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### UNDERSEA WARFARE NOT TO BE GIVEN UP DESPITE NOTE

Germany is Determined to Continue Reprisal Against Allied Enemy, it is Unofficially Said.

### U. S. CAN PROTECT CITIZENS

Berlin Foreign Office Accepts General Principle of Right of This Country to Safeguard Her People Under all Conditions—Note Will be Answered in Detail.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Germany unofficially has accepted the general principle that American citizens shall be protected and safeguarded by the United States under all conditions. Asserting that it is contrary to all ruling of international law, she will reject the suggestion that the United States can demand a complete abandonment of the German submarine warfare. Germany holds America's legal right to extend only to the protection of vessels of American register and the safety of Americans aboard legitimate merchantmen. This is understood to be the German position outlined to Ambassador Gerard during a series of unofficial conferences with the Berlin foreign office. Gerard stated Germany's answer will be most specific in character.

The German reply will take up the American note paragraph by paragraph from Germany's understanding of international law. Submarine warfare will be warmly defended as a reprisal against the enemy which court-martens and offers rewards for ramming submarines. Resolutions adopted by the British board of trade and shippers approving the destroying of submarines by merchant ships, will be quoted.

### WINSTON CHURCHILL WILL BE SUCCEEDED BY BALFOUR

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW COALITION WAR CABINET TO BE MADE SOON.

LONDON, May 20.—The announcement of Great Britain's new coalition war cabinet will be made within a fortnight. This was a certainty following the adjournment of parliament last night until June 1. In government circles it is believed Arthur Balfour will succeed Winston Churchill while Lord George will share the responsibilities of the war office with Kitchener.

## MORE THAN 1600 COYOTES HAVE BEEN KILLED IN LAST 10 WEEKS

Under the stimulus of the new Oregon bounty law, the hunting of coyotes and other predatory wild animals has been done in the past ten weeks on a scale never equaled before and, in consequence, more than 1600 of these animals have been killed. Practically 99 per cent of those killed have been coyotes, the ravager of the sheep ranges and farmyards.

### Przemysl About to Fall Before Troops of German General

MACKENZEN ENVELOPING THE FORTRESS IN GALICIA HELD BY RUSSIANS.

LONDON, May 20.—Przemysl is about to fall before General Von Mackensen, according to the opinion of military critics following an official admission from Petrograd that the Austro-Germans have crossed the San river with large forces. Only the arrival of reinforcements, reported en route, can save the fortress to the Russians, they declare.

The only reassurance given in the Russian announcement is the statement the czar's forces still retain both banks of the San between Jaroslau and Przemysl. But it was semi-officially confirmed the Austro-Germans are sweeping forward in an enveloping movement. They have pierced the Russian line at Sienava and the left wing is moving along the right bank of the San to attack Przemysl in the rear.

### HIGH PRICES PAID FOR MEDIUM WOOL IN IDAHO

### SALE AT BAKER POSTPONED BECAUSE OF DELAY IN SHEARING OPERATIONS.

Despite the fact the prices offered for wool at the sale set for Mountain Home May 18, were such that the growers would not accept them there is news to the effect that within the past four or five days a million pounds of Idaho and Utah wool has been sold at prices ranging from 27 to 28 cents. This report came to Senator J. N. Burgess from Salt Lake and according to the information the sales were of medium clips.

According to a report to a Portland paper from Mountain Home a quarter of a million pounds of wool was offered for sale there and with 15 buyers present the bids ranged no higher than 22 1/2 cents. No sales were made owing to the refusal of the growers to take such prices. The next sale for Mountain Home is to be held June 1.

### F. F. FRIEDLE MAY DIE FROM INJURY

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20.—Frederick F. Friedle, superintendent of the Portland Lined Oil Works, was perhaps fatally injured when his automobile was struck by a Northern Pacific passenger train.

### Haldane Hints at Conscription



LONDON, May 20.—Viscount Haldane, Lord high chancellor, in the house of lords, sounded a note of warning to the nation on the possibility of conscription. He said:

"We are fighting for our lives in perhaps the most tremendous war in history and, even though we may think that under ordinary conditions and in times of peace the system of voluntary enlistment is one from which it would be the most difficult to depart, yet we may find that we shall have to reconsider that situation in the light of the tremendous necessities of the nation. I think conscription may come but it is well to remember that our voluntary system has given us an army which, for quality compares with anything that can be put in the field."

### INTERIOR CITIES WILL GAIN THROUGH DECISION

### INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION FIXES MAXIMUM FREIGHT RATE.

WALLA WALLA, May 20.—Local jobbers and merchants are much pleased over the announcement that the transcontinental railroads are giving the interstate commerce commission to establish low freight rates to intermountain cities, including Walla Walla, Spokane and others, to such a degree as they may deem necessary in building up their interior business. The order according to jobbers is favorable to these cities and means the immediate building up of Walla Walla and other intermountain cities as big distributing centers. The decision was made in the so-called Spokane rate case in which Walla Walla was interested.

While the commission appears to disapprove of the original plan submitted by the railroads for building up their interior centers, it establishes a maximum rate to these centers, but no minimum. This is construed by local jobbers to mean that, while no definite rate is fixed by the commission, the railroads can give the interior points a rate as low as the coast rate, or higher, if they desire, always on the condition, however, that the new rate is not greater than the terminal rate plus 75 per cent of the local rate from the nearest terminal back to the interior point. Even the maximum rate, it is pointed out, would mean a lower rate than existing rates on many commodities.

### MAY WHEAT STRONGER AT CHICAGO TODAY

CHICAGO, May 20.—(Special)—An advance of a cent and a quarter in May wheat quotation is shown here today over yesterday's market. At the close May was listed at \$1.52 1/2; July at \$1.20 2/5 and Sept. \$1.20 1/2.

### PORTLAND, Ore., May 20.—(Special)—Portland wheat quotations today are club, \$1.11; bluestem \$1.15.

### ITALY'S ENTRANCE INTO WAR IS NOW MATTER OF HOURS

Parliament Will Give Cabinet Plenary Powers—Declaration of Hostilities Will Then be Made.

### ARTILLERY ON THE FRONTIER

Only Official Signal Now Lacking to Put Italian War-Machine into Action—Thousands of Troops Are Hurried to Strategic Positions.

ROME, May 20.—Italy's decision for peace or war rests with Premier Salandra, the cabinet and the general staff. Parliament by a vote of 365 to 54 gave the government full authority to act against Austria by passing a bill conferring plenary powers upon the cabinet. The announcement of this action taken by the chamber of deputies is believed to mean that when the general staff is ready an ultimatum will be delivered to Austria. This may be within 24 hours.

As the news was flashed to the crowds outside of the parliament building, it was received with a mighty cheer which spread throughout the city. Over the military telegraph lines, word was flashed to the frontier. Everywhere it was greeted with the greatest enthusiasm as a certain forerunner of war.

Italy charges Austria with responsibility for the world war in explaining it was necessary for her to break off negotiations as to concessions with Vienna, and pending her entrance into the conflict on the side of the allies an imminent probability. The explanation of the foreign office made public in the Green Book, charges that Austria broke faith with Italy when she delivered her ultimatum to Serbia last July. This, it was declared, disturbed the entire Balkan states to the detriment of Italy.

ROME, May 20.—Cheering crowds surrounded the parliamentary building today when the chamber of deputies met in what the patriotic throats termed the "war session." In this session Premier Salandra will make the announcement of the government's policy. Before midnight parliament is expected to pass a bill giving the cabinet plenary powers. A declaration of war is then believed to be only a matter of hours. Italy is ready to strike. For 24 hours, trains have been hurrying troops to the Austrian frontier.

Artillery has been placed in position at strategic points and only an official signal from Rome is awaited to put the Italian war machine in motion. Within 12 hours Pope Benedict has thrown his influence to the side of Italy. His holiness approved the text of prayer to be recited by the Italian soldiers on the battlefield and expressed the hope that victory will rest with Italian arms.

The foreign office made public today the "Green Book" which summarizes the negotiations carried on with Austria. This will serve as a basis for Premier Salandra's statement to the chamber of deputies. The book confirms the previous reports that the Italian cabinet denounced the triple alliance May 4.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Reports were current here that Germany has requested Switzerland instead of the United States to represent her in Italy when a break with the Rome government comes. At the state department comment on the report was refused. Diplomats are aware that Italy has arranged for the United States to take over her interests in Constantinople, Vienna and Berlin when war is declared. The American ambassador also is expected to represent Austria in Rome.

PARIS, May 20.—Several Italian regiments left Milan for the eastern frontier today, according to dispatches here.

### NEWS SUMMARY

- General. Germany will not abandon her undersea warfare despite note of protest from United States. Italy hastens troops to frontier ready to strike at Austria.
- Local. Hundreds of amateur workers striking for good roads today. Over 1600 coyotes killed in Umatilla county in past few weeks. Parker and Banfield of Portland low bidders on hospital wing. Pioneer Athena merchant passes away. City starts proceedings for paving of four streets.

### America Will Give German Answer



The German ambassador to the United States, Count von Bernsdorff, and his wife. Through Count von Bernsdorff will come Germany's answer to the American note of protest against submarine warfare on passenger-carrying steamships.

### C. W. HOLLIS, FORMERLY OF ATH'NA, CALLED BY DEATH

### PIONEER MERCHANT OF THIS COUNTY IS MOURNED BY WIDOW AND 2 SONS.

News was received here this morning of the death in Lamont, Wash., on April 25, of C. W. Hollis, one of the pioneer merchants of Athena and well known to every old time resident of the county. The news was contained in a letter to Will M. Peterson from the wife of the deceased.

Mr. Hollis started business in Athena, Cal., then Centerville, in the early eighties, running a general store. For a number of years the firm name was Hollis & Van Cleave. At that time the town was nothing more than a rough pioneer village but Mr. Hollis prospered and when he left there 14 years ago he was reputed to be worth \$100,000.

From Athena he went to Oakland, California, where he remained until three years ago. He moved to Lamont, and has since conducted the largest hardware and implement store in that city. He is survived by his widow and two grown sons.

### Houston Won't Talk War.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20.—Secretary of Agriculture Houston who is on an inspection trip of all the forest reserves in the country, spent a couple of hours in Portland. He went from here to the Columbia forest reserve near Stevenson, Wash. He refused to talk politics or war.

## PARKER AND BANFIELD LOWEST BIDDERS FOR HOSPITAL WING; CONTRACT IS NOT YET AWARDED

Parker and Banfield of Portland were the lowest bidders for the construction of the new wing at the Eastern Oregon State Hospital and it is considered they will have the contract though it has not as yet been awarded. According to a message from Secretary of State Olcott to the East Oregonian the contract will probably be made tomorrow.

## SEVERAL HUNDRED MEN WORKING FOR GOOD ROADS TODAY

Volunteer Army Mobilizes and Leaves for Scenes of Action in Automobiles This Morning.

### ENTIRE COUNTY CONCERNED

Good Roads Work Is General and Men in Every Section Are Out on the Flying Line Today—Never Before Has So Much Enthusiasm for Good Roads Been Exhorted.

Thousands of good, stout blows are being struck today in the cause of good roads in Umatilla county. Several hundred volunteer laborers in all sections of the county are observing the state-wide "Good Roads Day" by donating physical service toward eliminating many of the spots that make travel difficult.

Between 7 and 8:30 this morning Pendleton sent out more than a dozen auto loads of business men and clerks to join the forces from the farms in the improvement work. Several other autos left this afternoon to swell the bands of toilers.

Reports from over the county indicate that the good roads work is general. Many farmers have had forces at work all week and will continue on until the roads in their communities are in good shape. It is doubtful if ever in the history of the county there has been so many workers on the roads and so much enthusiasm shown in the cause.

One of the first autos to leave Pendleton this morning was that of Henry Rosenberg. With Mr. Rosenberg was Mr. Hoch, one of the proprietors of Bingham Springs, and others. They were armed with picks and shovels and will devote the day toward improving the road to the popular summer resort. The road is too wet for general work so the party is devoting its time toward draining the wet spots. Ploied by J. F. Robinson, the auto of H. G. Elydenstein and Douglas Belts left about 8:30 on the same direction and they are doing some work on Thorn Hollow grade. Later it is planned to take a big auto party to work on these roads.

Dr. F. W. Vincent headed a three-auto party to the Pilot Rock road this morning. The Judd, Murphy and Vincent cars were all filled and they were met on the McKay grade by Julius Guderian and other farmers, equipped with all kinds of road-making implements.

J. W. McCormmach, W. H. McCormmach, John Vaughan and Gunder Terguson composed a party of the force leaving at 7:30 for the Echo road. R. W. Ritter, John Crow and other farmers, who have been improving the road to the agency and mission station for several days, were out early this morning and they will persevere until they have a good highway to the warehouses for their grain. Lowell Rogers, J. O. Hales, Sam Thompson and other farmers near Adams took out men this morning and called out their farm hands, too. Rogers has had a crew at work several days.

E. W. McComas organized a party that has been working for several days on the Upper McKay road. Barney Anderson has a force working the roads near Fulton station and the work they are doing is needed about as badly as any place in the county. They will probably continue on through the week.

With practically every force there is the road supervisor of the particular locality and he is directing the operations. Some of the gangs have steel drags with which they are grading up the roads, filling in the chuck holes and giving the roads proper drainage. Picks and shovels are being worked with vigor and, altogether, the net results of "Good Roads Day" will amount to considerable.

Nearly all of the parties leaving Pendleton took out coffee pots and lunches. The Pilot Rock party took along Togo, the Wenaha Club chef, to provide the noonday refreshments.

### HIDDEN BATTERIES FORCE ALLIED SHIPS TO WITHDRAW

### TURKS AT BARDANELES POUR IN TERRIFIC FIRE INTO BATTLE FLEET.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 20.—Hidden batteries inside the Dardanelles bombarded the British battleships so effectively during Monday's engagement in the straits that the warships were forced to withdraw, an official statement declared. The French bombardier ships on Tuesday but were driven off.