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NEW CABINET PLACES SOON TO BE FORMED

Secretaries of Food Administration, Munition and Supplies and Transportation will be Created Official Belief.

SENATE'S ACTION MAKES FORMATION IMPERATIVE

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The president's cabinet will soon be increased by three new portfolios, the secretary of food administration, the secretary of munitions and supplies, and the secretary of transportation, according to official belief.

The senate's action limiting the powers of the council of national defense made the creation of the new cabinet posts imperative, officials declare. The senate doesn't like the council of national defense as the members of the advisory committee were appointed without traditional advice or consent of the senate.

Heavy Burden on Cabinet. This places the burden of constructive work on the cabinet, the advisory committee of council of national defense being limited to the work of coordinating and a strictly advisory committee. Secretary Baker was left with the work of raising an army and securing supplies and munitions.

NICARAGUA BREAKS WITH GERMANY IT IS ANNOUNCED

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Nicaragua has broken relations with Germany, the state department announced.

SENATOR LANE IMPROVING

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—United States Senator Lane of Oregon, is improving, but is still in danger, the doctor said.

GERMAN AGENTS SUSPECTED OF TAMPERING WITH SHELLS ON BOARD LINER ST. LOUIS

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Inquiries concerning the condition of ammunition aboard the Mongolia developed the fact the navy is investigating the readiness of shells aboard the St. Louis, under suspicion that German agents are tampering with them. Shells on the deck of the St. Louis were found inoperative, apparently fuses had been tampered with. Shells in the hold were found satisfactory. It is believed spies tampered with the shells on the deck, as these are the first used in attacking a submarine. The navy is unable to ascertain what caused the inoperativeness. The navy department is without official advice regarding the Mongolia shell. Gunners experts believe the breach block was completely closed, permitting the cartridge case to expand and fly backward.

THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY NEW LAWS IN EFFECT TODAY

(By United Press.) SALEM, Ore., May 21.—Three hundred and fifty brand new laws go into effect in Oregon today, thanks to the 1917 session of the state legislature. Measures which did not carry emergency clauses or were not referred to the people went into effect at the stroke of 12 o'clock this morning, or just 80 days after the adjournment of the legislative session. These new laws cover a wide range from trivial subjects to matters of considerable importance. The new insurance code, which embodies an entirely new draft of laws for the regulation of insurance companies doing business in Oregon, went into effect. Another measure of similar nature is the law creating the office of state fire marshal and prescribing his powers and duties.

MEXICANS IN CLASH WITH U. S. TROOPS

WASHINGTON, May 21.—A clash between United States troops and Mexicans is officially reported to the state department. The message said a group of filibusters crossed to the American side near Nogales and American troops and customs officers captured them. George Holmes, believed to be an American, and Manuel Gonzalez, Hipolito Villa's former secretary, are among the prisoners. Another message described the firing from a house on the Mexican side of the line on an American soldier. The soldier returned the fire and the troubles ceased.

FORGE WORK OF LOCAL PUPILS WINS PRAISE

Exhibit Made by 7th Grade Boys and Sent O. A. C. Declared Excellent.

O. A. C. CORVALLIS, May 21.—(Special to the East Oregonian.) The policy of "A forge for every farm" received a boost yesterday when the department of Industrial Education of the Oregon Agricultural College, unwrapped the shop work exhibit forwarded by R. E. Chloupek, supervisor of manual training in the Pendleton schools. That is what Prof. Frank E. Shepherd said as he inspected the work of the seventh grade boys who did it and declared it excellent. The work consisted of a squarehead bolt, hexagonal head bolt, square, hook, forged ring of round iron and forged ring or washer of flat iron.

BRAZIL WON'T PARTICIPATE

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 21.—Brazil has informed all her South American neighbors that it is unable to participate in the Buenos Aires Latin American neutrality conference, according to reliable information here. It is stated that President Braz informed the other republics that Brazil is unofficially unaligned with the United States. Therefore she didn't consider herself entirely neutral. Brazil is now sending a military expedition to Europe.

SKILLED LABOR IS BIGGEST PROBLEM IN SHIP BUILDING

Daniels Confers With 12 Leading Ship Builders of Country in Effort to Speed Up Construction.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Contracts for thirty-eight merchantmen have been executed to date by the emergency fleet corporation, the United States shipping board, officially announced.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Endeavoring to speed up the construction of the twenty-four combination mine sweepers and seagoing tugs, Secretary Daniels conferred with a delegation of twelve ship builders representing the principal shipbuilders of the country. Daniels explained the necessity for quick work and asked the shipbuilders for aid.

He assured the shipbuilders the government would cooperate in securing labor and materials. The government has arranged to furnish certain plates and other steel needed. The minesweepers of 1000 tons are sturdy, powerful boats. It is reported some new fleet might be used to cooperate with the British mine sweepers.

Daniels said the biggest problem was securing skilled labor sufficient to meet demands of the navy program. T. H. REPURPOSE TO COMMENT. NEW YORK, May 21.—On the assertion that his division was prepared to sail Monday, Roosevelt declined to direct comment upon the president's refusal to designate him as leader of the volunteer army.

NEW FURNITURE STORE FOR CITY

Well Known La Grande Men, Messrs. Hodges and Crawford Lease Room in the Judd Block.

Pendleton is to have a new furniture store, up-to-date, modern and attractive. Two well known La Grande men, Messrs Hodges and Crawford, have leased the large room in the Judd block, formerly occupied by the Wesel clothing store, and James S. Johns, new owner of the building, started the work of remodeling the room today for the new tenants.

The La Grande men have been considering the Pendleton field for some time. Mr. Crawford is a retired farmer and Mr. Hodges is a furniture man of long experience. For some time just he has been the manager of the leading furniture store in La Grande. He will make a special effort to attract the business which has been going out of the city.

The remodeling of the room in the Judd building will be extensive. The workmen today are changing the display windows while Architect Ray'smond Hatch designs the interior changes.

ALLIES WIN DRILLIANT SUCCESS IN NEW DRIVE

BURSTING SHELL AT TARGET WORK KILLS 2 WOMEN

American Nurses on Board Mongolia Enroute to France are Slain; Accident is Inexplicable; One Nurse Hurt

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Mrs. Edith Ayers and Helen Burnett Woods, were killed when a bursting shell struck them while aboard the steamer Mongolia while watching a gun crew practice, according to official advices. The women have been in the Red Cross service since 1914 and had just joined active army Red Cross work. They were enroute to Europe when the accident occurred.

Major Fred Besley, commanding the medical unit, was standing within three feet of the nurses who died. Relating his personal story of the accident, he said:

"In target practice Sunday when 24 hours out, the two forward guns were fired first. The nurses were sitting in deck chairs watching the target, a long distance away. I saw the shells strike the water a great distance from the ship. Immediately afterward, Miss Matson, who was injured, touched me on the shoulder and I said, 'These girls are hurt.' I looked around and saw one of the dead girls sliding from her chair to the deck. I don't know how the accident occurred. I sat up until one o'clock in the morning hearing evidence, but couldn't get anything definite. I found bits of detonating caps scattered around the deck. There was a line of lifeboats hanging between us and the gun. I had to stop to look under the lifeboats to see the firing. The gun was unshattered. Its breech remained intact, none of the crew knew what had happened until we conveyed word to the officer commanding."

FIRST WOMAN VICTIMS

These two women are America's first women victims of the war. Another nurse was wounded.

All members of the medical unit were organized in Chicago. The two women killed were both from Chicago. In some inexplicable manner the shell exploded and portions of the casing were flung into the crowd of nurses and doctors watching the American gun crew. A lifeboat was between the women and the gun.

A United States revenue cutter met (Continued on Page 4.)

MORE OF HINDENBURG'S DEFENSES FALL, GERMANS FORM FOR SMASH ON PETROGRAD

SILVER GRAYS ARE TO DANCE

ALL LOCAL DRILL ORGANIZATIONS JOIN TO HELP OUT SECOND UNIT DANCE.

The Silver Grays will grace the jenny dance to be given tomorrow evening at Happy Canyon by the second military unit, with their presence. Tuesday evening is their regular drill night and, following the drill, they will march in a body to the pavilion, according to an announcement made by Captain Cranston this morning.

The cavalry troop, now being organized, has been asked to attend also, the Honor Guards have given assurance of being present and the other organizations of like nature are co-operating to make the dance a success.

The community in charge has adopted the slogan, "A big dance for a nickel." An admission of ten cents will be charged at the door but with every admission will go two dance tickets. Members of the second unit are selling tickets on the street today.

PENDLETON TO HAVE NEW TEAM

BILL MCGARRIGLE ORGANIZING BALL PLAYERS; FIRST GAME WITH INDIANS.

Another baseball team is being organized in Pendleton and it gives promise of being an aggregation that will put up a stellar article of the national game.

Bill McGarrigle, manager of the Blue Mountain team in past years, is taking the initiative and already has lined up such well known players as Fritz Lundstrom, former shortstopper on the Walla Walla Tri-state team, Gunner Peterson, Pendleton Tri-state, L. K. Harlan, Pilot Rock twirler, Walter Albrecht, Pilot Rock catcher who is now living here, Bill Carey, who tried out with Portland, and George McLaren, who formerly played in Seattle, and a number of other pastime players of note.

The first game will be staged next Sunday afternoon between this team and the Indian team of the Umatilla reservation which yesterday took the measure of the Colored Tigers, 9 to 8. Another game, probably with the crack Woodman team, will be staged on Decoration Day.

The big crowd which attended the game yesterday afternoon is convincing proof that Pendleton fans are hungry for baseball and the team now being organized will try to schedule some red hot games.

Exhausted, Shattered Divisions From West Front are Hurried to Eastern Battle Line; Teutons Will Strive to Take Russ Capital in Order to Scare Russia Into Separate Peace.

LONDON, May 21.—An outpost engagement between German and French torpedo boats is officially reported in both Berlin and Paris statements. One French torpedo boat was slightly damaged, according to the Paris statement.

Berlin describes the fight as a "short outpost engagement off Flinders," declaring "the French ships were repeatedly hit, but ours were undamaged."

LONDON, May 21.—British and French forces have started another joint offensive. Haig has captured additional sections of the Hindenburg line, and Nivelle took "several lines" of German trenches, achieving a brilliant success on the north slopes of Mont Cornillet. This resumption of allied activity follows a week's lull.

Drive on Petrograd Coming. Hindenburg is hurrying his shattered, exhausted divisions on the west front to the northern and eastern battle fronts, where they are being reformed preparatory to a drive on Petrograd. Fresh divisions from the Russian fronts have been sent to France. German prisoners released the purpose of the plan. "We expect Hindenburg to try to take Petrograd," said one. "The purpose is, first to scare Russia into a separate peace, and second, to use his gains there as a lever against the allies."

East Front Lines Thin. "Just now," the prisoner continued, "the east front lines are thin, exhausted divisions. Those whose losses brought them far below their regular strength were transferred from France to Russia. Fresh divisions from Russia were switched here. Some from Russia were hurried against the British and French without waiting for replacements on the Russian front."

The British steadily maintained the initiative despite every effort of the enemy.

SINGING ITALIANS WIN

ROME, May 21.—Climbing seemingly inaccessible heights, the singing Italians are pushing forward north of Gorizia and the fighting has reached a climax. Numerous fresh Austrian divisions direct from the Russian front are engaged.

The men fight from behind rocks and barriers of stones hastily thrown together, from caves and dugouts in granite ridges, the ground so rugged and broken, the Italians separate into knots and small groups to match their individual resources and strength against the enemy.

Along the Mont Cuccubo sector, General Cadorna's "singing soldiers" captured a whole room "the underground barracks." The Austrians evidently were furnished for a Teutonic officer. They were luxuriously furnished and stocked with huge supplies of wines and other comforts.

GERMANY ADMITS LOSS

BERLIN, May 21.—The French have succeeded in gaining a hold on Mount Cornillet and the British have occupied "a completely demolished trench, abandoned in accord with our plans" it is officially stated.

CAVALRY TROOP RECRUITING IS PROCEEDING BUSILY NOW

After a weekend of uncertainty, Pendleton's cavalry troop today looks like an assured thing and recruiting is proceeding busily at the recruiting office in the city hall.

Actual enlistment did not begin until this morning when doubt as to the required number of men signing up had practically vanished. This morning a total of 42 had signed the agreement to enlist and Captain Gjedsted felt certain that there would be eight more put in appearance within the next day.

Must Be Reached Tomorrow. It is almost imperative that the peace strength of 70 be reached by tomorrow. Adjutant General White telegraphed Captain Gjedsted yesterday morning that the full number must be secured by evening and that all must come from Pendleton. This order prevented the new boys from going out over the country for their friends and the prospects looked dubious until last evening when one cowboy, unknown, went out and signed up 13 by himself. Meanwhile an extension of time was granted and it seems certain now that the troop will reach the necessary strength by tomorrow.

IRISH CONVENTION IS PLAN OUTLINED BY BRITISH LEADER

LONDON, May 21.—Lloyd George has revealed his scheme for the settlement of the Irish question to the house of commons. He proposed a conference to decide the exact form of home rule which will be composed of all parties and all factions. He said, even the Sinn Fein adherents should be represented. The king will nominate a chairman of the committee.

The premier explained that the suggested Irish convention would be expected to submit to parliament a complete draft of the Irish constitution.

John Redmond, nationalist leader, declared that was the first time in Ireland's history she had been asked to settle a problem of government for herself. He was certain all sections on the island and all factions would participate in the conference.

JULY DOWN SEVEN CENTS AT CLOSING

CHICAGO, May 21.—(Special to the East Oregonian.)—Range of wheat prices today:

	Open	High	Low	Close
July	\$2.55	\$2.79	\$2.59	\$2.52
Sept.	\$2.14	\$2.17	\$2.09	\$2.10

Portland.
PORTLAND, Ore., May 21.—(Special.)—Club \$2.63; Blumston \$2.47.

A piece of colored glass looks beautiful in a church window but it doesn't show up well in a factory window.

HERE'S PROOF FRANCE NEEDS SOLDIERS AT ONCE



Here is shown part of the class of into action. These boys ought not to be in the fighting line (1918), but the French are in sore need of soldiers and they must call out the boys. It is better proof than anything of the immediate need of the French.