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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Saturday unsettled, probably rain west and rain or snow east portion. Fresh winds mostly southerly.

SIXTY-EIGHTH YEAR

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PEACE PACT IS ASSAILED BY SENATORS

Heavy Artillery of Republicans Is Turned Loose on Document Which Is Declared "Fateful Step."

DELIBERATION AND REVISION ARE URGED

Lodge, Lemroot and Frelinghuysen Join in Issuing Strong Warning

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Republican senators today returned to their assault on the constitution of the league of nations as proposed to the peace conference at Paris, with Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, who will be chairman of the powerful foreign relations committee in the new senate, making his first pronouncement since the document became public.

Criticism by the republicans did not pass unchallenged. Chairman Hitchcock of the foreign relations committee took sharp issue with the Massachusetts senator, denouncing as preposterous his suggestion that the league would take from America its right of self defense.

Delivering before crowded floor and galleries an address he had prepared before attending the White House dinner conference last Wednesday night, Senator Lodge warned the American people to consider well before departing from the policies of Washington and to insist upon revision of the league constitution. Later in the day, Senators Lemroot of Wisconsin and Frelinghuysen of New Jersey made additional demands for amendment of the charter.

Senator Lodge, speaking before an audience which included diplomatic representatives from several foreign nations, decried proposals to give powers to the league which he said would cause the Monroe doctrine to "disappear" would abridge American sovereignty, and in the end promote misunderstandings and war instead of the peace which the world so much desired.

The Massachusetts senator assailed especially the provisions for territorial guarantees, mandates and disarmament. Besides demanding revision of these clauses, the senator declared that domestic questions, such as immigration, should be definitely placed in the authority of the league. He said the entire document was loosely drawn, admitting wide interpretation and added that it should be redrafted to make dispute of construction impossible.

Senator Lodge told the senate that for Lincoln's government of the people, by the people and for the people, the United States was now asked to substitute on many vital points government of, for and by other people, and declared the nation should pause and consider well before taking "this fateful step."

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COMMISSIONS TO TEST OUT POWER

Oregon Men to Join in Meeting to Ascertain Their Status in Rate Matters

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 28.—Suit to restrain the railroad companies from collecting the increased switching rates put into effect in Seattle, and to determine if the director general of railroads has power to fix state rate in defiance of the ruling of the public service commission, was filed in Thurston County superior court today by Attorney General W. V. Tanner. Hearing was set for March 21.

This is the first of a series of suits to determine the powers of the railroad administration in relation to state rates, according to the attorney general, who announced that he would carry the case to the United States supreme court if necessary. The public service commission, Attorney General Tanner and O. D. Calderhead, the commission's rate expert, will go to Portland Monday to confer with the Oregon and Idaho commissions on further proceedings against the railroad administration.

DUNLAP CASE WILL COME UP

Hearing May Be Given Officer Who Displeased His Chief

One of the spicy subjects of discussion due to come up before the city council at its regular meeting Monday night will be the dismissal of J. F. Dunlap from the police force. Dunlap has been night sergeant since the first of the year, receiving his discharge on February 16. It will be necessary for the council formally to confirm this before the action becomes final. Dunlap has raised objections and it is not unlikely that he will be given a hearing on the floor during the meeting.

The specific charge to be made against Dunlap, as understood by a member of the health and police committee, is that he called an attorney into the jail a week ago Monday night to consult a prisoner, who maintained he was not getting a square deal. The lawyer is said to have made his visit while Chief of Police Varney was attending council meeting upstairs. It is also alleged that the sergeant was overbearing with the other patrolmen and did not obey orders.

Recommendations for a man to fill the post of desk sergeant will be made by the chief Monday night. Dunlap served on the city police once before, during the Welch administration.

HOHENZOLLERN INTRIGUES ARE MADE TO HALT

Activities of Ex-Emperor Cease Under Glare of Publicity's Light

FRIENDS UNSUCCESSFUL

Efforts Made to Secure His Return to Germany Fail to Find Response

AMERONGEN, Thursday, Feb. 27.—(By The Associated Press)—The Dutch governor of Utrecht, who has surveillance over the former German emperor, visited the castle of Count Von Bentinck last night, supposedly in connection with the recent activities of William Hohenzollern, and German officials who have visited him. Since the publication in Holland of Associated Press dispatches telling of these visits the officials have ceased to come here.

The former monarch has not gone beyond the castle grounds in the past nine weeks and apparently has no intention of moving to another location, although many reports have been current regarding the leasing of a castle at Hardenbroek, near Doorn, which belongs to another member of the order of St. John of Jerusalem. The correspondent visited Hardenbroek and found the castle mentioned to be almost entirely unfurnished. The only point in its favor is its lonely position, a mile from any other habitation.

Herr Hohenzollern's attendants also deny any intention of moving and this is strengthened by further precautions recently taken around the Von Bentinck castle to shield its guest from the public gaze. The railed openings in the wall about the garden have been thickly boarded and topped with barbed wire.

While the emperor performs his daily task of sawing wood for three hours, his wife strolls about the grounds, mostly alone. The former ruler is still engaged afternoons in replying personally to thousands of letters of greeting received on the occasion of his recent birthday. It is reported that several efforts have been made by his supporters to induce him to return to Germany but without success.

ALLISON WINS CUE MEET

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—H. C. Allison of Detroit won from J. E. C. Morton, of Philadelphia, 300 to 243 in thirty-eight innings, and David McAndrews of Chicago defeated Percy P. Trump of Pittsburgh, 300 to 123 in twenty-five innings in today's play in the annual National Amateur Balkline Billiard tournament. High runs: Allison 54 and 34; Morton 35 and 37; McAndrews 63 and 25; Trump 25 and 17. Averages: Allison 7 34-38; Morton 6 15-33; McAndrews 12; Trump 4 23-25.

MAY HANDLE FINANCES

PARIS, Feb. 28.—The financial commission of the peace conference today unanimously adopted the proposition of Louis Klotz, the French minister of finance, for the formation of a financial section of the league of nations.

LOAN PLACED IN JEOPARDY BY CONGRESS

Determination of President Not to Call Extra Session of New Congress Is Creating Dissection at Capital.

MAY WREAK VENGEANCE ON VICTORY LOAN NOW

Democratic Leaders Will Endeavor to Force It Over by Long Filibuster

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Differences between democratic and republican leaders over the legislative situation, echoes from which have been heard daily since President Wilson made known his determination not to call an extra session of the new congress until his return from France, may be forced to an issue tomorrow in the senate with the calling up of the "victory loan" bill. Democratic senators have told the president that in their efforts to force an extra session, the republicans would undertake to defeat this measure, which provides the means of financing the government during the remainder of this fiscal year.

This information did not change the president's determination and tonight the democratic leaders decided to call up the bill tomorrow so that they might determine with reasonable certainty just what were the prospects for rushing necessary legislation through before adjournment next Tuesday.

It was said tonight that the republican leaders' course would await further conferences early tomorrow and for negotiations with the democratic sounding of republican senators' sentiment.

Democratic leaders said notice had been given that the loan bill would be held exclusively and continuously before the senate until disposed of, by unbroken sittings, day and night, if necessary until adjournment. Its importance to the nation's (Continued on page 6)

BOLSHEVISM IS GRINDING DOWN RUSSIAN POOR

Parts of Nation Where Reds Are Rampant Disease and Death Hold Riot

TYPHUS IS SPREADING

Food Situation Is Bad and Children Are Dying from Want of Nutrition

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Additional light on the situation in the portions of Russia under Bolshevik control is given by a summary of reports secured recently from a number of refugees who passed through Helsingfors on their way from Moscow to Stockholm. The summary was made public today by the state department because of the various conflicting accounts of conditions which have been received recently.

"The party at Helsingfors," said the summary, "was composed of French, British, Belgian and Italian citizens, most of them Red Cross workers." The reports all agree as to the excessive cost of all necessities and scarcity of food. Dog meat is quoted at four rubles (two dollars) a pound, horse meat at fifteen rubles a pound and six rubles and bread at fifteen rubles. The country is practically stripped of all manufactured articles, especially wearing apparel and all grain and supplies are requisitioned by the soviet government from peasants who receive nothing in return.

"Typhus is reported to be spreading, 1000 new cases being reported at Moscow weekly and the hospitals are unable to take care of them. Lack of milk has resulted in many deaths of children from starvation.

EVA COOLIDGE PASSES AWAY

Head of Prominent Silverton Bank Succumbs Quickly to Apoplexy

Miss Eva Coolidge died at her home in Silverton yesterday morning.

Miss Coolidge was president of the Coolidge & McClaine bank of that city—the fourth largest bank in Marion county—and held that position for six years.

Her death was unexpected. She had been around the bank the day before but suffered a stroke of apoplexy and expired within eight hours. Deceased was the daughter of the late I. A. Coolidge, a pioneer of 1852, who was one of the leading citizens of that part of Marion county for many years.

The death of Miss Coolidge leaves only one survivor of the I. A. Coolidge family—Alfred Coolidge, the Spokane banker, who has banking interests in other cities of Washington. The funeral arrangements had not been arranged yesterday when the death of Silverton's leading citizen in financial circles reached Salem.

SLAYING OF SOLDIERS TO BE STOPPED

Extreme Penalties Would Have Been Imposed for Trifling Infractions

MEN SENT TO CAMPS

At Least Two of Them Returned to Service by Order of President

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Three additional cases of soldiers in this country sentenced to be shot by courts martial for military offenses and whose sentences were either remitted or commuted by President Wilson, were made public today by the war department.

Private Nicholas Locassie, of the fourth training battalion, replacement group, medical department, Camp Greenleaf, Ga., was convicted on having refused to put on the prescribed military uniform, and two-thirds of the members of the court concurred in the death sentence. Major General Sharpe, commanding the southeastern department recommended that the sentence be commuted to dishonorable discharge and 25 years imprisonment. The president reduced the prison term to 15 years.

Privates Benjamin Breger and Herman D. Kaplan, of the quartermaster corps, Camp Funston, Kas., were charged with having refused to put on the uniform and also with having refused to do non-combatant military service of any kind. In each case the necessary two-thirds members of the court concurred in the death sentence.

In forwarding these cases, Major General Leonard Wood, commanding at Camp Funston, recommended the sentence be commuted to dishonorable discharge from the service, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, due or to become due, and confinement at hard labor for 25 years. The president disapproved both findings and ordered the soldiers released from confinement and restored to duty.

Secretary Baker's attention was called today to the fact that on very similar charges between the case of Private Locassie and the cases of (Continued on page 5)

RICHARDSON IN HULIN'S PLACE

Member of Multnomah Delegation Becomes Assistant State Treasurer

In conformity to arrangements made soon after the election of O. P. Hoff as state treasurer and prior to his assuming the duties of the office on January 1, Lester G. Hulín today relinquished the position of assistant state treasurer in favor of Joseph G. Richardson of Portland.

Mr. Richardson was a member of the legislature from Multnomah county, and because of that position could not be appointed assistant to Mr. Hoff when the latter succeeded T. B. Kay at the first of the year. Mr. Hulín, who is a prominent banking man of Springfield, agreed to serve until the conclusion of the legislature.

NEOPHYTES GO THROUGH MILL BEFORE CROWD

Cherrians Publicly Initiate Part of Their New Members at Big Banquet

HAL PATTON GIVEN CUP

Retiring King Bing Presented With Silver Token by F. G. Deckebach

His legs were spirals of red and blue and white, his coat was an on-sonorial looking vest and his hat a non-descript and bedraggled specimen that clung to the back of his head. The personage was Lee Canfield. The occasion was the annual Cherrian initiation banquet. The judge was Elmo S. White, the prosecuting attorney was Charles A. Knowland, and the evidence was a saw toothed razor no less than four feet in length, a scrubbing bunch and a pair of twelve-inch tin pincers.

But he was no worse looking than coquetish Oscar B. Gettin Rich (Glarich) in chorus girl's attire, or Herbert L. Stiff with his face adorned in hirsute camouflage of a distinctly artificial and weary willie nature or W. H. Prunk walking beneath a ten-foot bottle of one of his own drug preparations.

While an audience of 250 guests gathered about the huge table built in wings, looked on, half a dozen neophytes went through a unique ceremonial on a platform from which the 40 new initiates had but just partaken of their evening meal served in tin cups on graniteware plates amidst a profusion of raw carrots, potatoes and turnips. A collapsible chair, an electric trolley and a complete blindfolding equipment provided sufficient punishment for all offenders receiving sentences from the judge.

The banquet was a big affair, the biggest of the season. It was distinguished among those of previous years in that the women friends of the members were invited. During the meal Todd's quartette, Mrs. H. Mitchell Styles, Miss Lucille Elliott and Miss Ada Miller provided entertainment in the form of music and clev-

GOVERNMENT TO HOLD RAILROADS FOR TIME BEING

Director General Hines Clarifies Situation With Statement at Capital

ONE YEAR YET, ANYWAY

Will Await Chance for Congress to Decide Upon Permanent Procedure

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Uncertainly over the status of railroads in the immediate future was largely removed today by Director General Hines' announcement after conferring with President Wilson that the government would not turn the roads back to private management until congress had more opportunity to consider a permanent program of legislation.

This was generally interpreted as meaning that the railroads would be under government management for at least another year and probably longer. If a special session of congress is called early in the summer railroad legislation might be taken up, but most officials believe this could not be completed within four or five months. If there is no special session, congress could not start on legislation until within a year.

With the temporary status determined the railroad administration will go ahead vigorously with the program for making immediate improvements and extensions, both for the sake of the rail properties, and to stimulate the demand for materials and labor during the readjustment period. Another effect will be the increased use of waterways in accordance with Director General Hines' expressed policy.

It was said at the railroad administration that decision not to relinquish the roads at this time is not a reversal of policy. The railroad administration has long advocated early relinquishment, it was explained, but not until congress had had time to act on the proposed five year extension of government control or to consider other legislation.

JAMES A. WILSON IS KILLED AT MIDNIGHT WHEN CAR HITS AUTO

Mrs. John J. Roberts Is Seriously Injured, Mr. Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Todd Slightly Hurt and Mrs. Wilson Suffers from Shock—Party Returning from Cherrian Banquet When Automobile Is Run Down at South Commercial and Bellevue Streets.

James A. Wilson, assistant secretary of the Pheasant Northwest Products company, and one of the most widely known men in Salem, was almost instantly killed when an automobile in which he was driving with others collided with a street car at South Commercial and Bellevue streets a few minutes before midnight.

Mrs. John J. Roberts was seriously, if not fatally injured, Mr. Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Todd were less seriously injured and Mrs. Wilson, wife of James A. Wilson is suffering seriously from shock.

The members of the automobile party were returning to their homes from the Cherrian banquet at the army in an automobile driven by Mr. Roberts. The automobile was struck squarely in the middle by a car coming north down the Commercial street hill as the driver was turning from South Commercial into Bellevue street. A driving rain, driven by a breeze from the south, was beating against the windshield of the automobile, and to this doubtless the accident can be attributed.

All members of the party are prominent in the business and social life of Salem. For years Mr. Wilson had been connected with the products business in Salem and was with the Northwest Fruit Products company prior to the amalgamation of that company with the Pheasant company. John J. Roberts is prominent as a hop dealer and John W. Todd is city superintendent of schools.

As soon as assistance reached the party following the accident Mr. Wilson was removed to the home of F. S. Craig nearby, and Mrs. Roberts was taken to the home of Mrs. A. Strong at South Commercial and Bellevue streets. By a coincidence her brother, E. Fritz Slade, was a caller at the Strong residence at the time and carried his sister to a room.

Physicians were summoned as soon as possible. Mr. Wilson was taken to the Willamette sanitarium but was dead when the ambulance arrived at the hospital and is believed to have been dead when taken to the Craig residence.

When the collision occurred the impact was so great that almost the entire neighborhood was awakened. The automobile was almost demolished.

The injuries received by Mrs. Todd and Mr. Roberts were slight. While lacerated about the head Mr. Roberts was able to assist in caring for the other members of the party and to give directions for their relief. Mr. Todd probably was not seriously injured, though in a semi-conscious state for a time.

Mrs. Wilson was taken to the home of F. G. Deckebach, 940 D street and placed under the care of a physician. Apparently she was not injured aside from shock. The Deckebachs and the Wilsons are close friends, and the former with other friends of the stricken automobile party gave every possible assistance when apprised of the accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Todd were taken to their home which is only a short distance from the scene of the accident, and were waited upon by neighbors.

Yesterday was the 66th birthday of Mr. Wilson. Among his social affiliations were the Cherrians and the Elks, in both of which he was active.

U-BOATS WILL BE EXHIBITED

United States to See Six of German Sea Devils—Experts to Study Them

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Six of the German submarines surrendered in British harbors are to be brought to the United States soon for exhibition to the public and for study by American experts. They will be representative of the various types of U-boats, from mine planters to the great deep sea cruisers.

In announcing today that arrangements for bringing the submarines across the Atlantic had been completed, the navy department said the six craft were not part of any allocation of submarines to the United States. The ultimate disposition of the German undersea fleet, together with the other surrendered German war craft still is subject to the decision of the peace conference, it was stated officially.

Klamath Falls Girl Dies at Oregon State Hospital

Gertrude M. Cress of Klamath Falls, 19 years old, and Mrs. Louise Goff of Albany, 52, died at the state hospital for the insane Thursday night. The former was committed to the state hospital in March, 1917. Her mother, Mrs. Genevieve L. Cress of California is here and disposition of the remains awaits arrival of other relatives. Mrs. Goff was committed from Albany only a few days ago. Relatives have taken the body to Albany for interment.

APPROVE POWER REPORT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The conference report on the long pending waterpower legislation was approved today by the house by a vote of 264 to 65, but it is yet to be acted upon in the senate.

SUNDRY CIVIL BILL PASSED

Federal Employment Service Appropriation Left Out of Money Measure

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The house late tonight passed the last of the annual appropriation measures, the \$850,000,000 sundry civil bill. The measure now goes to the senate, where many other money measures still are awaiting action. Unsuccessful efforts were made to insert in the bill a provision to continue the Federal Employment Service after next July.

An amendment to appropriate \$10,000,000 for the service was ruled out of order by Representative Garret of Tennessee, acting speaker, who said the bureau had never been authorized by congress and that it would not be permissible, therefore, to make an application for it. The decision was sustained by a vote of 114 to 58.

Some of the larger appropriations carried in the bill were \$96,000,000 for the treasury; \$62,000,000 for the shipping board and Emergency Fleet Corporation; \$24,000,000 for the war department; \$18,000,000 for the interior department; \$8,500,000 for the judiciary; \$9,800,000 for the department of commerce and \$2,000,000 for the department of labor.

No Fatal Accidents Are Reported to Commission

For the first time in months no fatal accidents were reported to the state industrial accident commission for the week ending February 27. The total of accidents was 416 of which 386 were subject to the provisions of the workmen's compensation act. 18 were from the firms and corporations that have rejected the provisions of the act and 12 were from public utility corporations not subject to the act.