

THE WEATHER  
Rain tonight and Saturday;  
winds shifting from south to  
west.

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## PRESIDENT WILL PROTEST DETENTION OF AMERICANS

INTERNATIONAL LAW  
VIOLATED, CLAIM.

### NEGOTIATIONS QUIET

No Americans as Yet Advised to  
Leave Austria—Relations Be-  
tween U. S. and Turkey Not  
Considered Serious.

By Robert J. Bender,  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—The administration may send a protest to Germany in regard to the Yarrowdale affair, it was learned today, in spite of the press dispatches saying that Germany has released the 72 American prisoners. The government has not received official confirmation of this report. The note of protest will contain details of the treatment of the crews of German ships interned in United States ports. Wilson wants the note sent so that it will constitute a protest irrespective of whether or not the Yarrowdale prisoners have been released. Both Wilson and Lansing feel that Germany has clearly violated the international law, and want to put the United States clearly on record as being opposed to Germany's actions. **Would Still Be Friends.**

Negotiations with Austria are continuing. The State Department maintains the deepest silence concerning developments. An attempt is still being made to preserve friendly relations with Austria, in spite of the fact that the Austrian policy of ruthless submarine advanced by the Central European power is identical with that of Germany, constituting the chief cause of the diplomatic break between America and the Kaiser. No Americans have been advised to leave Austria.

**Reports on Turkey.**  
Ambassador Elkus officially reported today on the Constantinople situation. Details were withheld. It is understood that the relations between the United States and Turkey are not as serious as has been supposed.

Swiss Minister Ritter conferred today with State Department Counselor Polk. It is believed that they probably discussed the reported release of the Yarrowdale prisoners.

### NEGOTIATIONS ARE DECLARED BROKEN

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)  
COPENHAGEN, Feb. 16.—The Berliner Tageblatt declared today that submarine negotiations between Austria and America have been broken off.

### BRITAIN ESTABLISHES A NEW DANGER ZONE

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—The American embassy in London notified the State Department today that Great Britain has established a revised North Sea danger zone, as the result of submarine sightings.

## BLOW IS STRUCK THE INITIATIVE

HOUSE ADOPTS RESOLUTION FA-  
VORING RESTRICTION IN PLAC-  
ING POPULAR MEASURES ON  
BALLOT.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)  
SALEM, Feb. 16.—The House today adopted a joint resolution providing eight per cent of the legal voters of the state, representing a majority of the counties be necessary to put an initiative measure on the ballot. Enemies of the resolution claimed that it will practically destroy the effectiveness of the initiative law. The vote was 30 to 26. Eaton led the fight against the resolution. He claimed that it gives an undue advantage to the wealthy and is unjust to the poor. He declared that it would prevent the placing of many measures on the ballot.

### TWELFTH CAVALRY CONCENTRATES ON MEXICAN BORDER

Mutilated Bodies of Murdered Cow-  
boys Brought In—Women and  
Children Free for Lives.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)

EL PASO, Feb. 16.—The Twelfth cavalry is being concentrated along the New Mexican border following confirmation of the report that Miranda's bandits murdered three American cowboys Monday. A posse brought the mutilated corpses to Hachita.

The bandits are holding the wife of Edward Spencer, a negro ranch foreman, demanding \$5000 ransom. Spencer declares that Salazar is planning the border raids.

American women and children are fleeing from the Mexican line.

## CHILDREN HAVE POTATO CLUB

THOMPSON ORGANIZES FOUR  
SCHOOLS, AND WILL WATCH  
SELECTION OF SEED AND  
CULTIVATION.

In an endeavor to make potato culture one of the live features of farming in Deschutes county, J. Alton Thompson, county school superintendent, yesterday afternoon organized four potato clubs in schools in the vicinity of Bend, and will visit two more schools in the country, at Terrebonne and Redmond, to bring the total of similar organizations up to six.

County Agriculturist Blanchard will co-operate with Mr. Thompson in the work, and together they will supervise the selection of proper seed and later the cultivation of the pupils' truck patches. As a beginning Mr. Thompson drew pictures yesterday at the various schools, showing the ideal shape of potato for seed, furnishing a model for the club members to go by.

Two prizes for the best potatoes raised in the county by members of school clubs, are offered by the state, the first a three day trip to Salem to attend the State fair, the second a week at the O. A. C. summer short course. In addition, Mr. Thompson plans to introduce similar competition, if a county fair is held this year, with a change from the ordinary system, however, as the best hill of potatoes, instead of the best bushel of tubers will receive the award.

**Enthusiasm Shown.**  
Mr. Thompson reported considerable enthusiasm among the boys and girls joining the clubs.

In the Arnold district, the Pilot Butte Potato club organized yesterday, with Roy Wornstaff president, and Jesse Stooky, secretary. Other members of the club are George Cook, Johnny Wornstaff, Margaret Wornstaff, Ray Neff, Milton Hakala, Floyd Stooky, Roy Neff, Ruth Neff, Lois Stooky and Thelma Cook.

Officers of the Juniper Cove Potato club, at the Young school, are Clyde Smith, president, and Mildred Wittman, secretary. Doris Wittman, Katherine Helgeson, Reuben Nelson, Anna Smith, and Mable Dahle comprise the balance of the membership of the organization.

The Tumalo Potato club, at the school of the same name, is headed by Holbert Wallace, with Wayne Wright as secretary. Clarence Park, Kenneth Dayton, Chester Lundberg and Thomas Collier are other members.

At the Deschutes school a similar organization, taking its name from that institution was formed, with Katherine Redfield president, Edith Gray, secretary. Medora Howard, Laura Pritchard, Miggle Pritchard, Orval Lockwood, Hans Hansen, Lyle Thurston and Alfred Mickelson comprise the remainder of the membership list.

### GERMANS ARRESTED ALLOWED FREEDOM

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—It was announced today that all German sailors, arrested following attempts to sink interned ships, have been released, with the exception of those accused of violating criminal statutes.

### SWISS MINISTER HAS DOUBLE DUTY.



Photo by American Press Association.

Representing Germany, Dr. Ritter conferred today in Washington over Yarrowdale affair.

## FOUR SEASONS ARE COMBINED

SNOW ON GROUND, BROTHERS  
RANCHERS THRESH, PLOUGH,  
HARROW AND SEED, IN SAME  
TOWNSHIP.

Spring, summer, autumn and winter are combined within the comparatively small area of one township in the vicinity of Brothers, according to Charles Haines, of this city, and E. W. Gurney, of Decatur, Washington, who returned today from a trip into the Brothers section where Mr. Haines' homestead is located.

Two threshing machines are busily at work separating what is left of the 1916 wheat crop, and in adjoining fields ranchers are harrowing, ploughing and seeding for the coming season. A few minutes after leaving the threshers behind them, Mr. Haines and Mr. Gurney drove through deep snow on their return to Bend.

The threshing season is later than ever before in Central Oregon, it is said, due largely to the relatively small supply of threshing machines. The burning of the outfit which was to have operated around Brothers has been another important factor in the delay.

One of the machines now working in the neighborhood, came all the way from Burns, working on ranches through all the grain country along the way. Several ranches are still to be visited by the threshers. A high grade of wheat is being turned out, Mr. Haines reports.

## Organization For Securing More Settlers Is Counseled

From the January 27 issue of the Oregon Voter, we reprinted a portion of Roscoe Howard's article dealing with Central Oregon irrigation affairs. Below is a continuation of Mr. Howard's article, reprinted from the current issue of the Voter, through the courtesy of its editor, C. C. Chapman.—Ed.

It has been demonstrated pretty well that, except in special cases, private capital will not go into the irrigation business in future. There is no profit to be derived from the business itself, and the indirect profits go to the settlers and to the state.

The irrigation district plan is good for lands that are settled, but there are many projects where there are not enough people to form a district.

I think practically all irrigationists and many other people are of the opinion that the state should lend its credit to this propaganda. But it seems to me that there is a disposition to let up on the advocacy of state aid and work for aid from the United States. Uncle Sam is over-burdened with irrigation projects, and will be for years to come. "The Lord helps those who help themselves."

The amount of credit that the state would have to lend would not

## UNIVERSITY MEN ORGANIZE CLUB

DR. U. C. COE CHOSEN  
AS PRESIDENT

Standing Committees Named and  
Tentative Arrangements Made to  
Entertain High School Seniors  
Before Commencement.

Organization was effected by the Bend University club, standing committees appointed, the aims of the club roughly outlined, and the date of the next meeting set for March 15 at the new Pilot Butte Inn, when college and university men gathered at a banquet and business meeting at the Emblem club last night. Dr. U. C. Coe was unanimously chosen president, Fred Woelflen as vice president, Ward Coble as secretary, and Clyde M. McKay as treasurer. These, with three others, Judge W. D. Barnes, F. H. May and Louis Bennett, comprise a council which will direct the affairs of the club.

**May Start Scholarship.**  
The possibility of starting a fund which would enable the club to send some high school graduate, recommended by the county school superintendent, to college, was suggested, and a further plan was outlined by F. Thordarson, city school superintendent, who suggested that the idea be carried still further and applied to some eighth grade boy who would otherwise be unable to attend high school.

**To Entertain Students.**  
It was decided that the club should give a dinner some time before the commencement exercises at the Bend high school, at which the boys of the graduating class should be guests. The club also approved the suggestion that the organization be put on a permanent basis, by filing articles of incorporation.

Standing committees named, were as follows: Finance, H. H. DeArmond, Ross Farnham, Louis Bennett; music, Ashley Forrest, Dr. Dwight F. Miller, F. Thordarson and Mr. Bennett; entertainment, Clyde M. McKay, W. G. Hastings and Ralph V. Poindexter.

The evening was enlivened by songs and instrumental music, Mr. Forrest and Dr. Miller alternating at the piano.

**Charter Members Many.**  
Charter members of the club are: Ward H. Coble, W. G. Hastings, F. H. May, M. T. Cole, L. D. West, F. Thordarson, Dr. U. C. Coe, Gerald Eastham, Steve Steidl, Dr. W. W. Faulkner, Ralph V. Poindexter, R. B. Gould, Francis Lamberty, J. A. Sather, Ross Farnham, Robert D. Moore, Ernest Bell, H. J. Overturf, Fred Woelflen, H. C. Ellis, J. Alton Thompson, George S. Young, Edward H. Keane, H. H. DeArmond, W. D. Barnes, Robert W. Sawyer, E. V. Ward, Ashley Forrest, Louis Bennett, B. A. Stover, Henry N. Fowler, Clyde M. McKay, and Dr. Dwight F. Miller.

### GERMAN MINISTER ON WAY TO BERLIN.



Photo by American Press Association.

Will enter harbor at Halifax tonight and leave before the lifting of darkness.

## VON BERNSTORFF IS AT HALIFAX

SHIP MAY NOT ENTER OR LEAVE  
HARBOR, EXCEPT IN DARK-  
NESS, TO PREVENT SPYING BY  
GERMANS.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)  
HALIFAX, Feb. 16.—The liner Frederick the Eighth, carrying Count von Bernstorff, ex-Ambassador to the United States, was sighted off the harbor here at noon. It steamed seaward again under instructions to return at 7:30 o'clock tonight. The vessel must enter and depart in darkness, in order to prevent the Germans from viewing the harbor.

While dropping anchor here, the ship will be allowed to receive no visitors, and Germans will be forced to remain on board. The ship will anchor in Bedford Basin, north of the city.

### BEND HIGH TOSSERS DEFEAT PRINEVILLE

32 to 17 is Final Tally for Locals  
—Enthusiastic Rally Rouses  
"Pep" for Contest.

Before a crowd of 300 fans, assembled at the Hippodrome last night the Bend high school basket tossers won from the Prineville high quintet by a score of 32 to 17. Under the tutelage of Coach Francis, the local boys showed better form than at any time during the season, and when the tally sheet at the end of the first half showed 11 to 10 in their favor, the Bendites turned in and ran up the balance of their total with little difficulty. The visitors were apparently tiring during the last half.

Norcott and Sanders, holding down the forward positions for Bend, were responsible for a majority of the baskets shot, and the work of Grube, at center, showed real class. Clarno and Smith put up a good game on the preventive end of the lineup. Cannon and Bonney, forwards, Yancey and Mitchell, guards, and Lister, center, constituted the Prineville team.

Jimmy Clifford, of the Hippodrome team, and Warren Yancey, of Prineville, alternated as officials. The game was preceded by an enthusiastic rally, under the direction of Yell Leader Alex Meradorf.

The high school team will clash Monday night with the Hippodrome team.

### LYMAN LAW'S FLAG FLOWN WHEN SUNK

Captain Says Austrian Submarine  
Allowed Crew to Take to Boats  
Before Placing Bomb.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)  
ROME, Feb. 16.—Captain McDonough telegraphed the United Press today that an Austrian submarine sank the American schooner Lyman Law, after permitting the crew to enter the life boats. The schooner flew the United States flag as it sank.

Captain McDonough said, "We hoisted the flag when we first sighted the submarine. The crew of the U-boat boarded, and after we had left the ship, their commanding officer exploded bombs in the hold."

## FOOD SHORTAGE BECOMES WORSE

GERMANY SUFFERING  
FROM GRAFT.

Nation's Strength Concentrated in  
Army—Cold Destroys Quantities  
of Provisions—Coal Famine  
Closes the Schools.

By Carl W. Ackerman,  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

PARIS, Feb. 16.—Germany is undernourished. Food and economic conditions are growing steadily worse. There is endless graft in food distribution plans, and transportation problems are increasing.

Von Hindenberg is not considering the welfare of the people. He has concentrated the whole strength of the nation to maintain the efficiency of the army. He is organizing a million women workers for the industries of the country, to enable more men to enlist. Americans leaving Berlin received thousands of requests for food.

A German physician asked an American family to pay him in food, instead of money. The police are powerless to prevent grafting, and it is a peculiar fact that the most influential Germans are among the chief offenders.

They declare they interchange wares. Magistrate's friends get extra food cards, and many cards are stolen. The recent cold snap destroyed large quantities of potatoes and apples. Many schools and large offices in public buildings are closed on account of the coal famine.

### GERMANS ADVANCING

Penetrate Half Mile Through Four  
French Trench Lines.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)  
BERLIN, Feb. 16.—It was announced today that the Germans stormed and captured four French lines on Hill No. 185. They advanced a half mile, along a 2500 meter front, taking 837 prisoners and 20 machine guns.

German losses were slight. The French directed an unsuccessful counter attack.

### ASK LIQUOR CONTROL

Government May Take Over Estab-  
lishments in Event of War.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—The postoffice bill passed the Senate today containing drastic provisions against importing liquor into dry states. It appropriates \$330,000 for the postoffice department. Representative Randall is drafting a bill giving the government control of liquor establishments in the event of war.

### REFUSES TO BRING WOOL CAR TO BEND

Cold water was thrown on the plan to bring the government wool demonstration car to Bend the latter part of this month, when H. J. Overturf, manager of the Commercial club, received a wire from A. D. Hetzel, of the Oregon Agricultural college, in charge of the routing of the car, stating that it would be impossible to change the schedule.

## HUNGRY STORM HAGUE PALACE

SOLDIERS REPEATEDLY DRIVE  
RIOTERS FROM QUEEN'S RESI-  
DENCE — FOOD SITUATION  
REACHES CRISIS.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)  
THE HAGUE, Feb. 16.—Serious food riots took place last night before the royal palace here. Workmen staged a demonstration before the Queen's residence and the ministerial buildings. Hussars repeatedly charged the mob.

The food situation has reached a crisis in Holland, and officials fear a more serious outbreak unless the government remedies conditions. The German submarine blockade is considered the chief cause for the shortage in provisions.

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