

CONSCRIPTION SURELY COMING IN ENGLAND, NOW BELIEF OF MANY

Neutral Observers Believe the Britons Will Submit if It Comes to Showdown.

BOTH SIDES ENCOURAGED

Those Favoring Compulsory Service Pleased by Lloyd-George's Statement It May Be Necessary.

By Ed L. Keen. London, Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Great Britain will not force her sons into the army except as a last resort.

But if conscription is necessary, it is unlikely that a "civil war" or "social revolt" will result, despite the free use of these terms by its opponents.

This is the judgment of neutral observers who have had an opportunity to study the British mind. In this connection they remember the general British proneness to threaten rebellion when confronted with a possibility of enactment of objectionable measures.

Finally Submitted. They recall the time when David Lloyd-George's national insurance scheme was proposed, and when hundreds of thousands swore they would never "lick stamps for them."

But they meekly submitted when it came to a showdown. Neutralists are satisfied that conscription would be accepted in the same way.

Lloyd-George's letter, calling upon the nation to give the government an opportunity to decide the conscription question, made public through the press bureau today, made a most excellent impression.

It was generally regarded as such a statement preparatory to a conscription move as an appeal to national feeling, and it was hoped that it would result in scotching the intrigue, if any exists, for overturning the ministry.

Conscription Only Solution. An aggressive minority is expected to continue its agitation for conscription, but it is believed that the conscription issue hereafter will be less prominent than it has been lately.

Conscription advocates were encouraged by Lloyd-George's opinion that conscription is the only solution of the problem confronting England. They were likewise encouraged by the speech of J. H. Thomas, who stated that if conscription is shown to be the only means of saving the empire from an inglorious peace, workmen will not oppose it.

England Facing Crisis. Lloyd-George's letter, addressed to one of his constituents, said that the government is thoroughly examining the question "with a view to coming to the right decision." He sounded a warning that England is facing a grave crisis, which may necessitate conscription—in fact, a crisis which, he said, requires "our whole strength."

Would Submit to Conscription. Paris, Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—British Socialists will submit to conscription if such a step is needed for the success of British arms, John Hodge, M. P., today declared, in an address to Partisan Socialists.

Not only will British Socialists submit to this move, if necessary, he said, but they will submit to everything else that is necessary to the triumph of our cause. We do not want premature peace, but a complete peace. We want no conquests, but the liberation of an oppressed people.

HARRY THAW, HERE TO MEET MOTHER, LAUDS OREGON RECALL LAW

(Continued From Page One.) Stanford White in the foyer of the Madison Square Garden. He merely reiterated a statement

HARRY THAW IN PORTLAND TO MEET MOTHER



Mrs. William Thaw and her son, Harry Kendall Thaw.

given out at Sacramento, in which he disclaimed all knowledge of Eveyin's child. "That's all I said, and that's all I'm going to say," he declared.

During his long sojourn in and out of Mattawan asylum for the criminal insane, Thaw ruminated much upon politics. He has studied the Oregon system, which began with the initiative and referendum and finished with the most complete outworking of popular government the United States now knows.

On that subject Thaw gave out the following statement: Oregon System Approved. "It appears probable that in Oregon the people have so much weight with the courts that no private influence could tamper with them.

"In Oregon if a jury acquits a citizen, no judge is likely to defy the jury's verdict. Although I was acquitted by a New York jury on February 1, 1908, that verdict was disregarded, and I was held until I obtained another trial before a jury this year and obtained freedom.

"It appears surprising and almost incredible that in these days in any state in the union any single judge would hold a sane man when the public in the judge's own districts knew the man was sane. However, that is what occurred in my case, and if I had not had friends and some means it is probable that I would still be in a mad house.

"An ugly feature is that a poor man unless he also had many strong friends would have a sane man when the public in the judge's own districts knew the man was sane. However, that is what occurred in my case, and if I had not had friends and some means it is probable that I would still be in a mad house.

Is Good Roads Enthusiast. Thaw is getting gray. His manner is alert and nervous. He speaks with a distinct New York inflection, and he holds a cane which he uses in inquiring about places and things to see about Portland, his eye lit up with interest and he commented eagerly on the possibilities for observation.

Thaw crossed the continent from New York to San Francisco in an automobile, which he drove himself. He is wearing a label button signifying that he used the Lincoln highway and he said cheerfully that he is now a thorough good roads enthusiast. He expects to go out over the Columbia river highway with his mother and sister during his stay here and see for himself what he has heard so much about, even so far as a New York mother in the automobile," said Harry.

Shell St. Menehould; Citizens Are Killed Assistant Mayor Among Victims of Long-Range Bombardment by German Artillery.

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Arrangements for Dahlia Show Ready Exhibit Will Be in Music Hall of Meier & Frank's Store, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The finishing touches are being put on the plans and details for the national dahlia show, which is to be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week in the music hall of Meier & Frank's store.

This will be one of the largest and most interesting and beautiful flower shows ever held in this city. Not only dahlia-growers, both professional and amateur, but all local florists, will enter exhibits of fancy baskets, decorated tables and other features, thus making the show sufficiently varied in its scope to please all kinds of people.

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Sam Evans and his pal, Joe, present a ventriloquist act above the average. Harry Rowland and the Lazwell sisters present a potpourri of the latest dances and songs. Ellsworth and Lindon conclude the vaudeville bill by presenting "Home, Sweet Home," a laugh-producing sketch of the frat rank. The feature film was "Ransom's Polly," a four-reel Edison, pictured from Richard Henry D'Avise story of that name. This same bill will run until Wednesday, with amateur attractions tomorrow night as an added feature.

Coroner Out of Job. Everett, Wash., Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Although the superior court has ruled that the abolition of the office of county coroner is unconstitutional, Snohomish county commissioners are awaiting decision of the supreme court, and are making no appropriations for a coroner's salary meantime. Pending the decision Coroner Mauls is minus his salary and expense funds.

UMATILLA DELEGATE TO GRANT CONFERENCE SUGGESTS SOLUTION

The Railroad Would Receive \$2.50 Per Acre and Obtain Concessions Under Plan.

LETTER TO COMPANY

C. P. Strain Asks Southern Pacific to Fulfill Expression of Willingness to Meet State Half Way.

Suggesting a compromise with the Southern Pacific Company whereby the railroad would receive \$2.50 an acre for lands comprised in the Oregon & California land grant, and also obtain concessions as to taxes and any other equitable claim, while the state of Oregon may benefit by the addition of money to its school fund, an open letter to the railroad officials has been issued by C. P. Strain, a delegate to the recent land grant conference for Umatilla county.

Mr. Strain's letter reads: "Pendleton, Or., Sept. 20, 1915. 'To the President and Directors of the Southern Pacific Company.' 'Gentlemen: Since you expressed, through your attorney, Mr. Dunne, at the recent land grant conference a willingness to meet the state more than half way in a compromise, I venture to suggest that you have it in your power to rescue your O. & C. grant lands from those who are clamoring to dispossess you for their own reasons.'"

Can Make Many Claims. "You can say to congress that you accept the limitations stipulated by that body in the original land grant, as interpreted by the supreme court of the United States in its recent decision, yet at the same time you can claim full payment for your equity in all the unsold lands, including taxes paid on assessed valuations in excess of \$2.50 per acre. Together with any other equitable claims which you may have. You can say, further, that any violation of the terms of the grant upon your part was done openly and with full knowledge of congress. Your action was held by you as a significant acceptance thereof.

"Still further, you can say that, proceeding upon the assumption you incurred heavy administrative expenses, including timber cruises and taxes paid on valuations in excess of \$2.50 per acre. Then you can recede to the same position you occupy in the land grant counties. You can show that it would roundly greatly to your advantage to have the lands sold and the proceeds therefrom, in excess of your equity, to be converted into the irreducible school fund of the state.

Asks That Trial Be Given. "It is obvious that this would militate to benefit you in two particular ways. First, it would reduce your taxes, and, second, the loan of the fund at the customary low interest rate therefor upon the lands of the land grant counties would be development therein, which development would insure enlarged traffic.

"Following this statement of your case, you could move that congress so modify the terms of the grant as to permit you to deed the land to the state of Oregon as trustee, to be disposed of for these purposes: A goodly number of the delegates to the O. & C. land grant conference would second your motion. When this put up to congress, an overwhelming majority of the men and women of Oregon would certainly support the proposition. A popular appeal like this, inspired by so pure a motive, will touch the heart of congress; and the logic of your proposal would not fail to carry conviction to their minds.

"Is not such a compromise worth a trial?" "C. P. STRAIN, 'Delegate appointed by the Court of Umatilla County.'

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WAS IN BUSINESS HERE FOR 15 YEARS



Julius Caesar Schaefer.

Julius Caesar Schaefer, who died in this city September 15, was 64 years of age, a native of St. Louis, Mo. He carried on a tailoring business for 15 years in this city. His only son is Dr. S. G. Schaefer of Los Angeles. Mrs. R. M. Sutherland of Yacolt, Wash., and Mrs. Stephens of Chicago, Ill., are daughters. This afternoon funeral services were held at the Portland crematorium.

College Men Should Wed College Women

'Man Sees Best Women He Will Ever See in College,' Declares Dr. David Starr Jordan.

Palo Alto, Cal., Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—A warning against contracting the habit of "falling in love" sounded by Dr. David Starr Jordan, chancellor of Stanford university, in a talk on "What the College Man Should Be," was ringing in the ears of college men of Stanford today. Dr. Jordan declared college men should marry college women, as both are more nearly mental equals.

"The matter of dealing with women is vital to college men. The greatest pleasure to man in life is real, old-fashioned, romantic love," he said. "A man sees the best women he'll ever see while in college. College men ought to pick their mates from college women.

"There is no hurry, however. Freshmen should wait until the seniors have had their pick. Don't fall in love until you are sure of staying there. Falling in love was not made to be a habit."

Escaped From Road Gang. Salem, Or., Sept. 20.—According to word received today from Astoria, Charles McGrew, committed to the state prison from Washington county for burglary, escaped last night from a road gang in Clatsop county.

EFFORT TO ABOLISH EFFICIENCY CODE IS SUBJECT OF CRITICISM

L. J. Goldsmith, Secretary of Taxpayers' League, Gives His Views.

SEES AMENDMENT NEED

Fact That Large Corporations Use System of Checking on Employees Is Pointed Out.

"It will not inspire public confidence if the city council abolishes the section of the efficiency code which applies to efficiency records and pay-rolls, unless something better and more adaptable is proposed at the same time," said L. J. Goldsmith this morning.

Mr. Goldsmith is secretary of the Taxpayers' league. "I understand that the reason some of the city commissioners oppose the code is that it is burdened with red tape," continued Mr. Goldsmith. "I don't believe in useless red tape any more than anyone else. But why is it necessary to knock out the entire system of efficiency records?"

System Used by Corporations. "The large employing organizations of Portland—the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, the Northern Pacific Terminal company, the railroad roads—find efficiency systems indispensable.

"In the affairs of the city, we cannot demand efficiency too strongly. We, as citizens and taxpayers, do not want to see favoritism played in hiring city employees. We do not want to see favoritism played in keeping incompetents on the job, for you usually have to pay two incompetents to do one competent person's work.

"In justice to the work and the interests of the city and to the city employees who faithfully endeavor to do their work well, there should be no change in the efficiency code except to better it.

"Even if we grant that the men who at present hold the elective offices in city government are honest and could be trusted to use their judgment rather than rules in hiring and firing employees, there is in that very situation an invitation to play favorites and politics. And what surely have we that officials who come after those now holding office would not do so?"

"I do not indorse the efficiency code as it was first adopted by the city. I do not say that it is altogether without fault, but the principle of the efficiency code is right, and, instead of being abolished, it should be modified to meet what our experience shows to be practical and necessary."

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Year Ago in War

September 20, 1914. Battle of Alsne, now raging for seven days, remains undecided, but the tide turns in favor of the Germans, whose Thirteenth and Fourteenth army corps attack allies at Noyon and take Beaumont by storm. Reinforced new troops from Lorraine, the Germans smash them selves all along the Alsne line and repel every effort of the French and English to dislodge them.

Waverley Golfers Defeat Spokaneites

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 20.—After losing out in the morning round by one point, the Waverley Country club golfers of Portland turned tables on the Spokane club players in the afternoon round yesterday and won the final match by a margin of five points. The score was Waverley 31, Spokane 26.

The match was won by Waverley 12, but in the afternoon's play Waverley scored 18 points to Spokane's 12.

Scores: A. M. P. M. Davis and Hartwell..... 2 0 Graves and Doran..... 0 2 Zan and Smith..... 0 0

Three Volcanoes in Italy Are Erupting Vesuvius, Aethna and Stromboli Active Simultaneously for the First Time in History—Damage Unimportant.

Rome, Sept. 20.—(I. N. S.)—For the first time in history, Mount Vesuvius, Aethna and Stromboli today were all in eruption at the same time. The eruptions are comparatively mild and no important damage has occurred.

Cummings Wins Bicycle Road Event

Covering the 25 mile course in one hour and 25 minutes, O. Cummings won the first annual bicycle road race of the Portland Bicycle Dealers' association, yesterday. Thirty-seven riders started in the event and 22 received prizes.

The order in which the riders finished: O. Cummings, Owen Crabtree, Floyd Smith, Theo. Flecker, Marion Ferrando, M. A. Kelly, Edwin Elliott, Gordon Garretson, Tom Colton, L. Kelly, Floyd Cullison, Ellis Floosted, K. McKenzie, James Bonen, Sam Tessler, Lester Shinn, John McCurdy, Brunswick Mayer, Charles Gillison, William Fitzgerald and Everett Atkinson.

The event started and finished at Sixty-second and Division street.

Pigeon Club Meets Wednesday. An important meeting of the show committee of the Oregon Homing Pigeon club will be held at the club rooms, 208 Panama building, Wednesday evening, September 22, at 8 o'clock.

PENDLETON CHIEF OF POLICE 'LICKS MAYOR' THEN QUILTS HIS JOB

Alex Manning, First Assistant, Promoted, Following Altercation.

Pendleton, Or., Sept. 20.—Pendleton has a new chief of police today as the result of a personal encounter late Saturday night between Chief John Kearney and Acting Mayor John Dyer.

Kearney yesterday turned in his resignation to the police committee, and pinned his star on Alex Manning, his first assistant.

Kearney struck Dyer when the latter upbraided him for using liquor. Manning was present and stopped the altercation before more blows were struck. The police committee called both men before it Sunday afternoon and Kearney resigned.

"I licked the mayor and quit" was the only comment he would make for publication, though to others he declared the language the mayor used was such that he was compelled to resign it.

Manning has been on the police force for the past four years.

Former Admiral Ill. San Diego, Cal., Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—Retired Rear Admiral Fred Schute, U. S. N., is reported very ill at his residence in Coronado. Blood poisoning in one of his legs and heart trouble are said to be the causes of his condition. He is 66 years old, and his record in the navy has been exceptionally brilliant.

Canoe Overturns, Couple Rescued. Oakland, Cal., Sept. 20.—(U. P.)—After battling with the waves for more than an hour at midnight last night, Miss Henrietta Koch, a nurse at a local hospital and Harold Bramard, brother of the Oakland city treasurer, were taken from the water by J. E. Harley, a postoffice clerk and a party of friends who were returning from a launch ride. The couple were clinging to their overturned canoe in Lake Merritt. They were taken to the municipal bathhouse and revived.

Gentlemen who have expressed a desire to join the club, are requested to be present at the meeting. The annual banquet and poultry show will be discontinued, September 22, at 8 o'clock.

Advertisement for Woodard Clark Co. featuring various goods like Stationery, Gas Mantles, Patent Medicines, Leather Department, Rubber Department, and more. Includes a 'FREE 10' offer and contact information.

Large advertisement for Prince Albert tobacco. Features a cartoon character smoking a pipe and a pack of Prince Albert cigarettes. Text promotes the 'double-header' and 'single-header' products, and includes the slogan 'You can play P. A. both ways!'.