Given by Episcopal Guild.

VILLA AT LIBERTY

CARRANZA AUTHORITIES DENY STORY OF CAPTURE

Adherents Say He is Safe With Several Hundred Followers Hiding in the Mountains

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

EL PASO, Texas., Jan. 21.—Denial from Carranza official sources that Villa has been captured, as reported from Chihuahua, was supplemented today by statements from Villa partisans here, alleged to be based upon reliable information that he and several hundred followers were safe in the Tarahumare mountains, west of Guerrero.

Officials of the defacto Mexican government here had not received confirmation today of the reported capture of Villa. The Carranza commander at Chihuahua positively denies the report.

HAVE HEAVY SNOW

TWO WASHINGTON TOWNS HAVE FOURTEEN FEET

Martin and Laconia, Both on Crest of the Cascades Are About Covered Up

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Jan. 21.—Four feet of snow fell at Martin on the Northern Pacific Railway, and at Laconia on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul last night. Both points, which are on the crest of the Cascades, are now covered with 14 feet of snow.

SCHOOL BOARD ACTS

WILL ACCEPT TAXES WITH SIX PERCENT INTEREST

County Court This Afternoon Fails to Agree and Whole Thing is Called Off

TAX MATTER IS PRACTICALLY OFF

District Attorney Liljeqvist said this afternoon an effort to bring the county court to an agreement on the Kinney tax settlement had failed and the members went home. Frank B. Waite said this practically ends the matter and he expects to leave for home in the morning. He said that they, the court, had led him to believe that, once getting the opinion of the Port, of North Bend and the school board there, that they, the court, would agree. The other bodies were favorable to the compromise of lopping off half the 12 percent interest and the penalties.

The North Bend school board yesterday afternoon took action on the proposition of F. E. Waite to compromise the taxes on the Kinney property. The school board came to practically the same decision as the city council. The board is willing to eliminate the penalties and take the principal of the taxes and six per cent interest instead of twelve per cent.

Makes Proviso

One proviso is made and that is that Mr. Waite deed to the school board four lots whereon is located the water supply which furnishes the school. The school district now own a part of this property covering the actual water site but the whole four lots are wanted so that the property can be fenced and the water supply properly protected.

This report together with that of the city council will be submitted to the county court and it will be up to that body to act.

Talk of Contest

There was some talk today that some of the unsecured creditors would start some legal action to prevent the county from making this compromise. However, nothing definite has been given out but it is said that something of the kind will be done.

PROPOSES AVIATION SCHOOL FOR THE SOUND

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan 21.—Three hundred thousand dollars for the purchase of a site on Puget Sound for an army aviation school was proposed by Representative Humphrey in a bill today.

TAKES LIVES OF FIVE NEGROS

Bodies Found Hanging to One Limb of Tree Near Starkville, Georgia

TAKEN FROM PRISON

Were Suspected of Having Killed Sheriff Moreland of Lee County Recently

FATHER AND THREE SONS

Four of the Victims All in One Family—A Sixth Man Was Taken From Jail, but Has Not Yet Been Found

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

ALBANY, Ga., Jan. 21.—Five negroes taken from the Worth County jail at Sylvester were hanged to one limb of a tree on the outskirts of Starkville some time during the night.

The bodies containing many bullet holes, were cold when found this morning. Six negroes were taken from the jail. They were being held as suspects in connection with the killing of Sheriff Moreland of Lee County.

Several autos appeared at the jail carrying men who overpowered the jailer.

Father and Sons

Four of the negroes were of one family, Felix Lake and three sons. Sheriff Moreland was killed at the Lake home when he went there to arrest a negro. What became of the sixth negro taken from the jail is not known.

500,000 GUNS AVAILABLE

300,000 More Outfits Could Be Had by America In 90 Days

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 21.—Quartermaster-General Aleshire told the House military committee here that equipment for an army of 800,000 men was either in the Government storehouses or can be bought in the open market in less than three months. Equipment for 500,000 is in Army or militia depots; and manufacturing concerns, the General said, could easily turn out equipment for 300,000 in 90 days.

STUDENTS ON STRIKE IN PORTO RICO

Brought Back by Threat to Move the High School to Some Other City

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Jan. 21.—After being on strike for almost two months the High School students at Arecibo returned to their books.

The strike started on October 29, following a reported robbery of one of the students. The students became offended when they were compelled to undergo a search by a detective. The strike was ended only after Commissioner of Education, Paul G. Miller, told the parents of the students that unless they returned to school at once the High School would be removed from Arecibo to some other city.

The students returned under Principal Maurice H. Esser, a Colgate College graduate, whose removal they had demanded. The strike was ended this week.

DEMOCRATS LEAD AT PORT ORFORD SO FAR

First Week of Registration Gives Same Indication of the Political Feeling There

(Special to The Times)

PORT ORFORD, Ore., Jan. 21.—This section of Curry county is decidedly for Wilson for president. During the first week that the registration was open a total of 23 persons registered. Of this number 21 registered as democrats, one as a republican and one as a socialist. It is stated that among the democrats are many republicans who registered as democrats because they are in favor of Wilson's serving another term as president.

FOOTE AUTO SERVICE

After overhauling my cars, I am prepared for charter service. Parties desiring cars day or night can reach me at the Right Cafe.

—D. L. FOOTE

Dr. Leslie, Osteopath, Marshfield

PLANS A CAMPAIGN

PRESIDENT WILL MAKE FOUR OF BIG CITIES

Will Speak In Support of His Fight For National Preparedness in This Country

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 21.—President Wilson will open his fight for national preparedness with a speech at Pittsburg Jan. 29. His itinerary for speeches at Cleveland, St. Louis, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Des Moines and Davenport. His second tour will begin February 15. He probably will go as far west as Denver and return through the South.

POLICY IS ATTACKED

SPEAKERS AT NATIONAL SECURITY LEAGUE VEHEMENT

Refer to the Utter Unprepared Condition of the United States Army and Navy

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 21.—Attacks on the administration's foreign policies and pointed references to the "utter state of unpreparedness of the army and navy" were features of the addresses by speakers today before the National Security League. Arraignment of the foreign policies of the administration were made by Henry A. Wise Wood, chairman of the conference committee on national defense.

CONVICTS ARMED

ESCAPED PRISONERS BREAK INTO ARKANSAS DEPOT

Obtain Guns and Ammunition Which Was Shipped to a Hardware Firm

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 21.—The convicts who escaped Wednesday night from the state penal farm at Cummins, last night robbed the depot at Moscow, Arkansas, 15 miles from Cummins, and obtained arms and ammunition shipped to a hardware store at that place. Twenty-three convicts escaped. Only five have been captured.

Orders "Dead or Alive"

Because of the fear that some of the more desperate members will fight to the last to prevent capture, 50 guards searching the woods have been given orders that Lee Blound, "Blackie" Williams and Charles Owens, all murderers, be taken dead or alive.

Rewards for Williams alone are said to total $15,000 in half a dozen states.

ARREST AGITATORS

JAPANESE AUTHORITIES TAKE FOUR IN CUSTODY AT TOKIO

Ringleader Confesses That He Threw Bombs at Premier Okuma's Automobile Recently

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

TOKIO, Jan. 21.—Four young political agitators were arrested for the recent attempt on the life of Premier Okuma. The ringleader of the group confessed that he threw bombs at the Premier's auto recently.

SHIPS 744,000 LBS. BUTTER

Chicago Firm Makes Big Shipment on Hurry Order from Russian Czar

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—What is believed to be the world's largest single shipment of butter—744,000 pounds of it—is on its way from New York, consigned by a Chicago firm to the Russian government. Agents of the government asked the company last Saturday how soon they could start the shipment to New York and were told it would be on its way by midnight. The czar is reported to have paid approximately 28 cents a pound for the butter.

U. S. TO MAKE OWN DYES?

Government Expert Says Manufactures Have Increased Fivefold Since War Began

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 21.—Seventeen months of the European war, according to a report issued today by Dr. Thomas H. Norton, the government's dyestuff expert, has seen American manufacturers increase fivefold and now this country is producing one-half of the colors it normally uses. Hope is held out that by 1917 the great bulk of artificial dyes consumed here will be made from American raw material.

REPORTS ABOUT PEACE DIFFER

Vienna Announces That Montenegro Has Not Broken Off From Austria

OTHER STORY TOLD

Consul at Paris Says Balkan State Will Fight to the Bitted End

CONDITIONS NOT KNOWN

Austria Has Not Announced What Would be Demanded if Negotiations Continue—All Soldiers Must Lay Down Arms

SAYS FIGHT MUST GO TO THE BITTER END

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

PARIS, Jan. 21.—The Montenegrin Consul in Paris makes an official announcement that all negotiations between Montenegro and Austria have been broken off and that Montenegro has decided to fight to the bitter end.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

VIENNA, Jan. 21.—It is announced here that the press reports that Montenegro has discontinued peace negotiations are unfounded. It is stated that as yet the laying down of arms demanded by Austria has not yet been completed by the Montenegrins and until this is done by all the Montenegrin troops, peace conditions will not be discussed.

(The foregoing may have been filed before the time of the announcement of the breaking off of peace negotiations credited by Rome to the Montenegrin government.)

Conditions Not Known

The conditions have not yet been stated as Austro-German Peace Commissioner Otto, formerly Austrian Minister at Oettinje, is still enroute for that city, and arrived at Serajevo today.

It is added that several days will be required before all the Montenegrin troops will come in from the hills and surrender. Only then are the actual negotiations to begin.

What the Austro-Hungerian terms will be cannot yet be published, but they will include the retention of Mount Lovcen.

WATCHING CHINA

ALLIES MAY TRY TO PUT OFF GOVERNMENT CHANGE

Coronation of Emperor Has Been Postponed Because of Uprisings in the South

CORONATION IS POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

PEKING, Jan. 21.—The coronation of Yuan Shi Kai as emperor of China has been postponed infedinitely. The reason given officially is the uprising in southern China.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

TOKIO, Jan. 21.—A conference between the emperor, the elder statesmen and the members of the cabinet has created the impression that the entente allies, under the leadership of Japan, are discussing the possibility of a new step to secure the postponement of the formation of a monarchy in China until the end of the European war.

PLANS CANCELLED

Enthronement Was Arranged to Occur in February

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

PEKING, Jan. 21.—The foreign office notified the various legations today that Chinese government had decided that the enthronement would take place early in February, but that Yuan Shi Kai had issued an order cancelling the arrangements in view of the disturbances in Yunnan province. No intimation was given when the enthronement will take place.

MUCH BOOTY TAKEN

TEUTONS HAVE TAKEN NEARLY THREE MILLION PRISONERS

Munitions of War Have Been Seized and Large Area of Territory Has Been Occupied

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LONDON, Jan. 21.—An Amsterdam dispatch to the Central News says the total booty of the Teutonic allies during 17 months of the war summed up in Vienna as follows: nearly 3,000,000 prisoners, 10,000 guns and 40,000 machine guns, while 470,000 square kilometers of the enemy's territory is occupied.

BOAT IS BLOWN UP

ENTIRE CREW LOST WHEN VESSEL STRIKES MINE

Dispatch from Amsterdam Says Dutch Schooner Is Destroyed in a German Trap

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The loss of a Dutch schooner which ran into a German mine field six miles south of Copenhagen is reported by the Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Mail. The schooner was blown up, the dispatch says, and the entire crew lost.

ALLOWED TO CROSS

PEACE DELEGATES MOVE AFTER BEING DETAINED

Are Allowed to Go Through Germany After Authorities Held Them Up

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

THE HAGUE, Jan. 21.—After being delayed nearly a week by the German military authorities' refusal to let them pass through Germany, 33 Scandinavian members of the Ford peace party reached their home today. The American members were informed today they would be permitted to pass through Germany and they planned to leave immediately.

WAR ADDS TO U. S. WEALTH

Ammunition, Not Including Dynamite, to Value of More Than $121,000,000 Goes to France

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 21.—Ammunition, not including dynamite, to the value of $121,743,947, was shipped to Europe from the United States during the 15 months ended October, 1915, according to figures prepared by the Department of Commerce presented to the Senate today by Chairman Stone of the foreign relations committee. Shipments of cartridges were valued at $25,175,184, gunpowder at $25,972,905, other explosives, $53,581,225, and firearms $13,413,625.

OPEN SALOON AN ISSUE IN ENGLAND

Has Entered Into Political Affairs of the Country During the War Times

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LONDON, Jan. 21.—One of the sideshows in British politics has been the violation of the political truce by a candidate contesting a seat in parliament on the single issue of the open saloon. Reginald Knight, whose defeat was early foreseen, did not fight so much as champion of the open saloon as for the liberties which he claimed went with the open saloon. Liberty, freedom, self-respect, self-reliance and the right of the social habits of the people to live were his catchwords. Even the beer and distilling trade was not responsible for Knight's candidacy. It did not even endorse him. Knight himself had the name of being a sincere and a rather simple hearted man, with a good record for usefullness in public life.

When the Board of Control curtailed the liquor hours of the Cleveland parliamentary division in Yorkshire, the miners were inclined to take it as a personal affront. Some of the union officials denounced it as class legislation. Knight was quick to take advantage of this discontent and announced himself as candidate for the seat, which chanced to become vacant at this time.

Opposing Knight was Herbert Samuel, M. P., the postmaster general, who under the compromise made between the regular parties when the coalition cabinet was formed, should have retained his place without a contest. Samuel's victory was easy.

NOTICE

To the patrons and all interested: The Coos Bay Creamery Association will discontinue the manufacture of butter on February 1, 1916, and manufacture cheese exclusively.

J. J. CLINKINBEARD, Manager.

RUSSIAN FORCE FIGHTING HARD

Attacks Against the Teutons Are Growing in Intensity it Is Reported Today

BATTLE IN THE AIR

Most of Fighting on Western Front is Conducted Now Above Ground

EXPECT DEVELOPMENTS

Both Sides Are Preparing for More Favorable Weather—Infantry Not Taking Much Part Right Now On Either Side

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The Russian attacks against the Austrian front in Galicia are growing in intensity, according to reports today. Vienna however, asserts that the assaults were repeatedly repulsed.

The German troops are engaged in only minor operations along the front, between Pinsk and Czartorysk-Berlin asserts. Small detachments of Russians were thrown back.

In the West the lull in infantry operations continues, while battles are fought in the air. Both sides apparently are busy preparing for important developments with the return of more favorable weather conditions.

Unofficial advices say Austria has resumed the invasion of Montenegro.

RAILWAY EARNINGS BIG

Increase Is More Than 18 Per Cent Over Same Period in 1914

CHICAGO, Ill., 21.—Gross earnings of United States railroads continue to reflect a large movement of freight in all parts of the country, the total of all roads making weekly returns that have reported for December amounting to $42,085,042, an increase of 18.7 per cent as compared with the corresponding month a year ago.

RELIEF PARTY OUT

WEI Seek Family Snowbound in Douglas County

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 21.—The party which started to the relief of T. A. McCallister and family is expected to be heard from soon.

The McCallister family lately located about six miles from the summit of the mountains in the Coast Range, having gone there just before Christmas, and no tidings have come from them since. Supplies to relieve their necessities were taken by the party. Mr. McCallister, with his wife and two small children, is reported living in a tent or a small cabin which he erected there, and as the snow is several feet deep on the mountains there is considerable anxiety as to their safety. The rescue party will have to travel on snowshoes to reach them.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LIFE UNHAPPY ONE

Everybody Picks on Him, at Least He Says So, and He Ought to Know if Anyone Does

Early this morning, at least early for the legal profession, R. O. Graves walked smilingly into the office of District Attorney Liljeqvist. It was a happy smile he wore, and he dug deep into his coat pocket as he came into the office.

"Oh, see what a beautiful little present a friend sent me this morning?" he essayed, and tendered the D. A. a little plush covered box resembling a safety razor case.

"Uh-huh," from the latter.

He pressed the clasp, the lid opened and there was a loud report like a gun and a cloud of smoke rolled out from the little box.

"Whoop," howled the District Attorney, trying to recover his balance in his chair. "Bob Graves, you are — — —"

He got no further. Graves had beat it.

ECLIPSE OF MOON WEDNESDAY NIGHT

There was a partial eclipse of the moon Wednesday night. The beginning was suposed to be visible generally in North and South America, extreme western portion of Europe, north Atlantic and Pacific oceans, and the ending visable generally in North America and other portions of the world.

Dance Eagles' Hall, Sat. eve., Jan. 22. Martin's Orchestra.