

**VACATIONS TAKEN BY OFFICIALS INDICATION TENSION IS RELIEVED**

Security Felt for First Time in Weeks in German-American Situation.

**BRITISH EXPRESS REGRET**

Communication on Seizure of Tootons on Limer China Held Tantamount to Admission of Illegality of Act.

Washington, May 13.—(U. P.)—For the first time in many weeks administration officials tonight looked upon the German-American situation, with a sense of genuine security. The relief felt as the result of international developments of the week was shown by the fact that the president has left Washington for a week-end down the Potomac. Secretary of War Baker found it unnecessary to remain at his desk, and Secretary Lansing together with other officials went fishing.

The fundamental difficulty in the German-American situation is today in the belief of each nation that the other is on trial. Germany doubts the true neutrality of the United States. The United States has been skeptical of the good faith behind Germany's pledges.

**Relaxation Is Notable.**

On both these points there has been notable relaxation in the last few days. Progress toward better feeling was seen today in a dispatch to the United Press from Carl W. Ackerman at The Hague, detailing a new attitude manifest in German official circles toward the United States. Exaggerations of the Ackerman dispatch were pointed to with particular interest by officials here. First of these is Germany's recognition to date. Since the United States that her government is in no way sympathizing with so-called "pro-German propaganda" in this country. The report that conferences have been going on for some time in Berlin with the object in view of reaching a modus vivendi with the United States and anti-American propagandists in Germany was read with obvious satisfaction.

The German embassy was particularly interested and pleased over today's developments. It was said the contemplated action by Germany should be interpreted as further expression of Germany's intention to do everything possible to prevent a rupture of German-American relations.

The other feature of the dispatch which created great interest here was the report that Ambassador Gerard is receiving much praise in Berlin for the notice in which he worked through the recent crisis in convincing Germany that what President Wilson wanted was not war but a strict adherence by Germany to the pledges it has made.

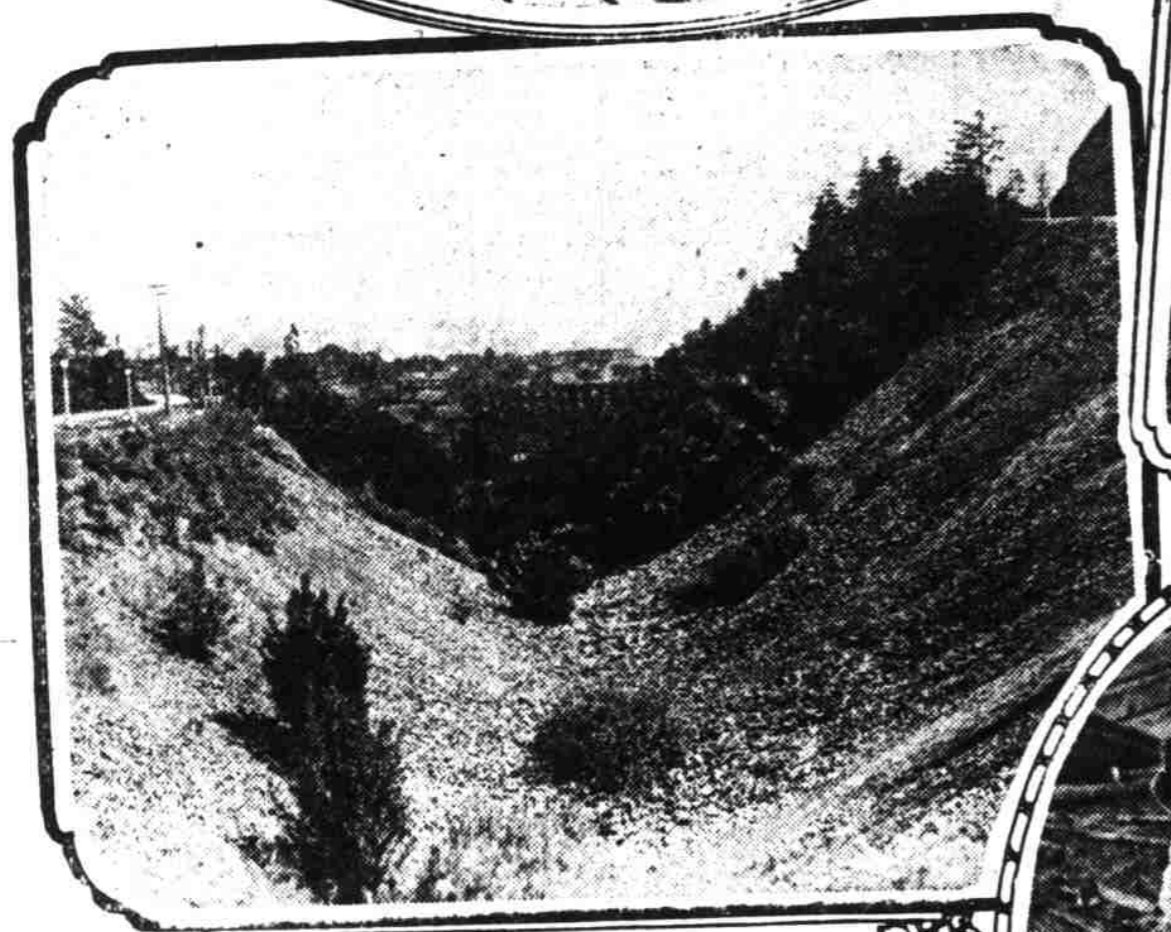
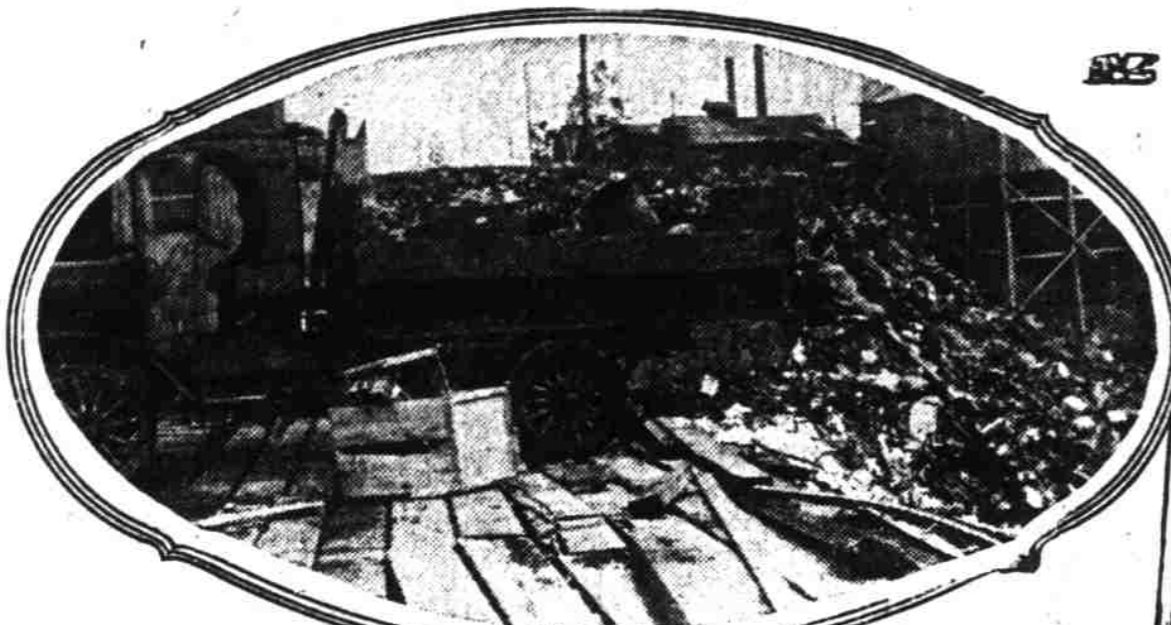
Coincident with this it is noted that the newspapers of Germany have practically ceased their arraignment of President Wilson for "unfairness" in dealing with the different belligerents.

**Danger of Mistakes Remains.**

There remains, of course, the danger of some U-boat commander attacking by mistake a vessel which the United States holds not subject to fire. Unofficial reports, however, say the new orders to submarine commanders, if they are printed, "would convince the most skeptical that Germany is as much concerned as the United States in preventing accidents in the future."

The relief over international affairs was extended today to negotiations with Great Britain. The state department received an official expression of regret over the seizure by British naval officers of 38 Germans and Austrians from the American steamer China.

**MUNICIPAL PLAYGROUNDS WILL BE ESTABLISHED**



**MARQUAM GULCH IS TO BE CONVERTED INTO A PLAYGROUND**

Dumping of Rubbish Will Be Stopped and Place to Be Cleaned Up.

With a mass meeting held Friday night, and another planned for tomorrow night, residents of South Portland propose to take steps toward the immediate cleaning of Marquam's gulch and formulate a plan for the establishment of a municipal playground in the gulch.

The residents propose to form an organization which will take in people from the entire district south of Wash-

**Mrs. Felene Eddy Was State Pioneer**

Lived at Eddyville, Lincoln County 39 Years, After Arrival With Her Husband From Home in Minnesota.

Albany, Or., May 13.—Mrs. Felene Eddy of Eddyville, Or., died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Andrew L. Porter at Albany, Saturday, May 8. Mrs. Eddy was a resident of Eddyville, Lincoln county, Or., 39 years, going there with her late husband, Israel Eddy, in 1877. The trip was made from Minnesota by rail to San Francisco, thence by steamer to Portland, by rail to Corvallis, and stage coach to Eddyville. She is survived by six daughters, 23 grand children and 12 great grandchildren. Her daughters are Mrs. P. A. Gushurst of Lead, S. D.; Mrs. L. P. Pepin of Chitwood, Or.; Mrs. I. J. Pepin of Chitwood, Or.; Mrs. Andrew L. Porter of Albany, Or.; Mrs. H. S. Porter of Norton, Or.; Mrs. John McCoy of Philomath, Or.

Mrs. Eddy was a sister of Mrs. Emelia Prudhomme of Portland, Or., mother of W. E. Prudhomme of Glass & Prudhomme company and of Mrs. Philip Blais of Eugene, Or. Her body was removed to Chitwood and interred in the family plot.

**Lane Exhibit Was Best in History**

Eugene, Or., May 13.—The annual rally and industrial exhibit of the Lane county schools, which closed this afternoon, was the best ever held here. There were more people in Eugene for the occasion, and more and better exhibits than ever before, and while the parade was not as long as last year's, floats were of better quality and more striking.

Trent school won the prize for the best float in the parade. Deerhorn was second, and Mt. Vernon third. In the drill evolutions in the parade first was won by West Springfield, second by Irving, and third by Lowell. Cottage Grove won first prize for the best collective exhibit of school work in schools of the second class; Springfield was second; Junction City, third, and West Springfield, fourth. In schools of the third class the winners were Stafford, Dunn, Norkenzie and Irving. Eugene, which is the only city in the county of the first class, did not compete, but every school in the city had an excellent display.

The crowd that came to the city for the parade and to see the exhibits in the armory was estimated today at 700.

**Even Babies Are Caught.**

London, May 13.—(I. N. S.)—Even babies can't escape taxes these days. Baby carriages admitted to the Royal Botanic Gardens at New May during public hours must pay one shilling (25 cents) on a student's day and three pence (6 cents) on any other day, or present a season ticket, which costs \$5. These charges are in addition to the admittance charge for the driver of the perambulator.

**Graduate at White Salmon.**

White Salmon, Wash., May 13.—The exercises of the graduating class of the White Salmon high school took place last evening at the Woodman hall. Professor Craiger of Pullman college was the principal speaker. The following pupils graduated: Bertha Spessard, Mary Cox, Mary Hayes, Alice Hinshaw, Lucille Armstrong, Ella Hinshaw, Lucy Luksdorff, Ray Case, Orin Kreps, Harold Ingram, C. L. Gilroy.

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**Prof. Thomas Shaw Plans Week in the Willamette Valley**

Will Be Accompanied by Prof. J. E. Larson of O. A. C. and Hog Expert.

Professor Thomas Shaw, agricultural lecturer for the Hill roads, accompanied by Professor J. E. Larson of the Oregon Agricultural college and C. A. McAlister, hog specialist, will follow the following schedule next week:

Monday, May 15: 12 o'clock noon—Address, Livestock Men's luncheon, Transit house, Portland Union Stock Yards, 8 p. m.—Farmers' meeting, courthouse, Hillsboro.

Tuesday, May 16: Donald—Address farmers, 2 p. m.; clubs from Aurora, St. Paul and other places to attend. Woodburn—Address meeting at city hall, Woodburn, at 8 p. m.

Wednesday, May 17: Wintel—Hold noon meeting Ankeny grange. Leave Wintel, 1:25 p. m., for Albany; address meeting in courthouse, Albany, 2:30 p. m.—Court grange. Leave Albany 7:35 p. m.; address college assembly, O. A. C., 8 p. m.

Thursday, May 18—Arrive in Eugene 9:30 a. m. and address Willamette and Pomona granges.

Friday, May 19—Leave Eugene for Harrisburg, hold noon meeting in Harrisburg, leave Harrisburg for Junction City, address, Junction City granges, 2 p. m., in city park, Albany, 8 p. m., banquet and meeting of Linn County stockraisers.

Saturday, May 20—Lyda's schoolhouse, near Hillsboro, auspices Kansas City Farmers' club, meeting 12 o'clock noon.

Saturday, May 20: 2:30 p. m.—Gale Stage, Forest Grove. 4:30 p. m.—Wilson district schoolhouse, near Gales City.

Sunday, May 21—In Portland. 10 a. m.—North Bank territory in Washington to commence with meeting at Trout Lake, Monday, May 22.

Monday, May 22, and Tuesday, May 23—Trout Lake, Mountain Brook, Glenwood and Husum, in White Salmon valley.

Saturday, May 27, 7:30 p. m.—Washougal Daytime, Washougal, Wash.

**Empire Day Will Be Observed May 24**

Program of Music and Songs Will Be Presented at Armory — Musicians Donate Services of Orchestra.

Empire day will be celebrated here Wednesday evening, May 24, at the Armory.

The program will begin at 8 o'clock and will be as follows:

Anthem of Allies; Orchestra, A. Nelson, conductor. Baritone solo, "MacGregor's Gathering," by F. J. Crowthers; dance, "Sailor's Hornpipe," Watson Sirtos; address, "Citizenship," Bishop Sumner; soprano solo, "Land of Hope and Glory," Miss Genevieve Gilbert; quartet, "Comrades in Arms," Orpheus Glee Club quartet; baritone solo, "Maple Leaf," J. Malvyn Evans; soprano solo, Miss Harriet Leach; solo, "Keep the Home Fires Burning," Frank Hennessy, accompanied by Elks' orchestra; address, Wallace McCamant; dance, "Highland Fling," Watson Sirtos, accompanied by Piper MacDonald, Irish song by the Portland Salesmen's Club quartet; tenor solo, "The Veteran," by E. Trevor Jones; "God Save the King," America; The Musician's Union has donated the orchestra.

**Dr. Delbrueck Resigns.**

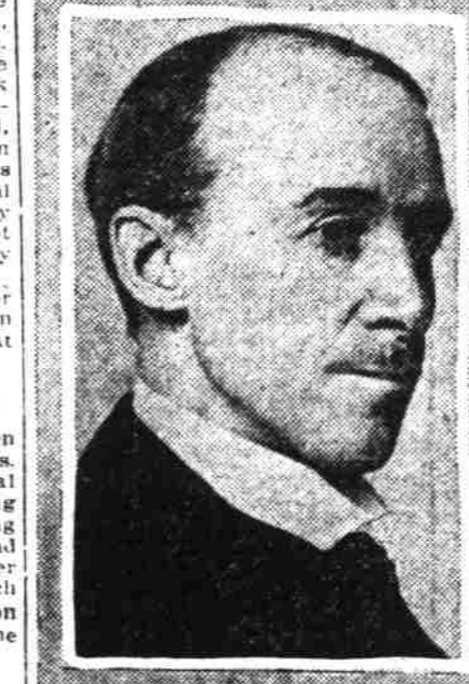
Berlin, May 13.—(I. N. S.)—Official announcement of the resignation of Dr. Clemens Delbrueck, vice chancellor and minister of the interior, was made here today. He has been in charge of the food situation. There have been many complaints recently, chiefly because of the lack of potatoes.

**Aid German War Orphans.**

Stockholm, May 13.—(I. N. S.)—The women of Sweden, like those of Switzerland, are aiding German war

**Charles H. Carey.**

Charles H. Carey is a candidate for election to the Republican national convention as a delegate-at-large. If elected, Judge Carey intends to attend the first annual national assemblage of the League of Nations to Enforce Peace, to be held at the New Willard hotel, Washington, D. C., May 26 and 27. Judge Carey has given much attention to international law and is a member of the league. It is his purpose to go from this convention to the national convention at Chicago.



orphans on a large scale. Under the protectorate of Queen Victoria a large society has been organized to procure temporary homes for several thousand

German boys and girls whose fathers have been killed on the battlefields. The children will be taken care of in Sweden until the German government

can provide for them. Many of them will be adopted by the members of the society, if the German authorities consent to this.



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