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SIXTY-EIGHTH YEAR—NO. 79 SALEM, OREGON, THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 27, 1918.

APPEARANCE OF KERENSKY BIG SURPRISE

Announced Intention of Visiting America cause for Speculation in Diplomatic Circles.

RUSSIAN CONDITIONS REPORTED RESTLESS

Big Force Thought Gathering Power for Another Thrust at Hun.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—The unheralded appearance in London today of Alexander Kerensky, former provisional premier of Russia, together with his announcement that he is on his way to America and that he is certain Russia will soon be fighting again with the forces of democracy against German domination, furnished the subject for a discussion in official and diplomatic circles that covered a wide range.

Forest Fires Menacing Timber Around Coos Bay

MARSHFIELD, Or., June 26.—Forest fires originated today in several districts about Coos Bay. The most dangerous one was burning between North Bend and Empire, at the Belka Pole camp, where three residences were destroyed.

People Asked Not to Criticize Newspapers

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RATIONING SYSTEM EMERGENCY MEASURE

Tents and Food on Way—500 Houses Officially Reported Destroyed.

YAIMA, WASH., June 27.—W. F. Foisie of Seattle, chairman of the home service division of the north-west Red Cross, has taken charge of relief work for the 1500 Cle Elum people rendered homeless by the fire which destroyed the greater part of the little mining city yesterday.

COMMITTEE DEBATES Baker and General March Voice Opinions of Executive Department

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Opposition of the administration to proposals before the senate for immediate extension of the selective draft age limits, voiced today by Secretary Baker and General March, chief of staff before the senate military committee, apparently served to increase the senate controversy over an amendment by Senator Fall of New Mexico, to the \$12,000,000,000 army appropriation bill proposing that the age limits be 20 and 40 instead of 21 and 31 years.

STEEN LEADING DAKOTA BALLOT

Non-Partisan Candidate Has Increase with Reports of Half of State.

Directors Appointed

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 26.—President A. J. Davidson of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, was today appointed general manager of that road by Federal Director R. H. Ashton. J. P. O'Brien was appointed general manager of the Oregon-Washington Railway & Navigation company.

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Foreign Secretary About to Resign, It Is Rumored

BASEL, Switzerland, June 26.—A rumor has reached here from Berlin that Dr. Richard von Kuehlmann, the German foreign secretary will resign his portfolio.

Administration to Allow Reduced Excursion Fares

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Reduced excursion fares to summer resorts will be put into effect soon by the railroad administration passenger traffic committees now working on several thousand local rates to sea shore and inland resorts and many of these will be recommended to Director General McAdoo within a week.

Controversy in Senate Given More Impetus

Administration Opposes Proposed Immediate Draft Extension.

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Another Cut in Sugar in Effect Soon

Food Administration Announces Regulations for July 1—Apply to Commercial Users.

Candy-Makers Hurt, Supply Cut in Half

Ice Cream Manufacturers to Have Seventy-Five Per Cent of Needs.

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Slain Man to Be Buried Here

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