



Tonight and Sunday, partly cloudy; cooler; south westerly winds. Humidity 34.

## KASER OFFERS RUSSIA PEACE, PAPER REPORTS

Stockholm Social Demokraten Says Offer Was Made Through a Member of the Swiss Federal Council.

## SWISS REFUSE TO ACT FOR A PEACE PARLEY

German Majority Socialists Put Forward Their Scheme for Peace.

London, June 16.—(U. P.)—Germany has offered Russia a separate peace, said a telegram from Stockholm today quoting the well-informed newspaper Social Demokraten. The offer was made through a member of the Swiss federal council, it was said.

Berne, June 16.—(U. P.)—The Swiss government has returned a negative reply to numerous requests from all sections of the republic that it attempt to bring about a peace parley.

Stockholm, June 16.—(U. P.)—What may be considered to approximate the German government's peace terms was outlined here today when the German majority Socialists gave out their program for peace. The striking points of the plan were:

No indemnity for Belgium—because it would be difficult to determine which belligerents were responsible for damages on the various fronts and a so-called indemnity would merely mask an indemnity.

Return of the German colonies—under the Socialist doctrine of "no annexations."

## JAPAN WILL NOT JOIN U. S. IN ADVISING CHINA TO COMPOSE AFFAIRS

Great Britain Also Opposes American Action, But Reason Is Not Known.

Washington, June 16.—(U. P.)—Japan has turned down America's request that she join the United States in her recent advice to China to compose her internal difficulties. This fact developed officially today, following receipt of advices showing that Great Britain, too, had rejected the American suggestion for joint action in the Chinese situation.

Japan apparently was sensitive—and somewhat embittered—because the United States in the first instance did not consult her about the Chinese situation. Japan's "paramount interests" in China evidently influenced her to withhold her support of the American position, but Great Britain's refusal to come in on the move perplexed authorities here who thus far have had no official reasons from England for the refusal.

The United States secretly asked the allied powers to join in her advice to China after that had been dispatched. Great Britain's official answer had not reached the state department today, but there was no reason to doubt the unofficial reports that her reply was a rejection.

Officials attempted to minimize the importance of these two refusals, but it was pointed out that they will probably embarrass any further American efforts to compose the Chinese internal difficulties.

What the other allies will do is unknown. While authorities are loath to discuss the Japanese angle, recent developments in Japan are not encouraging. Japan apparently is resentful of America's course and took exception to what purported to be the text of America's note. This later proved to be only the copy of press comment from Washington of the Japanese-Chinese situation.

## Goethals Explains Commandeering Plan

Vessels, of Greater Than 3000 Tons Capacity, and With Speed of 10 1/2 Knots, Driven by Steam, Affected.

Washington, June 16.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Senator McNary today conferred with General Goethals regarding plans for commandeering ships under construction, and was informed that no distinction will be drawn between wood and steel vessels in carrying out this policy.

The government wants only steam propelled ships commandeered, as the value of oil burning ships for long voyages has not been fully demonstrated. Ships must develop a continuous speed of 10 1/2 knots, must be of not less than 3000 tons capacity, and have proper accommodation for crews.

Vessels building on the Columbia river coming within these requirements, Goethals stated, will be commandeered by the government.

## Millionaire Must Pay For Wooing Octogenarian, Says Court, Agreed to Wed and Jury Must Determine Damages.

New York, June 16.—(U. P.)—Miss Honora May O'Brien will be awarded damages for her experience with the fickle heart of Millionaire Frank B. Manning, her 54 year old wooer. Justice Crosey in supreme court so instructed the jury hearing the evidence today.

Justice Crosey today told the jurors they must consider an agreement for marriage had been entered into and that there is no question but that this agreement was broken.

On these grounds, Justice Crosey said, damages should be assessed in keeping with Manning's financial and social standing.

Punitive damages are also warranted, he instructed the men, on three points. Manning charged, he declared, there was a conspiracy to get money without marriage. This, he said, had not been proved. Second, he said, Manning declared the girl had insisted on a previous settlement and he said this had not been proved. Third, the charge that the girl never intended to wed was not proved.

As Miss O'Brien's attorney addressed the jury, she wept copiously when her unexpected publicity was brought into the proceeding. She sat up in surprise when he declared, to refute a charge by Manning, that Miss O'Brien never threw a skirt over the old man's head on the night of his proposal.

"There wasn't a skirt made in New York in the winter of 1916 that you could throw over a hairpin," he declared.

## DR. J. HOWARD MILLER PLUNGES TO HIS DEATH FROM MORGAN BLOCK

Fall From Fourth Story Window Believed Suicidal; Gaspipe Adds Mystery.

Dr. J. Howard Miller, a well known Portland and Astoria dentist, died at St. Vincent's hospital this morning 10 minutes after he had fallen from a fourth story window of the Morgan building. The police express the belief that he committed suicide.

On the basis of a report by Detectives Goltz and Howell, Acting Coroner Smith this afternoon decided to hold no inquest.

Dr. Miller had entered the office of Dr. J. C. Tamieste, 401 Morgan building, about 7:20. No one was in the office at the time, and it has not been explained just what happened there.

Pedestrians were startled a few moments later when the doctor plunged from the window on the Washington street side and struck the sidewalk about 10 feet east of the main entrance to the building.

Piece of Gas Pipe Adds Mystery  
Detectives Goltz and Howell inquired the method of gas pipe 18 inches long, carefully wrapped in paper, which was found in Dr. Tamieste's reception room. Dr. Miller's private papers were found scattered about, evidently having been emptied from his pockets. A chair was found overturned. Their conclusion was that these complications had been made by Dr. Miller himself to give the impression of murder.

Dr. Miller had left his home at 542 East Nineteenth street north in the early afternoon of this morning, it was said at the residence. The doctor, his wife and their adopted daughter had attended the Rose Festival carnival after dinner Friday night and afterward had gone to a theatre.

Murder Theory Suggested  
Mrs. Miller was prostrated by the shock of her husband's death this morning. A friend of the family explained that the doctor had been subjected to attacks of acute indigestion for several years, and she believed he had been eating a piece of gas pipe at the office had gone to the window for air and toppled out.

Dr. Elor T. Hedlund expressed the murder theory this morning, asserting that the gas pipe could not be explained otherwise. Dr. Miller formerly was associated with Hedlund.

"Wallpapering," Says Friend  
The reason for the piece of gas pipe was further explained this afternoon when one of Dr. Miller's friends telephoned the police that in a conversation with the dentist a week ago, Miller told him that he greatly feared a dark man who had been following him of late.

"He's going to get me, I am afraid," declared Dr. Miller. "I could see that he wasn't well and so I laughed it away with some remark, not thinking his hallucination would lead him as far as it did."

Several months ago Miller transferred his practice to Astoria, but his family had remained here until he could establish himself. Plans were complete, however, to move to the coast city within a few days, the household effects having already been packed. When he came to Portland, Dr. Hedlund said, he often used the workrooms of his dentist friends and had free access to the offices.

Mrs. Miller was Miss Louise Webber, a prominent society girl of Corvallis. Dr. Miller was about 50 years old. He was one of the first conductors on the old City & Suburban Railway company lines after that system was electrified, running on the Lower Albina division. He left that position and became cashier of the First Albina bank, owned by Charles Pittenger. He then studied dentistry.

## REVOLUTION IN SPAIN; LONDON HEARS REPORTS

Censors Refuse to Pass Messages Apparently Because Cables to England Have Been Quiet Since Tuesday.

London, June 16.—(U. P.)—Behind the heavy veil of the Spanish censorship another drama may be occurring. Vague reports of an assumption of power over the whole of Spain by an army have been received here. No direct word has come from Spain in four days.

When the censorship curtain dropped last Tuesday, a crisis was seen between Premier Dato and the army leaders, and one of the last dispatches received direct from Madrid quoted Dato in denial of the report that the Bilbao garrison had revolted. It was the demands of the army leaders which precipitated the crisis resulting in the fall of the Romanones cabinet but it was not until the cabinet was re-adjusted when Premier Dato took hold.

Spain has been a hotbed of German propaganda and all British newspapers today attributed much of Spain's internal dissensions to the Prussian agents.

Ambassador Has no News  
Washington, June 16.—(U. P.)—Senator Juan Riano, American ambassador, had received no reports of revolutionary activity in Spain today. The ambassador was surprised in London had been cut off from communication with the Spanish capital.

"I have received nothing today," he said, "but yesterday and the day before I had cables from Madrid without any trouble."

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## \$12,200,000 MARK IS PASSED BY OREGON IN LIBERTY BOND SALE

Chairman of Coast Federal Reserve District Compliments State on Showing.

Liberty loan subscriptions in Oregon today passed the mark of \$12,200,000 set by A. C. Miller, federal reserve bank representative, when the campaign closed Friday noon.

New totals from outside banks are still trickling into the campaign office by every mail, and with an addition of \$178,000 today, the grand state total is now \$12,378,000. There is every probability that the ultimate grand total may reach \$12,400,000.

Portland Towns Oversubscribe  
The additional amount from the country today gives the state outside of Portland \$3,554,750 and the city \$3,819,950. The city total was boosted \$150,000 more this morning through an addition made by the Southern Pacific in San Francisco banks in favor of Portland.

Among today's reports on concrete campaign results was one from the bank of Oregon City announcing \$400,000 additional subscriptions.

Late Corners Turned Down  
The Peninsula National bank reported last day subscriptions of the following large amounts: E. F. Day, \$2000; Peter Auzen, \$7000; Jacobs Milling Co., \$1000; and the Peninsula National bank, \$25,000.

Worded subscribers by the score were turned down at the banks this morning. There were more applicants for bonds today than during some of the early days of the campaign. All applicants had to be interviewed, however, and about \$25,000 of over late subscriptions mailed direct to Willis (Continued on Page Two, Column Four)

## Town of Needles Is Threatened by Flood

San Bernardino, Cal., June 16.—(U. P.)—Half a dozen houses in the low-lying town of Needles were destroyed when the Colorado river went out of its banks today. Fear is expressed that loss of life resulted.

Calls for help from the flooded town got quick response when the Santa Fe railroad rushed a special train from Barstow.

Latest telegraphic communication from Needles indicated the worst flood of its history, and the river still rises. Unusual heat in the mountains melted snows and caused the flood. The heat is intense.

## BOY SCOUT SLOGGED BY WAITER WHO DID NOT UNCOVER HEAD

Because he struck a Boy Scout who asked him to take off his hat while the "Star Spangled Banner" was being played at the Festival Center Friday night, J. Woodriddle, a waiter on the steamer Beaver, was almost mobbed, spent the night in the city jail, and wound up this morning by paying a \$12 fine in the municipal court for disorderly conduct.

Woodriddle, according to witnesses who appeared against him, was too much interested in the femininity of the crowd to recognize the strains of the national air when played by the band.

Every other man in the crowd removed his hat and Ross Lander, 14 year old Boy Scout, who is crippled, stepped up and asked him to participate in the general act of respect and patriotism.

Woodriddle retorted by striking the boy in the face and knocking him flat. C. P. Howard, president of the Central Labor council, was standing nearby, saw the act and challenged Woodriddle to a man's size combat.

Woodriddle refused to fight. However, he took him by the arm and walked him to police headquarters. Dr. Alan Welch Smith, a member of the school board, was also a witness of the episode and appeared against Woodriddle before Judge Stevenson today.

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## NEW YORK POLICE UNCOVER BODY BURIED UNDER EIGHT FEET OF EARTH AND CONCRETE IN CELLAR OF REPAIR SHOP.

New York, June 16.—(U. P.)—The body of the girl found buried in the cellar of Alfred Cecchi's bicycle repair shop on One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street was identified by her father as that of the long missing Wadleigh high school girl, Ruth Cruger.

Cruger, who hurried to the shop when told of the gruesome find by the police, would not look at the body, now hardly more than a skeleton, but identified it as that of the girl who disappeared three days after the girl was last seen, but was located in Italy recently.

The disappearance of Ruth Cruger had promised to go down among New York's unsolved disappearances along with that of Dorothy Arnold.

Last Seen February 13  
The girl left her home on February 13, going to the shop of Cecchi to have a pair of skates sharpened. She had just been walking east on One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street about noon.

Cocchi was detained by the police and questioned but was released and disappeared after the girl was found.

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## Schooner Is Sunk in Collision With Liner

Tugs and patrol boats raced down the harbor shortly after noon today to lend aid to the ship Carazal of the New York & Porto Rico line struck the two-masted schooner Sallie E. Ludlum off Governors Island.

Failure properly to observe signals is ascribed as the cause of the collision. The Carazal rammed the smaller craft amidships. The latter listed heavily and was sinking when help arrived.

Captain Thompson and wife, the mate and a crew of five were on the schooner. They made their escape in a lifeboat.

## Senator Gronna Is Facing Opposition

Langdon, N. D., June 16.—(I. N. S.)—Cavalier county Republicans at their county convention today framed a demand to United States Senator A. J. Gronna of North Dakota that he resign his seat "because he does not properly represent the wishes of the state in respect to war."

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## GENERAL PERSHING BEGINS WORK EARLY IN HIS PARIS OFFICE

Commander of the American Army in Europe Is Guest of General Petain on Front.

Paris, June 16.—(U. P.)—One bare wooden table, on which there are piles of various letters, was the only furniture in the headquarters of General John J. Pershing's "work bench." It is the main article of furniture in the American army headquarters in the Rue Constantine and on it the American commander is planning his work.

The room at once to his office headquarters in the Rue Constantine. There he jumped into an enormous accumulation of correspondence.

consults Staff Officers  
The first step out of the way, the general began calling for his staff officers, and after short, snappy conferences with them, went back again to his stenographers. A vast amount of detail work faced the general and (Continued on Page Two, Column Five)

## J. P. Morgan Has New Son-in-Law

Miss Frances Tracy Morgan, Second Daughter, Becomes Bride of Paul Geddes Pennoyer of Berkeley.

New York, June 16.—(U. P.)—Miss Frances Tracy Morgan, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Morgan, was married at St. John's chapel, Locust Valley, L. I., today to Paul Geddes Pennoyer of Berkeley, Cal., in one of the most fashionable but quiet wedding societies has been this year. Only immediate relatives and close friends of the couple were invited.

A Sheldon Pennoyer, brother of the groom, was best man. The mother of the groom, Mrs. A. Pennoyer, was not present, owing to illness. Miss Jane Morgan, the bride's sister, was her only attendant. The ushers were J. H. Spencer, Morgan Jr., H. S. Morgan, John C. Talbot, William C. Van Fleet Jr., and W. Lother Allen Jr.

## Westerner Hits Columbia Jetty

Astoria, Or., June 16.—(P. N. S.)—The steamship Westerner, bound from Portland to San Francisco, struck a jetty at the mouth of the Columbia river last night in a heavy fog. She sustained slight damage, but was able to back off under her own steam. She arrived here today in tow of the steam schooner Waukena.

## Submarine Shells American Schooner But Craft Escapes

Washington, June 16.—(U. P.)—The American schooner Anna R. Hedritter was attacked by a German submarine and damaged by shell fire, the state department was informed today.

The vessel was attacked off Gibraltar and was saved by timely arrival of French and British patrol boats. The schooner was on the way from Genoa to Havana, laden with tiles.

Dispatches to the department of state said the boat was towed into port. Whether any of the crew were injured by the shell fire was not stated.

## FOOD CONTROL BILL IS READY FOR DEBATING

Measure Goes From Agricultural Committee to Senate Without Recommendations—Strong Opposition Seen.

Washington, June 16.—(U. P.)—Responding to the mandate of President Wilson, the senate agriculture committee today reported out the Lever food control bill, putting the initial fight on the measure directly up to the senate.

The bill is sent out of committee without recommendation and will come up for debate in the upper branch early next week.

Advocates of the bill think that the appropriation of \$12,000,000 for administering food control is too high and an agreement will be reached immediately to reduce this sum.

Two Debates On at Once  
The bill will be pushed on the floor of the senate as it is introduced in the house and owing to the fact that the house begins consideration of the measure Monday, the debate will be carried on in both branches at the same time.

Senator Hardwick, immediately after the measure was reported, declared he would raise the constitutional point that the measure could not originate in the senate. Hardwick, Smith of Georgia and Reed of Missouri will constitute the nucleus of intensive opposition to the bill.

Senator Gore, chairman of the committee—unfriendly to the measure—asked Senator Chamberlain to direct (Continued on Page Two, Column Six)

## RED CROSS CAMPAIGN FOR OREGON'S SHARE OF FUND ON TONIGHT

First Guns Will Be Fired Tonight by Street Speeches on Both Sides of River.

Big Cross to Tell Story  
A giant Red Cross is being erected today at the intersection of Sixth and Alder streets, to tell the daily story of the Red Cross drive for \$200,000—Portland's share of the \$1,000,000 fund that is needed for immediate war relief purposes of the Red Cross.

The Red Cross will be 30 feet high and will be equipped with a dial 16 feet in diameter, whose rim is divided into segments, each representing \$1000. An arrow will register the amount received each day.

The Red Cross next!  
That is the slogan of the army of Red Cross workers, who are about to make a patriotic onslaught upon the pockets, pocketbooks and checking accounts of the Portland public.

Now that the Rose Festival, brilliantly successful with its emphasized patriotic features, is a thing of the past, and the Liberty bond crusade an end—and generously over-subscribed—the patriotic men, women and children of the city will be asked to turn their attention to the Red Cross and the big \$200,000 drive for funds that will be opened tonight, with street speaking from automobiles first.

Information Filed Against Oxman  
San Francisco, June 16.—(U. P.)—Filing of an information against Frank C. Oxman, chief witness in the trial of Thomas Mooney, was the only activity today in the preparedness parade bomb cases.

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## Federal Reserve Statement

San Francisco, June 16.—Statement of Federal Reserve government deposits, San Francisco, close of business June 15, 1917.

RESOURCES	
Gold and silver	\$14,934,000
In gold settlement fund	11,975,000
U. S. government securities	17,325,000
Total gold reserve	\$28,040,000
Legal tender note, silver, etc.	124,000
Total reserve	\$28,164,000
Bills discounted (members)	2,964,000
Acceptances bought	9,102,000
Total bills on hand	\$38,132,000
U. S. government deposits	1,900,000
United States certificates of indebtedness	3,887,000
City warrants	203,000
Municipal warrants	203,000
Total earnings accounts	\$45,901,000
Federal reserve notes on hand	2,467,000
U. S. government deposits	1,900,000
Other federal reserve funds	97,000
Net due from other federal reserve banks (collected funds)	2,651,000
Due from depository banks	2,143,000
U. S. government deposits	1,900,000
Transfers bought	8,875,000
Other uncollected items	3,980,000
All other resources	129,000
Total resources	\$59,397,000
LIABILITIES	
Capital paid in	\$3,944,000
U. S. government deposits	17,325,000
Due to member banks (reserve acct.)	43,754,000
Cashier and other checks outstanding	19,000
Other collection items	4,328,000
All other liabilities	201,000
Total liabilities	\$59,397,000

## EMMA GOLDMAN, the anarchist, who, with her partner, Alexander Berkman, has been held for conspiracy against conscription.



## ANARCHIST LEADERS HELD UNDER BAIL OF \$25,000 IN NEW YORK

Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman Charged With Conspiracy.

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Women Use Hatpins and Teeth When Told Mayor Will