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Fair tonight; light frost; Saturday fair, warmer.

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# BODY OF MAN, MURDERED, IS FOUND IN AN ABANDONED WELL

## RELATIONS WITH AUSTRIA ARE AT BREAKING POINT

Wilson Demands Recall of Ambassador Dumba for Latter's Attempts to Cripple Munition Factories.

## MAY BE HANDED PASSPORTS

Good Ground for Believing That Austria Will Back Up Ambassador in His Recent Activities—Diplomatic Relations May End If America's Demands Are Unheeded.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—Relations between America and Austria are strained almost to the breaking point today, following President Wilson's demand for Ambassador Dumba's recall because of the latter's efforts to cripple American munition plants by calling a strike. The threatened breach may mean a severance of diplomatic relations but this will not necessarily cause war. High officials admitted, however, the situation is pregnant with possibilities of an open break.

If Austria refuses to heed the American request to recall Dumba, the United States will hand him his passports. There is good ground for believing that Austria will back the ambassador up in his recent activities.

Note Dispatched to Penfield. Ambassador Penfield at Vienna was instructed by cable to deliver the following note to the Austrian foreign office:

"Mr. Constantin Dumba, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador at Washington, has admitted that he proposed to his government plans to instigate strikes in American manufacturing plants engaged in the production of munitions of war.

"The information reached this government through a copy of a letter of the ambassador to his government. The bearer was an American citizen named Archibald, who was traveling under an American passport. The ambassador has admitted that he employed Archibald to bear official dispatches from him to his government.

Diplomatic Propriety Violated. "By reason of the admitted purpose and intention of Mr. Dumba to conspire to cripple legitimate industries of the people of the United States and to interrupt their legitimate trade, and by reason of the flagrant violation of diplomatic propriety in employing an American citizen, protected by an American passport as a secret bearer of official dispatches through the lines of the enemy of Austria-Hungary, the president directs me to inform your excellency that Mr. Dumba is no longer acceptable to the government of the United States as the ambassador of its imperial majesty at Washington.

"Believing that the imperial and royal government will realize that the government of the United States has no alternative but to request the recall of Mr. Dumba, on account of his improper conduct, the government of the United States expresses its deep regret that this course has become necessary, and assures the imperial and royal government that it sincerely desires to continue the cordial and friendly relations which exist between the United States and Austria-Hungary."

## SULTAN APPEALS TO THE KAISER FOR HELP

PARIS, Sept. 10.—The Dardanelles cannot hold out much longer, according to press dispatches received here from Athens. The sultan has sent an urgent request to Kaiser Wilhelm for reinforcements.

## Work of Excavating for the New Library is Under Way

An actual start on construction work for the new county library building was made at 1 o'clock this afternoon when teams of the Warren Construction company began the task of removing dirt from the building site.

It was an occasion of moment and of joy to the ladies of the library board who have been working earnestly for the new building and they were gathered to celebrate in fitting style. With Mrs. Lina Sturgis, chairman of the board, in the lead, they followed the plow on the first furrow, shoveled dirt and had a good time over it. Mayor John Dyer and

## LONDON FEARS RIOTS AGAINST GERMANS AS RESULT OF AIR-RAID

PUBLIC SENTIMENT IS AROUSED TO FEVER HEAT AGAINST TEUTONS.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—Anti-German outbreaks were feared today as a result of Wednesday night's Zeppelin attack. All German shops are under close guard, lest mobs wreak vengeance on the establishments. The feeling is at fever heat. Nothing so far has aroused such horror and resentment. The public is angered more than terrorized. Nevertheless, insurance companies are being swamped with orders for protection policies.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—Thirty-seven persons were killed in Tuesday's and Wednesday's Zeppelin raids against London and the east coast, it was officially announced.

## Wheat Soars in Chicago Market; Four Cts Today

An advance of four cents occurred today in Chicago prices for September wheat and there has been a total advance of five and three eighths cents in the last two days. Reports from Portland show the market there still inactive. There is no buying in Pendleton unless by local mills. There is a report some wheat has been bought by mills at 74 cents.

Chicago, Sept. 10.—(Special)—At the close today, Sept. 9: 1-4; Dec 9: 1-4; May 9: 1-4.

Portland, Ore., Sept. 10.—(Special)—Club \$1; bluestem \$6.

Liverpool (Yesterday's Market) LIVERPOOL, Sept. 9.—Wheat—Sept. No. 1 Manitoba, 11s 9 1-2d; No. 2, 11s 8 1-2d; No. 3, 11s 6 1-2d; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 11s 3d. In American terms the Liverpool top price is \$1.71 per bushel.

## \$5000 DAMAGES ASKED FOR AN ALLEGED INJURY

Five thousand dollars are asked by Charles Weaver in a personal injury suit filed today in the circuit court against Charles Belts. Weaver claims that, while working for the defendant on March 3 of this year, he was struck forcibly in the face and head by a flat which came loose upon a standing drum. The blow fractured his skull and broke the bridge of his nose. Besides the pain and suffering the accident resulted in the stoppage of one nostril and the impairment of the focus of his eyes, he alleges.

## HOP RAISERS MAY APPEAL TO STATE FOR PROTECTION

INCENDIARY FIRES ARE BECOMING FREQUENT—MUCH PROPERTY BURNED.

INDEPENDENCE, Ore., Sept. 10.—Hop raisers are discussing an appeal to the governor for protection against incendiaries who are burning ranch property. Barns, hay and machinery of the Wighrich Richardson company south of here were burned last night also the hop house of George Reuf. Four large hop houses owned by E. M. Young were destroyed by fire today. Young had just finished harvesting his crop. Over 7000 boxes of hops were stored in the houses, all of which were burned.

## DUMBA INCIDENT PRESENTS GRAVE PROBLEM TO U.S.

Secretary Lansing Explains That Reasonable Time Will Be Allowed Austria to Meet Demands.

## GERMANY IS ALSO INVOLVED

Ambassador Here Mixed up in Munition Plant Plot—Germany's Note on the Arabic Also Presents New Problem as Tense is Very Disappointing to Washington.

Second Note Received. BERLIN, Sept. 10.—American Ambassador Gerard received Germany's second note on the submarine question last night. The contents were not made public. It was reported to be supplementing the Arabic note.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—In a conference with newspaper men today, Secretary Lansing explained the United States "would wait a reasonable time" for Austria to comply with the American demands for the recall of Ambassador Dumba. His intimation was plain that the government is prepared to hand Dumba his passports if Austria does not respond, but the administration appears confident such action will not be necessary.

Tension over the torpedoing of the Arabic and the Hesperian was revived today. The two incidents were linked to form a critical situation. The administration is known to be extremely disappointed over Germany's note in the Arabic case made public last night. Its disavowal of liability for reparation in the American lives lost on the Arabic and hence inferentially, also for the Lusitania victims, presented a fresh dispute which may embarrass a settlement of the submarine controversy. The American reply to the Arabic note is expected to sharply indicate displeasure at Germany's new stand.

Germany is also involved in the Dumba incident, through the relations of its ambassador with the American correspondent, Archibald, private message-bearer for Dumba, to carry out the reported German plan to carry out a munitions-crippling plan similar to Dumba's. At the same time, Austria is expected, as Germany's ally, to support anything the Kaiser does in the disagreement over the Arabic.

The German note, while expressing regret that lives were lost in the Arabic torpedoing, justified the commander's action on the ground he thought the Arabic intended to ram him. Despite "regret" the German note maintained it was unable to acknowledge any obligation to grant indemnity in the matter, even if the commander should have been mistaken as to the aggressive intentions of the Arabic.

## EMBASSIES OF THE ALLIES HERE TO GET GIGANTIC WAR LOAN

CONFERENCES WILL BE HELD WITH FINANCIERS IN NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Representatives of almost three quarters of the world's wealth are here today from England and France for a conference with financiers which is expected to restore the stability of foreign exchange and to arrange for credits for the allies purchases in this country. The commissioners arriving last night are said to be seeking a gigantic loan here. In the party, which was taken in charge by J. P. Morgan and Henry Davidson, are Lord Chief Justice Reading of England, Basil Blackett, and Sir Henry Smith of the British treasury department, Sir Edward H. Holden, managing director of the London City and Midland bank and Ernest Mallat and Octave Homberg, representing the French treasury.

William Morrison of Helix, came down on the forenoon train today from that place.

Balkan States Before and After The Treaty of Bucharest



The dotted section on this map represents the area added to old Serbia under the treaty signed at Bucharest on August 19, 1913, which ended the conflict among the Balkan powers that followed their war with Turkey. The shaded portions show the territory added to Montenegro, Greece, Bulgaria and Rumania, all being carved out of old Turkey, except the slice added to Rumania, which was ceded to her by Bulgaria.

## BERLIN DENIES THE CLAIM OF A RUSSIAN VICTORY IN GALICIA

FRESH SUCCESSES, HOWEVER, ARE BEING REPORTED BY PETROGRAD.

BERLIN, Sept. 10.—Scoffing at the Russian announcement of an "important victory" at Tarnopol, the war office issued a statement today declaring the czar was attempting to deceive his own people in order to suppress the growing tendency toward a revolution.

"The important victory" before Tarnopol belongs to the same class as the recent Russian naval victory in the Gulf of Riga, the statement said. It was declared the Slavs concentrated Tuesday about Tarnopol, planning to check the German advance. The first smash, it was admitted, bent the Teuton center, but the ground lost was recaptured on Wednesday.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—While Germany is denying the Russian claims of victory about Tarnopol, Russia today claimed fresh successes in that vicinity. An official statement said 7000 Teuton soldiers and 150 officers had been taken in the fighting southwest of Tremblow, forcing the enemy to beat a hasty retreat toward Stripa.

## Salmon Output Immense

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 10.—With one of the greatest outputs of canned salmon in the history of the Pacific northwest, packing interests today are being almost swamped with orders at extreme prices. In addition, Europe is negotiating for heavy supplies of fresh salmon. Opening prices announced for Alaska salmon were, red \$1.50 and medium red \$1.15.

## Cream Colored Pig is Gift of Baker to Boosters From Here; Named Happy Canyon

Pendleton's brigade of Round-up boosters—all young bloods—among them J. F. Robinson, T. J. Tweedy, R. Alexander and 42 others of various ages and complexions, returned home on the night train, tired but enthusiastic over the sojourn in the great city on earth in eastern Oregon outside of Pendleton.

With the returning brigade of wild west performers and Mexican bandit killers there came as a symbol of the deep affection held for this city by Baker a beautiful little cream colored pig. His name is "Happy Canyon" and his shadow will never grow less if he continues to eat as he did yesterday.

Members of the returning party bring thrilling tales of their doings in Baker and wonderful reports of the great metropolis over there and its clever, hospitable citizens. Incidentally they say they were led to believe that Baker will be a forsaken city during the Round-up as it is the intention for all of them to come here in a body.

Later news of the events yesterday make J. F. Robinson stand out even more strongly as the hero of the day. After he had been accidentally shot while using a long horned six shooter loaded with a soap cartridge, his true character and history came to the front. It was made known that for four years he had bravely fought with Madero in Mexico without receiving a scratch. His record as a rider also came into evidence when he gave the celebrated drunken ride in front of the Geiser Grand Hotel and ended the performance by bulldozing his horse from the saddle.

At the luncheon given in honor of the Pendleton brigade, T. G. Montgomery, formerly of Pendleton, served as toastmaster. He was attired in cowboy fashion and carried a toy pistol for intimidation purposes. Speeches were attempted by various parties but each time the talker was required to desist as the diners wished to enjoy themselves with deeds, not words.

## NEWS SUMMARY

- General. Relations with Austria are approaching a crisis.
- Berlin denies claim of Russian victory.
- London fears riots against Germans as result of Zeppelin raids.
- Local. John Richardson arrested for murder of J. T. Owings; makes confession.
- Pendleton Round-up boosters return from rousing trip to Baker.
- Ground broken for library building.

## HORSETRADER IS VICTIM; FIND IS MADE NEAR CITY

J. T. Owings of Twin Falls Had Been Missing Since August 23—Investigation Reveals Crime.

## ALLEGED SLAYER IN CUSTODY

Sheriff Taylor Arrests John Richardson on Suspicion That He is the Man Who Committed the Deed—Motive Believed to Have Been Robbery—Man Denies Guilt.

## Confesses Crime

At 2:30 this afternoon Richardson made a full and free verbal confession of his crime to Sheriff Taylor, District Attorney Stecker and Deputy Sheriff Estes. Confronted with all of the facts that the officers had learned, and subjected to a grilling questioning, he finally broke down and told the full story.

He told them that he shot Owings twice in the left side of the neck as they were riding together in Owings' wagon just the other side of the Earl Tulloch ranch. Death resulted instantly, he said, and he topped him over the seat into the back of the wagon, drove to the old well and dumped the body in. He then drove to the Elder ranch and, securing a shovel next morning, went back and threw dirt over the body.

The provocation of his act, he said, was disparaging remarks made by Owings about Mrs. Jackson, mother of Owings' wife and his own former wife.

With the discovery of a badly decomposed body, identified as J. T. Owings of Twin Falls, Idaho, in an abandoned well 20 miles northwest of Pendleton last night, Sheriff T. D. Taylor believes he has uncovered one of the most cold-blooded murders committed in Umatilla county in years and has the murderer in custody.

Sheriff Taylor, Deputy J. H. Edes and Coroner Brown dug out the body last night after an investigation had convinced them that Richardson had killed Owings and had concealed the body. So firm was their conviction that Richardson was arrested during the afternoon before the body had been definitely located.

The motive of the alleged murder is supposed to have been robbery, as Richardson brought back to Pendleton and sold four horses, a wagon and other possessions of the dead man. Owings, however, was married to the divorced wife of Richardson, it is said, and this may have been one of the reasons behind the foul crime.

Owings was missed. J. M. Stephenson, proprietor of the Alta House, and Fred Sims, proprietor of the Alta Feed Yard, are responsible for the investigation which led to the discovery of the crime. Both Owings and Richardson had been staying at the Alta House and became acquainted there. Owings, who was a horse trader and teamster, arrived from Twin Falls, Idaho, last spring and had been working for various farmers during the summer. At one time he worked for Pedro Brothers and traded a span of mules for a team of horses with them.

Richardson and Owings left the Alta House on Monday, August 23 with the latter's outfit. Owings told friends that Richardson claimed to have a wheat hauling job about 14 miles northwest of town and said he guessed he would go out and see what it amounted to.

On the following Wednesday so far as the officers can learn, Richardson returned to Pendleton with Owings' outfit. On Thursday morning Mr. Sims, manager of the Oregon Feed Yard, recognized a team of horses which had belonged to Owings and noticed Richardson talking sale to another man. The circumstances struck him as strange and he reported it to Mr. Stephenson. They made a quiet investigation and found that he had sold one of Owings' teams to a government buyer named Petticoat and that a few days later sold the other team to the same man after the horses had been attached by one of his creditors. The price for which he sold the animals, much less than their actual value, added further to the two men's suspicions.

On the same Thursday, Richardson had returned to a son of Mr. Stephenson a revolver which he had

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## DR. HOUSE MAY REMAIN IN CITY FOR ANOTHER WEEK

NOTED LECTURER ON PSYCHOLOGY THROWS NEW LIGHT ON GOSPELS.

So great has been the interest in Dr. House's lectures that the people are trying to persuade him to stay over another week. And he will make his decision tonight. Last night the "best" thus far, was the comment. The subject: "The Power of Concentration" was handled in a most masterly manner. He said: "To concentrate is natural. How then do we lose it later on in life. Because of bad mental habits. How can we bring it back again? By specializing mental thinking. Taking up the general idea of concentration, he said it was a diamond with many facets. These he named as specialization, renunciation, discrimination, intensification, determination, demonstration and obligation. Under each of these heads he brought forth material that gripped the large audience in the hands of his master.

He said every man has in him the elements of success. All ought to be great. But the big difference in men was concentration. We must learn to think well and take time to relax, go into the silence, that we may come out strong and fresh for the work to be done. The American people are living too fast. They must take better care of the body, mind and spirit. And the great thought of all should be in the renunciation to "make a life rather than a living."

This afternoon the subject was "Psychic Phenomena, in which dreams, hypnotism and spiritualism were discussed. Tonight comes one of the best of the doctor's lectures on "Spiritual vs. Mental Healing."

Milton Bloch of La Grande, is visiting at the home of his uncle, H. Alexander.