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VOL. XVII. NO. 37 PORTLAND, OREGON, TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 25, 1918. EIGHTEEN PAGES PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

AUSTRIAN RETREAT KEEPING UP; "OVER TOP" W. S. S. DRIVE OPENS

SUCCESS IN PORTLAND CAMPAIGN PREDICTED

City and District Managers Are Most Optimistic as Reports Pour in of Ready Response Which Big Drive Is Meeting.

Twenty-six of 28 Employees of Bissinger & Co. Subscribe for \$2075 in W. S. S.; Nine Are Enrolled in "Limit Club."

WHEN the great drive for the War Savings Stamp cause started in full swing this morning, captains and colonels began reporting results almost before the headquarters at Liberty Temple was prepared for them.

Both District Manager H. E. Reed and City Manager Frank McCrillis congratulated A. T. Bonney, in charge of industrial plant organization, that the first to be heard from should be men in industry.

The city's supreme effort in the thrift campaign started with a vigor unanticipated even through the enthusiastic support given preliminary work and the rousing patriotic demonstration at the Auditorium Monday evening.

ZABRISKE NAMED SUGAR DIRECTOR

Organization of Federal Corporation and District for Control Under Way.

Washington, June 25.—(U. P.)—G. A. Zabriskie has been named federal sugar administrator with entire control over the problem of sugar distribution.

Because of the shortage extreme measures of economy are necessary, it was stated at the food administration. As a result, organization of sugar producing districts in the United States, with a view of eliminating cross hauling of sugar and effecting a zone system similar to the coal zone now in effect, is under way.

Oregon Third in Output of Lumber

Washington, June 25.—(I. N. S.)—The lumber cut in the United States during 1917 totalled 35,831,295,000 feet, approximately 10 per cent less than the production for 1916, the forest service announced today.

"GOING THE LIMIT" FOR W. S. S. MRS. GEORGE E. WELTER signing "Limit Club" cards and being entered in roll of honor for \$1000 pledge for War Savings Stamps.



Portland People Will Pledge and Repledge To Fill W. S. S. Quota

Until Portland's war savings quota in the drive that opened vigorously this morning is merely a guide post on the path "over the top," where the "Oregon first" banner will be found again floating from the parapet Portland people will pledge and repledge their savings to curb the high flown dreams of mad monarchs.

Poison in Water; 3 Ill; German Jailed

Houlquam, Wash., June 25.—(U. P.)—Federal officers investigated today the presence of strychnine in the camp water tap of the Schafer Logging company. Their theory is that the water was poisoned by a German agent in an attempt to poison soldiers working for the company.

Pacific Coast Steel Company Buys Land

Final negotiations are being made today in the purchase by the Pacific Coast Steel company of a 20-acre tract adjoining its acre tract near Linnton, where it is proposed to establish a large steel mill.

Great Apiaries, Plan Of New Corporation

San Francisco, June 25.—(I. N. S.)—Articles of incorporation of the Western Bee Farms corporation were filed here today. San Francisco backers of the \$100,000 corporation are selecting sites for eight big apiaries to extend down the coast from Santa Cruz to San Diego and are contracting for the purchase of 15,000 hives, which will produce 1,500,000 pounds of honey a year, releasing for the use of the army in France and the allied needs an equal amount of sugar.

BERLIN IS OUTLINING HER IDEAS FOR PEACE

Kuehlmann Demanding Frontiers "Traced by History" and Oversea Possessions Corresponding to German "Greatness."

Foreign Secretary Refuses to Tie Hands Regarding Belgium and Says It Will Be Impossible to Give Up Russian Land.

BERLIN, via Basle, June 25.—(I. N. S.)—"Germany and her allies wish to live within the frontiers traced by history, with possessions beyond the seas corresponding to our greatness and richness and our capacity for organization," declared Richard von Kuehlmann, the German foreign secretary, in an address before the reichstag, defining the war aims of the central powers.

The foreign secretary also said that the German allies want freedom of trade to all parts of the world. "Regarding Belgium, we do not wish to bind our hands while our adversaries do not express themselves," added Dr. von Kuehlmann.

DRAFT AGE FORMS TOPIC OF DEBATE

Senator Morris Urges Inclusion of Men Up to 60 Years for United States Army.

Washington, June 25.—(U. P.)—Taking up the question of changing the draft age, the senate today plunged at once into debate on the wisdom of lowering the age from 21.

ROLL OF HONOR

- Washington, June 25.—(I. N. S.)—Ninety casualties in the American expeditionary forces were announced by the war department today, divided as follows: Killed in action: Lieutenant Waples Derricksen, Norfolk, Va.; Lieutenant Clarence Milton Drum, Boston, Mass.; Lieutenant Thomas M. Golden, Philadelphia, Pa.; Lieutenant George G. Hatdock, Milton, Mass.; Killed in airplane accident: Lieutenant Billy Glenn Rushing, Atmore, Ala.; Private George W. B. ...

Ex-Czar Killed At Instance of Bolshevik, Is Latest Report

Petrograd Has Rumor That Former Ruler Was Slain at Ekaterinburg.

London, June 25.—(U. P.)—Unconfirmed reports from Petrograd were in circulation here today that the former czar had been killed at Ekaterinburg by the Bolsheviks. Dispatches from Petrograd declare that the Menshevik and social revolutionaries of the right are expected to control the coming soviet elections, despite the professional politics being played by the Bolsheviks.

A Moscow report said that M. Volodarsky, Bolshevik commissioner of press affairs, was shot dead on the street in Petrograd Friday. A serious disturbance occurred in Ekaterinburg or Yekaterinburg as it is called, is the most important city in the Ural mountains. It is situated on both banks of the River Isset, on the Asiatic side of the Ural and is 1300 miles by rail east of Petrograd (St. Paul).

By Joseph Shaplen Stockholm, June 25.—(U. P.)—Three thousand German troops, accompanied by a cruiser, two destroyers and a submarine, have landed at Porti, near Batumi, it was learned today. They probably seek to effect complete occupation of the Caucasus thus threatening the British in Persia and Mesopotamia. It is believed they will immediately extend their operations to the provinces of Kuba and Kutais.

J. N. TEAL RETURNS FROM WASHINGTON

Secured Modification of Logging Rate, While Other Requests Are Being Considered.

J. N. Teal, who has been in Washington for some time, studying the rate situation from the standpoint of Western shippers, returned to Portland last night. When the recent announcement was made by the railroad administration that the effect that a horizontal raise of 25 per cent in freight rates would be put in effect, with a minimum of \$15 per car, the Western shippers, particularly of lumber and other low classification products, were faced with a condition that meant the practical prohibition of shipment.

How Do You Know That Your Name Wasn't Selected Today?

How do you know that your name wasn't selected by The Journal to appear at random among today's "Journal Want" ads? You don't know unless you have carefully read every ad in The Journal "Want" ads. Consequently you don't know whether or not you have a free Five Dollar War Savings Stamp waiting for you at the Journal business office. Better make sure. Read The Journal "Want" ads now.

ITALIANS BEGIN NEW OFFENSIVE IN NORTH; FOE IS HARD PRESSED

Rear Guard Forces Are Vainly Trying to Stem Italian Advance; 6000 Prisoners Have Been Counted to Date and Large Booty Captured From the Austrians

Enemy Has Been Swept to East Side of the Piave and at Some Points Beyond the Line From Which the Latest Offensive Was Begun; Fighting Continues

LONDON, June 25.—(U. P.)—The Italians have started a counter offensive in the mountain region, it was learned from an authoritative source this afternoon. The Austrians are making a strong resistance, but the Italians have gained.

Rome, June 25.—(U. P.)—The last Austrian rear guard left on the right bank of the Piave has surrendered, the war office announced today. Eighteen officers and 1067 men were taken prisoners. "In the Tonal region," the statement adds, "a surprise attack on an advanced enemy post southeast of Ponti di Ercaello, was successful. All of the garrison was captured. On the northwestern front, near Graffa, our artillery and infantry concentrations gained considerable ground. We took 1333 prisoners and 16 machine guns."

Washington, June 25.—(U. P.)—Italian forces are preparing for a great drive against the Austrians in the Trentino, official Rome cables declared today. Italian cables today announced verification from three sources of dispatches given out at the embassy yesterday that 45,000 Austrian prisoners had been taken in the Austrian retreat across the Piave.

WITH THE ITALIAN ARMIES IN THE FIELD, June 24.—(U. P.)—(Night.)—The Austrian retreat continues. The importance and scope of the Italian success grows hourly. It is now reported that the troops of Archduke Joseph and General von Wurm must surrender or be annihilated. The Piave is choked with enemy dead and the debris of their equipment.

EASTERN OREGON RATE FIGHT OPENS

Contention Made Before Public Service Commission Puget Sound Is Favored.

That rates on grain from Eastern Oregon points to Portland are out of proportion to rates from points in Eastern Washington equidistant from Puget Sound, and that branch line rates in Eastern Oregon are discriminatory, are the charges made against the O. W. R. & N. Co. by wheat-growers. Joining the wheat men in the hearing are the Portland Traffic and Transportation association, the Port of Portland commission and the commission of public docks. When the hearing was opened by Chairman Frank Miller of the public service commission this morning, O. C. Fulton asked and was granted leave on behalf of the city of Astoria and the Port of Astoria to appear as an intervenor. He asked that any decision affecting rates to Portland be made effective July 1, 1918. (Concluded on Page Seventeen, Column Seven)

Eight-Hour Day for Federal Employees

Washington, June 25.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—The eight-hour standard day for government employees in war time was assured when conferees today agreed on the Portland amendment to the legislative bill. This ends the short days in all government departments, despite the efforts of the clerks' lobby to maintain shorter hours.

Most Americans in France Are Fighters

Washington, June 25.—(I. N. S.)—Between 65 and 70 per cent of the 900,000 American troops now overseas are combatants, Secretary of War Baker announced this afternoon, commenting on the fact that Wednesday would be the first anniversary of the arrival of American troops in France.