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U. S. PLANS TWO DRAFTS WITHIN NEXT TEN MONTHS TO RAISE ARMY OF TWO MILLION

Men Must be in Actual Service and Training by June; 1,500,000 to be Under Arms October 10; If Sufficient Equipment Can be Obtained Next Draft Will be Made Immediately.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The war department program provides that two million men be in actual service and training by next June. Another draft of 500,000 this winter is planned. The department expects to have 1,500,000 under arms by October 10. If sufficient equipment and accommodations are obtained another draft will be recommended immediately. All department estimates are asked by Haker and granted by the house appropriations committee in a resolution the president will issue the call.

250 MILLION BU. CROP IS SPRING WHEAT ESTIMATE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The condition of spring wheat crop on September first was seventy-one and two tenths as compared with forty-eight and six tenths the year previous. Seventy-four is a ten year average, with eight and seven tenths on August first, the agriculture department announced. The total production of spring wheat is estimated at two hundred and fifty million bushels against two hundred and thirty-six million estimated in August. Winter wheat production is estimated at four hundred and seventeen million bushels.

SENATE DEFEATS BOTH WAR TAX AMENDMENTS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The senate defeated the La Follette amendment increasing the income tax and raising six hundred and forty-three million more than the committee's plans. The Holtz amendment, adding eighty million dollars to the income tax levy, was later defeated.

AGREE TO EMPLOY U. S. BUYING ABROAD

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Representatives of Belgium, Italy and Serbia today signed agreements with the United States for the creation of an allied purchasing board, which will buy all supplies in this country for the entente nations. The board is composed of Bernard M. Baruch, Judge R. S. Lovett and R. S. Brookings. Great Britain, France and Russia have already signed. It is estimated that the foreign governments are now expending about \$500,000,000 a month in this country for supplies and war materials. This will be handled through the purchasing board.

BITTER BATTLE RAGES AT MONTE ST. GABRIEL GERMAN FLEET IS GATHERING NEAR PETROGRAD

ROME, Sept. 7.—The arrival of fresh reinforcements, some of which are believed to be German divisions, has increased the ferocity of the Italian front fighting, especially around Monte St. Gabriel. The dominating position has changed hands many times, neither side being able to maintain its positions. The battle now raging is declared to be the bitterest battle ever fought on the Italian front. The Italian navy today announced the capture of Monte St. Gabriel. Twenty-four hours later the Austrians captured it. Since then the summit has changed hands again and again. Intense artillery fire has worn down practically all the trenches carefully placed in the rocks on either side.

SPY FOUND IN TACOMA

TACOMA, Sept. 7.—Evidence was found in the trunk of Max Leopold, German suspect arrested Wednesday, which convinced federal and police authorities that the prisoner is a spy operating under direct orders from Berlin. The nature of the evidence is not revealed. A great package of letters was found addressed to Leopold in a dozen aliases in 50 different American cities. More than half the letters contained official documents bearing German seals.

GRAINMEN WILL SEND COMMITTEE TO WASHINGTON

PORTLAND, Sept. 7.—Grain growers of Washington, Idaho and Oregon will lose twenty million dollars this year unless the government adopts Pacific northwest basic prices, according to the opinions of 150 prominent growers, millers and dealers conferring here regarding the government wheat regulation and prices. Grainmen will send a committee to Washington to lay before the food administration department the necessity for a Pacific northwest basic price. The grainmen vigorously expressed opposition to a Chicago basic price of \$2.20, declaring the price of northwest wheat shipped to California, Alaska and Orient and consumed at home would be greatly reduced as well as wheat shipped east. The conference is continuing this afternoon.

MAYOR THOMPSON FILES FIVE SUITS FOR LIBEL

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Mayor Thompson this afternoon filed the following libel suits: Chicago Tribune, \$500,000. Daily News, Victor Lawson, publisher, \$250,000. Jacob Dickinson, former secretary of war, \$200,000. E. H. Merrick, president of the local chapter of the National Security League, \$200. Arnold J. Kern, secretary of the same league, \$200,000.

WOMAN KILLS WORKER THEN DRINKS POISON

OAKLAND, Sept. 7.—After shooting and killing Albert Williams, Mrs. Catherine Vickies held Williams fellow worker at bay with a revolver while she drank poison.

U. S. HOSPITAL IN FRANCE IS BOMBED; 6 DIE

(W. P. SIMMS.) WITH BRITISH AFFIELD. Sept. 7.—An American officer was killed and five members of his staff wounded in a deliberate German bombardment on American hospital on the French coast. Ten patients were also injured. The dead officer was a medical corps man attached to the Harvard unit. The staff members were severely wounded. One member of the St. Louis unit was wounded. The attack was plainly deliberate. Of the 16 wounded in the Harvard unit hospital, five were members of the American staff and ten patients. The hospital of the Harvard unit was most damaged. Only one bomb hit the St. Louis unit hospital. British military hospitals were also bombarded.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—Germany apparently is conducting an aerial campaign against allied hospitals. The utmost indignation was aroused throughout England by reports of a number of cases where hospitals, plainly marked, had been attacked. England's reprisals will be aerial attacks against German military works.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Red Cross headquarters here had not received word of the German attack on American hospitals in France except the United Press dispatches. The St. Louis unit is stationed at Rouen, France, the location of the Harvard unit is unknown here.

GOMPERS HEADS NEW LABOR ORGANIZATION

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 7.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor has been elected president of the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy. Resolutions were adopted pledging support to the labor cause and democracy, denouncing pacifists and demanding all workers to support the president. A committee will convey greetings to the Russian democracy, declaring the organization's purposes are identical with the new republics.

SOCIALIST PROBE CONTINUES

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—The government's grand jury investigation of the socialist and industrial workers activities continued. Evidence seized in a series of raids last night was added to the evidence secured Wednesday. Federal agents raised two German language socialist newspapers and a radical bookstore where radical publications of all kinds are sold. The literature was confiscated in the newspaper plants and bookstores and the authorities removed important parts of the presses and other machinery making further publication impossible.

COLUMBIA HIGHWAY WILL BE OPEN FOR ROUND-UP TRAFFIC

The Columbia River Highway will not be closed to Round-Up travelers despite the announcement from Hood River that the highway between that city and Cascade Locks would be closed for several weeks to permit construction work. Commissioner W. L. Thompson on his return from Portland this morning announced that an arrangement had been made with the Hood River county court whereby a temporary road would be built around obstructions so that people driving to the Round-Up would not have to cross the river. So many objections were made to the commission by autoists contemplating the trip to Pendleton that the adjustment was made.

Hoover Route Selected

The route of the Columbia river highway in Hood River and Sherman counties was definitely located by the commission at the recent meeting. The route chosen in Hood River county is what is known as the river location instead of the Maxwell hill road. The latter, while affording a view of Hood River valley, is five miles longer than the river route. The estimated cost of construction of the two routes is about equal, approximately \$260,000. The shorter route was chosen on account of the saving in paving cost.

Paving in Wasco Proposed

This route is approximately nine miles longer than the one proposed along the river, but it will be cheaper to construct and maintain. Another advantage urged in its favor is that it traverses the populated section of the county and passed through wheat fields.

In Wasco county the commission decided not to accept the seven-mile hill road between Mosier and The Dalles as a section of the state highway, in view of the fact that it may be determined in the near future to construct a highway along the river between the two points. The commission has agreed, however, to pave the road between Creswell creek and The Dalles, a distance of two miles, and also a four mile stretch on the east between The Dalles and Petersburg on condition that the counties of Wasco and Sherman take steps to eliminate the present toll bridge across the Deschutes river and erect a free structure.

AMERICA WHO HAS NEVER TASTED DEFEAT, WILL TRIUMPH AGAIN IN THIS WAR DECLARES LLOYD GEORGE

DISTRICT EXEMPTION BOARD WILL SEND REPRESENTATIVES HERE TO MAKE INVESTIGATION

That the district exemption board at La Grande may be more fully acquainted with conditions in Umatilla county, representatives of that board will come to Pendleton to make a first hand investigation. Adjutant General White has recommended this course as a result of the objections made to him by local citizens because of what seemed to be an unjust course in considering exemption claims. W. L. Thompson, who was a member of the delegation which recently conferred with the local board and who has been since corresponding with the adjutant general, this morning received the following telegram from him: "After considering the data presented by you, I have thought it advisable to suggest that a committee of the district board at La Grande visit Pendleton to inquire into agricultural and other conditions. The district board will inquire into conditions affecting its own work and will not in any way interfere with the work of the local board."

BASIC GRAIN PRICE NOW UP TO WILSON

In a last effort to secure a terminal rate for Portland the same as that fixed for Chicago, a conference is being arranged by Senator Charles McNary between President Wilson and western members of congress, according to a telegram received this morning by President Tallman of the Commercial association from the junior senator from Oregon replying to a telegram sent yesterday to him and a number of other representatives and senators. Senator McNary wires that he has already had two conferences with Hoover to protest against the unfairness of making the western farmer sell his wheat on a Chicago basic price. He believes Portland should be made a primary market and had asked the representatives of four western states to aid him in getting such recognition. Today a meeting of farmers of the northwest is being held in Portland to discuss the situation with M. E. Houser, W. W. Harrah and T. A. Hampton went down from here.

British Premier Admits Russian Situation is Disquieting But Expresses Complete Confidence in Slav Leaders.

FAILS TO DISCUSS ALLIES WAR AIMS AT BIRKENHEAD

BIRKENHEAD, England, Sept. 7.—Lloyd-George declared that America has never known defeat and on this occasion she will triumph. A great crowd thunderously applauded the assertion. The premier admitted that the Russian situation was disquieting, but declared he had complete confidence that Russian leaders would repair the damage. He said the Russian resolution had only postponed the allied victory. He reiterated his defiance of the submarine campaign, declaring he was absolutely confident the submarines would never lessen the allied strength.

Attempts to Sow Disension

"German attempts to sow disension among the allies on the east and west fronts have failed," he declared. "Germany only decided to invade Russia with the sword because other methods failed. We are less concerned for the effect of the Russian failure on the war than with its effect on the world's democracy. Russian leaders are repairing their machine under fire. I am confident they will succeed. Don't Discuss War Aims. "Germany boasts that her victories in the east were against no resistance, but the allies success on the west front, especially the Italian front, is an effectual reply. Contrary to general expectations, Lloyd George didn't discuss the allies' war aims.

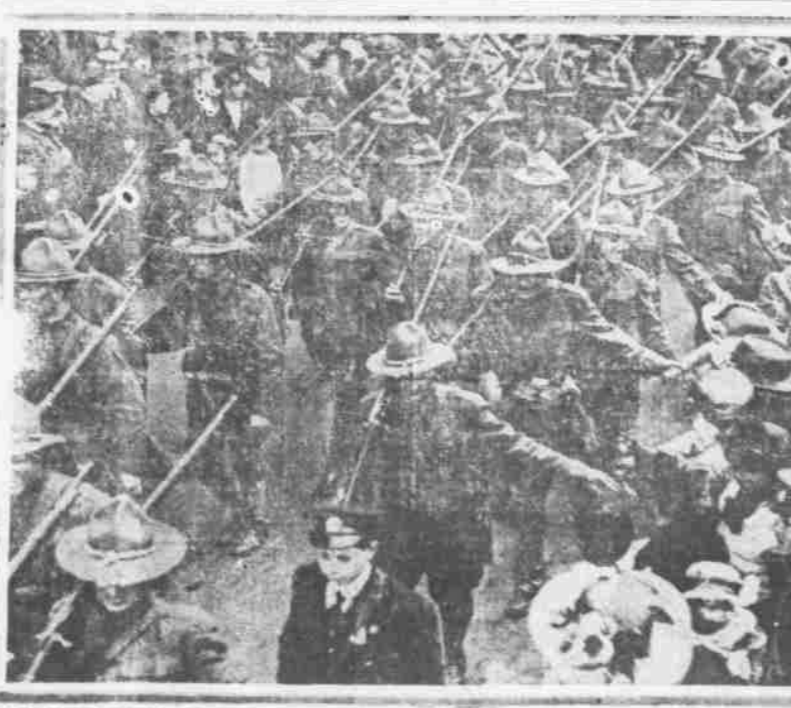
CITIZENS URGED TO LIST THEIR ROOMS FOR THE ROUND-UP

There will be a loud and insistent call for accommodations for the Round-Up this year, September 20, 21 and 22. This has been the greatest ticket sale the Round-Up has ever had, and also the advance requests for accommodations is greater than any other year. The people of Pendleton are asked by the board of directors to make every possible effort to give those visitors coming in for those three days the very nicest accommodations possible. Dean Tatum who has charge of the department will open up his headquarters the middle of the week. His phone number will be published and people with rooms are asked to list them with him. The indications now are that this will be the largest crowd ever seen at the Round-Up and also the best exhibition ever put on. And the visitors have come to rely so confidently upon the ability of the Round-Up to take care of them after they get here that it would be the worst thing that could happen to Pendleton to fall down on this part of the work this year. So everybody is urged to be Round-Up to give in the list of their rooms.

MEN AT CAMP LEWIS GET FIRST TASTE OF DRILL THIS MORNING

CAMP LEWIS, Sept. 7.—The receipt of light field artillery has enabled the war department to convert most coast artillery into field artillery. Fifteen hundred members of the national army reporting here will be trained at Puget sound forts, discharging an equal number of members of the coast artillery companies who will be shifted here for intensive training as field artillery. Members of the national army had their first drill this morning. Non-commissioned officers were tentative in selecting from the men, themselves to assist the sergeants from Vancouver barracks. Organization is progressing rapidly. The new men are being assigned to the 16th regiment under Colonel W. D. Davis.

GLAD HAND FOR U. S. TROOPS IN LONDON



American soldiers marching through the streets of London after their triumph over the Germans. They were cheered the entire route.

ITS TROOPS IN LONDON

Tremendous crowds gathered along the line of march when the British joined yesterday forced the British to withdraw to previous lines. Hag reported Petrograd Prepares for Attack. PETROGRAD, Sept. 7.—Petrograd is preparing for a German attack. Troops are rushing through the city to meet the advancing Germans. Red placards scattered everywhere demand that all Russians do their duty. The population is not worried, evident from front dispatches say the Germans are continuing to advance. Public attention centered on the wholesale arrests of the counter-revolutionary plotters rather than the German advance. It is reported the wife of Grand Duke Jean Constantine, son of the former czar's uncle, Grand Duke Constantine, who was implicated in the plot, was arrested.