FOOD SHORTAGE FELT BY HAGUE RESIDENTS, DECLARES A WRITER

Potatoes Are a Luxury and Bread and Fuel Are Measured Out by Strict Plan.

SEES GERMAN DEFEAT

Sentiment of Many Germans Said to Be That Teuton Cause Is Lost; Letter Comes Uncensored.

In a letter covered with strange postmarks and stamps amounting to 25 cents, Miss Pelly Proyen writes from The Hague to her friend, Mrs. Mabel Cornwall of 606 Grand avenue, this city, under date of March 6, and describes, in what must have been an uncensored epistle, some of the conditions in the war-stricken country. Mrs. Cornwall is the daughter of C. W. Boost.

The writer describes the lack of fuel as being one of the chief hardships, the allowance being for only one fire to each house, and the necessity of many remaining in bed to keep warm, while a doctor's certificate was necessary to secure even that.

She says:

"We have had much frost this winter and even now and then it returns. The rivers were frozen, even the South sea, and people went to Adam and Clarkson on skates. Icebergs were lying on the beach at Scheveningen and it was bitterly cold. But—think of it—sufficient coals for one stove were distributed, and, as for food—well, I've quite forgotten what a potato tastes like. It is surely two months since we ate them.

"But this is not all. Bread is to be had only on tickets, and your ration is measured. Most other things are sold on tickets also, such as rice, soft soap (this we can get only one pound per month). Eggs are selling at 48 cents at this time. The price had formerly reached 72 cents.

"I do comprehend that the United States has broken off friendly relations with Germany, but I hope they will not have to join the war. No more blood must be shed in vain. Do not think that I am convinced of the fact that Germany will gain the victory. They must lose. They are not yet convinced that their cause is lost, though one hears more and more about Germans who get another view of things.

"For instance: One man of good family, who was wounded at the front and sent back into Holland, where he might have better food than in Germany, declared that if it were not that Germany would confiscate his property and thereby deprive his wife and children of all, he would return to the front and surrender himself to the French, as the life he had to lead was unendurable, and that he knew of many other German soldiers of the same mind, who refrained from this course for the same reason."

Miss Proyen also speaks of the sentiment expressed by many of the German residents of The Hague, hoping that Germany will be made, not into a single republic, but into many small ones, since it is composed of peoples of several nationalities and in need of separate government.

Suffrage Alliance Aiding Food Drive

In the effort to increase production of foodstuffs in Oregon the Oregon Equal Suffrage alliance, which is carrying on a vacant lot campaign, will cooperate to the fullest degree with the Oregon food "drive" which is being directed by W. H. Crawford.

The Oregon Equal Suffrage alliance is listing vacant lots and tracts and seeking to bring together property owners and those desirous of cultivating land.

The alliance has lots listed in the northern part of St. Johns and in West Portland Heights in Washington county.

Available in town for a most moderate rental is a four room house and two vacant lots suitable for cultivation at 210 East Eighty-first street north. The rent asked by the owner is merely to cover taxes.

Full information of these properties may be obtained from Miss Laura E. Cavers, 408 Platt building.

RED CROSS BENEFIT SOCIAL EVENT

One of the notable society benefit affairs to be given to raise funds for the Portland chapter of the Red Cross is the concert which will be held Tuesday evening, May 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Coleman of 428 East Sixteenth street, north. Harold Parish Williams, Lyric baritone, will sing, and the organist will be William Robinson Boone of the First Church of Christ Scientist. Tickets and programs are being furnished by Mr. Coleman, and many invitations are to be sent out. A handsome pipe organ is one of the unique equipments of the Coleman home.

Real workers for the Red Cross cause are offering their services every day. Monday, May 7, the workroom on the eighth floor of the Lipman, Wolfe & Co. store will be opened for this purpose under the auspices of Portland chapter. All those who wish to participate in making bandages, etc., will find every facility for the undertaking. The hours are 10 to 12 and 1 to 4 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Memberships are received by Elliott Corbett, treasurer, care of the First National bank; by Theodore Brown, secretary, Lewis building; by Dr. K. A. J. Mackenzie, president, Corbett building; by The Journal at its business office, Broadway and Yamhill street.

MEN PLANNING TO GO TO THE PRESIDIO ARE TO WAIT FOR ORDERS

Instructions Come From San Francisco to Major Phisterer of Examining Board.

All candidates for the reserve officers' training camp to be held at the Presidio, beginning May 8, for whom certificates of suitability have been issued, should await instructions from the headquarters of the western department at San Francisco before leaving their homes.

This word was received Friday from San Francisco by Major Phisterer, U. S. A., who constitutes one of the examining board for the camp in this city.

The order means that those who have applied for the camp and qualified should wait authorization before proceeding to San Francisco. It also applies to those who took examinations for the officers' reserve corps prior to the suspension of examinations in favor of the training camp.

"Where practicable," read the instructions to Major Phisterer, "notify all concerned that failure to follow this practice will result in serious inconvenience to individuals and camp officials.

"Examinations under current instructions will be expedited and not discontinued until receipt of specific orders from these headquarters."

Major Phisterer is also informed that the question of suitable pay for those who attend the camp is before congress.

Army Officers May Be Sent to France

Washington, April 28.—(I. N. S.)—A proposal put forward by members of the military section of the French commission to send a number of higher officers of the American army, who would be in command of any division sent to fight in France, to the fighting front to study French and English war methods is being considered by the general staff of the army.

The invitation calls for 100 officers, most of whom will probably accompany the French mission on its homeward journey, if the proposal is accepted. While the highest officers were studying latest fighting methods abroad, subordinate officers would be drilled and an army raised in this country for them to command.

Horses Taken to Clackamas Range

Horses belonging to Battery A, Field artillery, and Troop A, Oregon Cavalry, are being taken from Vancouver barracks to Clackamas range today under charge of a volunteer detachment of 20 men added to the regular care detail of eight men under command of Sergeant Callander of the battery.

If troop or battery be called out the mobilization is expected to be at Clackamas. Captain Bert V. Clayton of the battery says he can have the men en route for the camp in less than 16 hours from the time of call and ready to start for any field service.

GO ON WITH FESTIVAL ADVISES BOOSTER OF VANCOUVER CARNIVAL

"We Are Going to Keep Away From Old Man Gloom," Says Canadian Visitor.

One of the principal speakers at tonight's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce auxiliary and the Rose Festival directors at the Chamber of Commerce to determine whether the Rose Festival shall be held will be Joseph F. Morris, a member of the Vancouver, B. C., bowling squad and one of the sponsors for the war dance and carnival to be held May 2 to 5, inclusive, by the United British Columbia Commercial Travelers for the benefit of the English Red Cross and the Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief funds.

"We have more occasion by far to wear crepe than you," said Morris today, discussing the contemplated Rose Festival and the group opposing the event. "We have not worn crepe and we are not going to. We are going to do everything to make our city bigger and brighter, we are going to do everything to keep away from Old Man Gloom.

"The last night of our war dance we have called Mardi Gras night."

Mr. Morris pointed out that Medicine Hat is going to hold the Canadian far west classic, the Stampede, this fall. Toronto, New Westminster and other cities scheduled to hold their carnivals and their fairs are going through with their programs.

If the Rose Festival is held, Mr. Morris promised that Vancouver, B. C., will take part. He has sought the Rose Festival association to participate in the war dance.

Missing Boy Ill In San Francisco

Frederick A. Baker, 16 years old, son of Mrs. Laura L. Baker, 147 Twenty-eighth street, who disappeared on the night of April 16, after he had been refused admittance to the army, has been ill in a hotel in San Francisco, according to a letter received by Mrs. Baker this morning.

The letter written by the boy himself, who is just recovering from the illness, was brief and said he was all right and had been in San Francisco since leaving Portland. He said he intended joining the navy as soon as his health permitted his taking the examination.

France and Italy To Receive Loans

Washington, April 28.—(I. N. S.)—With the immediate needs of Great Britain taken care of by the advance of $200,000,000 from the American war chest, plans for emergency loans to France and Italy are being rushed. In all probability credits will be arranged for those nations within a week. The loan to France will be approximately $100,000,000 and that to Italy in the neighborhood of $70,000,000. The loans will take the same form as that to Great Britain, the funds being raised by the United States on treasury certificates of indebtedness.

Bend Votes Bonds For High School

Bend, Or., April 28. — The Bend school district Friday voted $30,000 bonds with which to build the second unit to the Bend high school, which was completed in February. With the additional funds the new high school building can be completed.

Commission Sets Hearing.

Bend, Or. April 28.—Hearing in the matter of the application of the Squaw Creek Irrigation company before the public service commission on the petition of the company to raise the irrigation rates on the project, has been set to commence at 10 o'clock on the morning of May 7, in Redmond, according to word just received from the commission.

Commandary to Be Organized.

Bend Or. April 28.—The granting of a dispensation for a Bend commandery of Knights Templar, together with the beginning of the work in the commandery, will be begun next Wednesday night, when W. F. Laraway, eminent grand commander, will arrive in Bend from Hood River. It is expected that a large delegation of knights from The Dalles and Hood River will accompany.

Judge Clarke to Handle Case.

San Francisco, April 28.—(P. N. S.)—Judge Robert M. Clarke of Los Angeles, named by Attorney General U. S. Webb to conduct the grand jury's investigation into the fame-up charges in connection with the preparedness parade bomb cases, announced today that he will open the official grand jury probe Monday night.

Fishing Fever

is a spring disease that can only be cured by going fishing. Be sure that you select the best streams. Look over the ads in the "Tips for Fishermen" feature of today's Journal. You will find valuable information there.

PROGRAM FOR G. A. R. REUNION AT FOREST GROVE IS ANNOUNCED

Governor Will Be Headline Speaker at State Encampment of the Old Soldiers.

MUSIC IS ARRANGED FOR

Whole Town Will Be Lavishly Decorated; Commercial Club Helping to Make Event Success.

Forest Grove, Or., April 28. — Governor Withycombe is to be the headliner at the state encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held here June 26, 27 and 28. He will speak on Wednesday evening, June 27, the second and big day of the encampment. Governor Withycombe farmed in Washington county in days gone by and when he returns here it is always a sort of home coming affair.

Rev. O. H. Holmes, former pastor of the Forest Grove Congregational church and ex-member of the parole board of the Oregon state penitentiary, will deliver an address probably Tuesday evening, June 26. He is now pastor of the First Congregational church at Walla Walla, and is a speaker of much power and eloquence.

Chorus Will Be Organized.

A large chorus of singers will be organized and will be under the direction of Mrs. W. W. McEldowney, a well known local singer. The Grand Army quartet of Portland and the Oregon Fife and Drum corps, of which John Baldwin and J. T. Butler, drummer and fifer of this city, are members, will furnish melody and music that put fight in the blood of the "boys" in the sixties.

All business houses will be luxuriant in tri-colors and floats for the big parade will be symbolical of patriotism. The children and Boy Scouts and Girls' Honor Guard, which have large memberships here, will be prominent.

Flag Raising Planned.

One hundred dollars has been voted by the city council for the purchase of a flagpole and flag which will be hoisted with fitting ceremony and dedicated to one of the patriotic organizations of the home town.

A big membership drive is being made by the Forest Grove Commercial club, of which L. M. Graham is president, and the fees received will be used to aid in the expense of the encampment.

There are 100 members of the club at the present time and it is thought that at the close of the week the membership will reach 200. Councilman Charles Mertz and ex-Mayor H. J. Goff are in charge of the big drive.

Hotel Rates Established.

The Commercial club has established and will ask that all people conform to the following hotel rates: For single bed, 50 cents; for bed occupied by two, 75 cents; for breakfast, 25 cents; for dinner and supper each 35 cents.

President Graham has appointed the following committees of the Commercial club to assist in encampment work: H. E. Inlow, W. P. Dyke, H. L. Bates, reception and registration; M. J. Fenenga and W. P. Dyke, flag and flagpole; M. R. Johnson, L. M. Graham and Women's club committee, badges; O. M. Sanford, W. J. McCready, H. L. Bates, lighting and decorating; A. E. Scott, J. P. Hurley, W. C. Benfer, L. M. Graham and M. R. Johnson, advertising; Mrs. Wilbur McEldowney, music; Sergeant Ray T. Williams, W. P. Dyke, W. J. McCready, parade; Charles Littler, A. G. Hoffman, M. R. Johnson, L. M. Graham, music.

Six Auto Bandits In Daring Robbery

Chicago, April 28. — (U. P.)—Six armed automobile bandits held up and robbed the real estate and banking offices of Kowalesky Bros. of between $13,000 and $15,000 Friday afternoon. The office was filled with customers.

Three of the bandits entered the offices and lined up R. G. Kowalesky, a girl cashier and six customers against the wall. The other three kept guard outside. The money was taken from a drawer in the cashier's cage.

Kowalesky, followed by neighbors, fired several shots after the fleeing men, but they escaped.

Lincoln High June Class Gives Play

In talented manner that bespoke diligent preparation, the June '17 class of Lincoln high school presented "Our American Cousin," Friday afternoon and evening.

The play, having a rare charm that was admirably interpreted, has its setting in old England. The complications ensuing from the will of the heroine's grandfather supply the plot.

Katherine Kerr and Henry C. Stevens took the leading parts. Others in the cast were Howard MacGowan, Ira Berkey, John Chalmers, Elizabeth Kessi, Marian Spoerl, Margarete Kubli, Gertrude Rosumny, William Kessi, Donald Harris, Ralph Strong, Martin Sichel, Joy Glickman, Mildred Nicol, James Hamilton.

WITHYCOMBE PAYING POLITICAL REWARDS IN HIS APPOINTMENTS

Dr. W. Carlton Smith of Salem New Prison Physician, One of "Old Guard."

Salem, Or., April 28.—In the appointment by Governor Withycombe of Dr. W. Carlton Smith of Salem as prison physician to succeed Dr. Roy D. Byrd, it is evident that the new law enacted by the last legislature has been made a vehicle for political rewards.

The law in question takes from the state board of control authority over the state penitentiary and places the institution entirely under the management of the governor. This law will not go into effect until May 21, and this early announcement that Governor Withycombe has appointed one of the old Republican war horses to displace the present prison physician reveals the chief executive's impatience at the slowness of time.

The appointment cannot become effective until May 21. Dr. Smith is well known in political circles. He is classed as one of the "old guard."

Dr. Byrd is a Democrat and Governor Withycombe sought to displace him early in his administration, but because of his demonstrated efficiency and his popularity with the officials and inmates at the penitentiary both Secretary of State Olcott and State Treasurer Kay refused to permit his removal simply on political grounds.

At that time Governor Withycombe wanted to appoint an old friend, a former veterinarian who is practicing medicine in eastern Oregon. Dr. Byrd has been prison physician for five or six years.

Earthquake Wrecks An Italian Village

Rome, April 28.—(U. P.)—The entire village of Montcherchi was destroyed in the earthquake of yesterday, according to word received here today. Complete casualties are not yet available.

Ten persons were killed in the earthquake shocks in Tuscany and Umbria, an official statement asserted today. Thirty persons were severely injured.

Citerna was almost completely wrecked, 30 being caught in the wreckage and injured.

At Anghiari and San Sepolcio there was great damage done by the tremors, but no lives were lost. Most of the inhabitants of the stricken districts have fled in terror of other shocks and are camping in the open.

Britain Extends "Dangerous" Area

Washington, April 28.—(U. P.)—Great Britain has extended her "dangerous" area and warned all shipping of this fact.

O. A. C. Will Lose Leading Students

One Hundred and Fifty Upper Classmen Soon to Go to Federal Training Camp for Army Officers.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, April 28.—When the cadets here answer the final call of the war department to the training camp at the Presidio this week, in the more than 204 that will go, O. A. C. will lose almost every upper classman of note in the student body and military affairs.

The president of the student body, the editor of the Barometer, the colonel of the cadets, the president of the senior class, almost all the cadet officers, and scores of men only less important in the life of the college have applied for places in the camp and have been accepted for service.

The regiment naturally is the most seriously affected of any student organization. The colonel, lieutenant colonel, the three majors, every captain but two who were barred by war department regulations, and all but a few lieutenants are numbered among the men who will make the trip. Even many of the sergeants are going, and many more underclassmen would have applied had not the commandant refused to certify the application of any man who had not had more than two year's drill unless he had special qualifications.

Coal Operators and Miners Pledge Help

New York, April 28.—(I. N. S.)—Anthracite coal miners and operators have offered their services to the Council of National Defense in maintaining the production of coal. At the conference of operators and miners just ended here, resolutions signed by S. D. Warriner, for the operators, and John P. White, international president of the United Mine Workers of America, were passed, pledging the utmost cooperation between employers and efforts to speed up production.

Women's Vocational Conference Opened

Miss Ava Milan, Mrs. Eric Allen, Mrs. George McMath and Professor De Busk Are Among Speakers.

University of Oregon, Eugene, Or., April 28.—A large body of coeds and women of Eugene attended the Friday afternoon session of the two-day vocational conference of U. of O. women, which was formally opened by an address on "Opportunities Open to Women in the Field of Home Economics," by Miss Ava Milan, head of the domestic science department at O. A. C.

Friday night's program consisted of lectures on "Oregon and A. C. A.," by Mrs. Eric Allen, Eugene; "Oregon Parent-Teacher Association," by Mrs. George McMath, president, and "Personal Preparation for Professional Work," by Dr. B. W. De Busk of the University of Oregon faculty. An open discussion followed each address.

Working Under a Continual Strain?

Does a Lame Back Keep You Worn Out All the Time?

MAYBE you have weak kidneys, a trouble that often follows grip, a cold, a fever, or a spell of worry, overwork or unwise habits. It shows in constant, dull, throbbing backache, or sharp twinges when stooping, lifting, getting up, or turning in bed, with headaches, dizzy spells, a tired, nervous state and irregular, abnormal kidney action. Don't neglect weak kidneys, or you run the danger of having dropsy, gravel, heart disease or Bright's disease. The kidneys are the blood filters and must work all the time to keep you in good health. Take things easier, follow regular habits, and take Doan's Kidney Pills, a remedy in use the world over, and recommended publicly in the U. S. A. by fifty thousand people. Doan's Kidney Pills are certainly worth a trial.

Here Are Several Portland Cases

Lincoln Street

G. H. Behnke, 823 Lincoln st., says: "I caught a severe cold and I had a spell of kidney trouble that clung to me for six months. I had a dull, steady ache over my kidneys which often changed to sharp pains. there was soreness over my kidneys and with the pain and aching, I found it hard to turn in bed. The misery was there day and night. Too frequent action of my kidneys bothered me too and obliged me to arise three or four times at night. Three boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills cured me."

E. Fiftieth Street

Cal Keater, 245 E. Fiftieth st., says: "I was out in all kinds of weather while working and occasionally took a heavy lift. One day my back gave out and I had a terrible pain just over my kidneys and a sort of throbbing sensation set in. My kidneys became disordered and at times were too frequent in action. I was not long in getting rid of the trouble after I commenced taking Doan's Kidney Pills. Two boxes cured me and since then I have never been bothered."

Haight Avenue

Fred Minralt, proprietor Eagle Market, 873 Haight ave., says: "In spite of the different treatments I used and claims made by the doctors, I failed to get any results in trying to get rid of kidney trouble. I was greatly bothered by a steady aching in the small of my back. The least cold seemed to settle in the small of my back and caused oreness and stiffness. It was almost impossible for me to get around. Doan's Kidney Pills brought prompt and effective relief and in almost no time removed the entire trouble."

Macadam Street

Mrs. C. Knoll, 853 Macadam st., says "The action of my kidneys showed that they were very weak. I had headaches and whenever I lay down, I felt pains running up to the top of my head. I doctored and tried medicines but without benefit, until I begun taking Doan's Kidney Pills. I could soon see that they were just what I needed. I was cured of all trouble with my kidneys, that had resisted even doctor's treatments."

Tacoma Avenue

Mrs. James Bradley, 581 Tacoma avenue, says: "I was so crippled with rheumatic pains in my joints and limbs, in fact all through my body that I could not dress myself or get up from a chair. My joints swelled and I had sharp, darting pains through my kidneys. My kidneys didn't act as they should and the kidney secretions annoyed me. Doan's Kidney Pills gave me relief from all these troubles. They acted on my kidneys and strengthened them so that they could do their work properly."

Williams Avenue

Mrs. E. A. Lathrop, 796 Williams ave., says: "I used to suffer so with pain across my kidneys, that I could not lie on my back. I knew the trouble came from my kidneys as the doctor examined me and said so. I couldn't stoop to pick up anything because of the pain. It was almost impossible for me to put out a washing and I could not do any work in the garden. I got all out of breath and strength right away if I tried to. The kidney secretions were also unnatural. I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they cured me."

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