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ARMISTICE IS OBSERVED BY LARGE CROWD

Huge Street Parade of Patriotic Organizations Is Morning Feature — Veterans of Wars Included

JUDGE HARRIS GIVES ADDRESS AT ARMORY

Building Filled to Capacity to Hear Talk; Fine Program Is Held

Salem paused in its many activities yesterday to celebrate the signing of the armistice five years ago and to pay its homage to the men, both living and dead, who offered their lives to the service of their country in its time of need.

Hundreds of persons gathered along the line of march while the long parade of Civil war veterans, ex-service men and their auxiliaries passed through the business district from Marion square to the ceremony at the armory.

Four Sublime Days "There are four sublime days in each year," declared Justice Lawrence T. Harris, of the Oregon supreme court, speaker of the day. "These are July 4, June 14 (National flag day), May 30 and November 11. Each is observed by loyal Americans as a reminder of the struggles and sacrifices by which freedom was established. Each carries its own suggestions and in some respect is different from the other."

"July Fourth is a day of exaltation and joy; June 14 is set aside by an act of congress as the anniversary of the adoption of the national flag; Memorial day is one of solemnity and is followed by brave lives offered at the altar of the country; Armistice day is one of mingled gladness and solemnity."

"It is fitting that November 11 should be a day of celebrating," continued the speaker. "It is eminently fitting to rejoice but not to forget the sacrifices that were made. All national holidays have the same purpose—reminders of sacrifices of others to obtain free government. These days remind us of the ideals for which the United States entered into conflicts. Had it not been for this there might be no day of joy today. Every call made upon any organization during the World war met with wonderful response and over-subscription, whether that call be for men, service or for money."

Prominence Stressed The important place the nation took in the World war as emphasized by Justice Harris, who made many comparisons. Early estimates as to possible force of men the United States could land in France were placed at 500,000. The total number overseas was 2,300,000, with an additional 2,000,000 ready to go, backed by 100,000,000 American men, women and children. In October, 1918, the American forces held a total of 101 miles along the western front, 23 per cent of the total front. While the United States was not in the war as long as the allies, it spent one-fifth of the expenditures of all the allies, a sum sufficient to finance the government from 1771 until the day of the declaration of war in 1917.

America's riflemen greatly exceeded all estimates, Justice Harris continued. Germany had increased her riflemen to 1,639,000 in June, 1918, while the allies, on June 15, had an equal number. But the time the armistice was signed the allies had in the field 600,000 more riflemen than the Germans, due to the rapid arrival of American troops.

Comparisons Are Made "In making comparisons between battles of the World and Civil war you must bear in mind that the fighting was as fierce and the casualties as great," Justice Harris declared. "Great Britain lost 33 per cent of her strength while the Union and Confederate

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BOY SCOUTS DISPOSE OF OLD FLAGS

Emblems Burned in Simple Service Following Armistice Day Program

The ceremony of properly disposing of old and worn out national emblems was carried out Monday by the Boy Scouts of Salem when several hundred flags were burned following the program at the armory. The flags are those which have been used to decorate the veterans graves last Memorial day and had been gathered in by the Boy Scouts for proper disposal.

The fire was built on the gravelled street just east of the armory by Scouts and the flags were cast on the fire by representatives of the various veterans' organizations of Salem.

Rev. Martin Fereshtian offered a prayer and Judge Earl Race made a brief talk on reverence for the flag and the proper and reverent manner in which old and worn out national emblems should be disposed of.

This was the first time this ceremony has been carried out publicly in Salem but it is hoped to make it an annual affair on Armistice day. Much favorable comment was made on the service by Salem folk who witnessed it for the first time.

The flags used in decorating the armory yesterday were hung in accordance with the new rules passed last spring by a committee of all veterans organizations which met in Washington, according to F. H. Zinser, Boy Scout executive for Marion county. Much criticism was directed at those in charge of decorating for the program, it is said, and Mr. Zinser made this explanation last night. In hanging the flags from the rafters in the armory a committee hung them so that the union was in the correct position as viewed by those entering the armory. The flag should when hung on a wall or in a window, be placed with the union in the left hand corner whether hung horizontal or perpendicular. A recent ordinance introduced at the request of the veterans' organizations of Salem will provide a penalty for wrong display of the flag.

MANY HEAR GILBERT TALK IN SILVERTON

Delbert Reeves Post of Legion Arouse Town Folk Early for Celebration

SILVERTON, Or., Nov. 12.—(Special to The Statesman)—A large audience attended the Armistice day program held at the Eugene Field auditorium Monday morning. Lieutenant Colonel W. S. Gilbert of Astoria was the speaker of the day. In opening his talk Colonel Gilbert first referred to Silvertown as the home of Homer Davenport.

Commander Carl Moser of the American Legion introduced Colonel Gilbert. Other numbers on the program included invocation by Rev. Clayton Judy, a vocal solo by Mrs. S. E. Richardson, selections by the combined 4-L and Trinity bands, selections by a mixed quartet composed of Mrs. S. E. Richardson, Mrs. Gordon McCall, Gordon McCall and L. C. Eastman, vocal solo by Mrs. M. G. Anderson, benediction by Rev. J. A. Bennett.

Silvertown residents were made aware of Armistice day celebration at an early hour in the morning by the sounding of the fire siren. The fireboys, and the many merely curious citizens responded to the call only to find a huge bonfire on the vacant lot across from Allen Brothers' garage on North Water street. A committee of American Legion boys were present to enjoy the appearance of those who came out.

At 9 o'clock a large parade formed in front of the high school and paraded through the principal streets of Silvertown winding up at the auditorium for the program.

Colonel John Leader Is Armistice Day Speaker

EUGENE, Or., Nov. 12.—Col. John Leader, world war veteran of the British army and former commandant of the reserve officers' training corps of the University of Oregon was the speaker at the Armistice day celebration here this afternoon, following a military parade on the streets. More than 300 veterans of the World war, the Spanish-American war and the Civil war were guests of the various women's auxiliaries of the veterans' societies at a dinner at noon.



LOT PURCHASERS WILL GET REFUNDS

Fred Erixon to Play Santa Claus for Highway Addition Land Owners

At the open forum membership meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to be held in the auditorium of the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, Fred A. Erixon will appear in the role of a Santa Claus. It all happened like this: Two or three years ago at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Erixon was appointed chairman of a committee to investigate the problem of extending North Capitol street to meet the fair grounds road.

After all sorts of discouragements, Mr. Erixon succeeded in selling lots to a number of people who believed in the rapid development of that part of the city. But in estimating costs of each lot, figures were only approximate. Those buying had confidence in Mr. Erixon and paid him the figure he made, with the understanding there would be a refund in case things worked out that way.

It is the unexpected that sometimes happens and in this instance each purchaser of a lot in the Highway addition which Mr. Erixon had secured for the city, is entitled to a refund.

Now at the monthly membership meeting to be held Wednesday evening, Mr. Erixon will hand out to those entitled to the money, and Mr. Erixon says, "Come and get it." That is, come to the Wednesday evening meeting. Those entitled to sums ranging from \$15 to \$47 are as follows: Elmer White, Alice D. Myers, F. E. Clark, John Bewier, Mrs. L. L. Rickman, George C. Jackson, Clara I. Shields, Argyll M. Harris, Salem Tile & Brick Co., B. C. Miles, R. C. Magee, Dean Schoemaker, Chas. A. Grimm, F. E. Brassfield, P. M. Gregory, Emil Joseph, F. L. Joseph, G. F. Gray, F. W. Steusloff, Edw. Schunke, T. M. Hicks, Dr. Henry E. Morris, U. S. Page, M. M. Poulsen, Dan J. Fry, H. C. Hummel, Nellie M. Brown, J. A. Duncanson, Earl A. Gregg and C. F. Victor.

GERMAN SHIP ARRIVES

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Nov. 12.—Flying the black, white and red flag of the German republic, the Kosmos liner Oesrus, from Hamburg, arrived here today, being the first German ship to enter this port since 1914. Captain Walther and his men found the city and all vessels in port escorted and smiled grimly when told they had arrived just in time to help celebrate Armistice day.

BIG AIR RAID IS ARMISTICE CELEBRATION

Spokane Stormed By Air Craft While Guns Answer and Lights Search Sky

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 12.—Spokane tonight experienced an air raid when, as a part of the Armistice day celebration, five airplanes hovered over the city, dropping bombs and rockets. Street lights were turned off during the raid and anti-aircraft pieces answered the planes from vantage points of tops of some of the larger buildings while searchlights swept the skies.

An extensive military parade this afternoon was led by the regulars from Fort Wright and included representatives from guardsmen, ex-service men of the American and allied armies, women's auxiliary organizations and boy scouts.

YAMHILL COUNTY VETERANS HONORED

38 Who Paid Supreme Sacrifice Receive Tribute of People of County

McMINNVILLE, Nov. 12.—Indiscriminate admission of aliens was one of the things against which Adjutant General George A. White warned his hearers here Sunday at the Armistice day program. Sunday when a soldier memorial was unveiled.

General White said that future generations might dwell upon the details of the late war, but for us the desire is to forget its horrors and direct our attention to the blessings of peace and national safety. "Twenty families who lost sons or daughters in the world war occupied reserved seats. The monument is dedicated to those who lost their lives in the world war whose homes were in Yamhill county. General White said the percentage of those who paid the supreme sacrifice from Yamhill county was higher than the average for Oregon counties. Thirty-eight did not return and 38 were returned wrecked in body and several have died since their return.

Miss Byrd Will Give Concert in Silvertown

SILVERTON, Or., Nov. 12.—(Special to The Statesman)—The Silvertown Library board has secured Miss Winifred Byrd to give a benefit concert at Silvertown December 3 for the Homer Davenport Memorial fund.

WOULD REDUCE WHEAT ACREAGE

Farm Committee Plans Long Time Program for Grain Farmers of U. S.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—The present wheat acreage of 62,000,000 acres planted should be reduced gradually to 50,000,000 acres, an acreage sufficient to take care of domestic demands, as rapidly as profitable alternative crops can be introduced, the wheat production committee of the wheat council of the United States has decided, President Sydney Anderson of the council, announced at the end of day's meeting of the committee here today. The meeting will be continued tomorrow.

The committee, Mr. Anderson said, is confining its consideration to the development of a long-time program and the economic measures necessary to carry out such a program and afford relief to the wheat farmer. The report, he said, will not attempt to deal with the immediate situation or its remedies. The average annual consumption of wheat in the United States for food, feed for animals and seed is about six bushel per capita or about 600,000,000 bushel a year. The average yield per acre over a period of 12 years is about 13.4 bushels, he said. The additional wheat required from year to year to meet the requirements of increased population should be obtained from a larger yield per acre rather than from an increased acreage, he said.

Body of Kelso Bridge Disaster Found in River

KELSO, Wash., Nov. 12.—The body of Lloyd Huntington, who was drowned when the Kelso bridge collapsed last January was found near here today in the Cowitz river below a point where a dredger has been engaged in the work. The identification was made from papers found in his pockets. This was the fifth body to be recovered. More than 40 persons were believed to have been drowned in the disaster.

DAUGHTERS FOUND

DANVILLE, Ill., Nov. 12.—After searching for 22 years in all parts of the United States and Canada and spending a small fortune in an effort to locate her two kidnapped daughters, Mrs. Thomas Everman, of near Kankakee has discovered that for many years she has resided within a hundred miles of her long lost children. One, now Mrs. Ralph W. Wright, resides in Danville and the other, Mrs. Charles Bolton, resides in Farmington, Ill.

ALIEN LAND LAW UPHELD BY COURTS

States May Prohibit Foreigners From Holding Lands Provided There Is No Treaty Involved

OPINION END LEGAL BATTLE ON PACIFIC

States Have Wide Discretion Says Opinion Given on Two State Laws

Aliens can be prohibited by states from owning land provided there is no treaty stipulation to the contrary, the supreme court announced today in an opinion ending in a legal controversy which for years had been an issue on the Pacific coast. The question has shared in importance with the controversy which was waged over the right of Japanese to citizenship until the court removed the latter from the field of discussion by a decision last term. The issue reached the supreme court in two cases, one from Washington, brought by Frank Terrace and his wife and N. Nakatsuka, and the other from California, brought by W. I. Porterfield and Y. Mizuno. While the cases presented only the question of the proposed leasing of land to ineligible aliens the court squarely met the issue and passed upon the broad question of the constitutionality of the law. It held that states could, as Washington had, prohibit from owning land aliens eligible to citizenship but who had not declared their intentions, as well as aliens ineligible to citizenship, or, as California had, restrict the prohibition to aliens who had not in good faith, declared intention to become citizens. No Violation. The states of California and Washington sought to have the challenge disposed of upon the technicality that in neither case had there been an actual violation of the law, there having been no leases made nor any confiscation of land as provided by the two states as penalty for the violation of the law. They had been successful in having the attack decided in the lower courts without going into the merits of the constitutionality of the laws. The supreme court found, however, that there was presented certain equitable rights which entitled both the land owner and the proposed Japanese lessee to a decision on the validity of the law before they had incurred liability to punishment. It therefore assumed full jurisdiction to review the cases from every point of view. The main decision was handed down in the Washington case, the court explaining that the grounds upon which the Washington alien land law was attacked, included those on which the California act was assailed. It not only found the laws in harmony with all rights guaranteed under the constitution but in their direct application to the Japanese, it discussed the treaty with Japan, concluding that it guaranteed the subjects of that empire no such right as that for which they contended in the matter of owning or leasing land. Other Cases Remain. Two other cases arising under the alien land laws which were presented to the court along with the leasing cases decided today one holding that Japanese could enter into cropping contracts, and the other prohibiting them from owning stock in any corporation organized to own or deal in agricultural lands, were not decided today, the court confining its consideration to the legality of the alien land laws. In the matter of determining who shall be permitted to own land, the states have wide discretion, the court declared in the opinion, which was rendered by Justice Butler. Each state, it said, has its own problems, and it is not always practical or desirable that legislation shall be the same in all the states. The two alien land laws before it, however, presented substantially the same constitutional questions. The fourteenth amendment, largely relied upon in the attack upon the validity of the laws, Justice Butler explained, protects owners in their rights to lease and dispose of their land for lawful purposes, and the alien resident in his right to earn a living by following ordinary occupations of the community. But, he added,

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HIGH HATS WILL BE USED FOR PRINCE

Citizens Brush Best Clothes in Anticipation of Prussian's Arrival

OELS, Silesia, Nov. 12.—(By The Associated Press)—Practically all of Oels leading citizens from the probate court judge down, have donned Prince Albert coats and high hats in honor of the former German Crown Prince's home coming. American and other foreign press correspondents and motion picture men have descended upon the town by the score in airplanes, motor cars or by railway. The hotels were filled to overflowing and the proprietors were obviously more pleased than the other citizens over the return of the town to a pre-war status. No official reception has been planned for Frederick William, the burgo-master not having been officially advised of his return. The exile comes back as a private citizen. Furthermore, the castle is under separate jurisdiction and not under the control of the local administration. There are only 20 known communists living in Oels, whose working population of approximately 3000 is, however, seemingly anything but elated over the possibility of the town's becoming a monarchistic headquarters. The former king of Saxony, Frederick August, lives on an estate 10 miles away. A certain faction, however, welcomed the exile and "Deutschland Uber Alles" resounded in the leading beer halls today. Telegrams and flowers are pouring into the castle and servants are beginning to show irritation over the number of callers endeavoring to find out what is going on within the court which encircles Polish, Austrian and German princes in turn through four centuries of Silesian turmoil and war.

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POLITICAL CRISIS FACED BY BRITISH

Free Trade Issue May Cause Dissolving of Parliament Prediction

LONDON, Nov. 12.—(By The Associated Press)—The British parliament will resume its labor tomorrow without special ceremony, to proceed with the unfinished stages of humdrum measurement like the workmen's compensation and similar bills. That was the prospect when the house of commons adjourned for the summer recess, but the fates have ordained otherwise and the members reassemble under the shadow of a great political crisis and probable dissolution within the coming week, to test the opinion of the country on the vexed controversy of protection versus free trade, which is agitating the political world as it has not been agitated except by a similar controversy, launched in 1905, by Joseph Chamberlain and by the debates on Irish independence. It is not known tonight what exactly will happen, though it is stated with a great show of authority that parliament will dissolve next Thursday. The fact that the prime minister had a conference with the king today gives color to this report, as Mr. Baldwin would require his majesty's formal consent to such a course. Conservative headquarters, however, declined tonight to confirm or deny the report, being content to say that nobody knows except the prime minister.

Senate Committee Will Hear Forbes Report Today

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—The senate investigating committee prepared today for the appearance before it tomorrow of Charles R. Forbes, former director of the Forbes' bureau, who has been the center of fire in the inquiry. The senate investigating committee prepared today for the appearance before it tomorrow of Charles R. Forbes, former director of the Forbes' bureau, who has been the center of fire in the inquiry.

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PASSPORTS FOR KAISER RECEIVED

Former German Emperor Receives Passports for Himself and Suite—Many Messages Sent

DECEMBER 4 DAY SET FOR RESUMING THRONE

Ambassador's Council Put Settlement of Crown Prince Up to Governments

BRUSSELS, Nov. 12.—(By The Associated Press)—The former German emperor is preparing to return to the fatherland. He already has in his hands passports for himself and his suite and the Brussels Gazette goes so far as to say that it is expected the Hohenzollern monarchy will be restored on December 4, William or his son, the former Crown Prince, Frederick William, ascending the throne. Private advices from Doorn, received by the Agence Telegraphique Belge, says that a courier, von Hoechst, arrived at Doorn at 4 o'clock this afternoon with 12 German passports for the ex-kaiser and his immediate entourage. A telegram in cipher was received there in the morning and early in the afternoon there was a long conference between William and those close to him. Official Calls. Later a Dutch official and Dr. Kana of the ministry interior called and was closeted with the former emperor for 35 minutes. A wireless system has been installed at Doorn house, which has been the residence of the head of the Hohenzollerns during the later years of his internment in Holland and messages are received from Nauen at noon daily.

BERLIN, Nov. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—Frederick William is due at Oels Tuesday, according to semi-official information here. He is reported to have made several convenient stops on his way from the border, spending Saturday and Sunday nights on estates of his old friends in Southwest Brandenburg.

While it was rumored he was in close proximity to Berlin, official quarters deny this and declare that he is living up strictly to the promise he gave Chancellor Stresemann.

Left to Governments

PARIS, Nov. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—The allied council of ambassadors practically washed its hands this afternoon of the case arising from the former German Crown Prince's flight from Holland by referring it to their governments. A note from the German government, replying to the ambassador's representations in the matter, was received in the morning stating that the Berlin authorities saw no justification either in right or in fact for opposing the return of a German subject to his family in Germany.

DRAWN STIFF FINE

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Samuel Miller, who was passing out 100,000 marks for one cent at a street corner when a policeman arrested him for failure to produce a peddler's license, was fined the equivalent of 16,000,000,000 marks by Magistrate Oberwager today. That amounts to \$2 American money.