

THE WEATHER  
Tonight and tomorrow, show-  
ers; southerly winds.

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## CRITICS OF THE ALLIES DENOUNCED

MOTIVES HIGHEST, IS STATEMENT.

### BALFOUR NIPS RUMOR

Thrilling Scenes on Potomac Attend Arrival of French Commissioners—Britain Gets \$200,000,000 of U. S. Money.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—British Foreign Secretary Balfour today denounced "certain doubting critics who think that French and English representatives have come to this country to envisage the United States into entangling alliances with European forces."

"There could be no rumor with less motive than the one I have just mentioned," he said. "I wish to assure the people of this great nation that the assistance which we are here to get, is not based on any such shallow consideration."

"You realize that this is not a quarrel over territory. You know that the British of the men kind animated the Allied cause. We know that you will throw the force of invention, production and man power into the balance. We know that nothing can keep you from it, and that you will see the war through."

**French Commission Here.**  
The final steps toward bringing the representatives of the world's greatest democracies together, came today with the arrival of the French commissioners. As former Premier Viviani, accompanied by Marshal Joffre, were gliding down the Potomac on the yacht Mayflower, Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo handed British Ambassador Spring-liced a treasury warrant for \$200,000,000, Britain's first participation in the \$7,000,000,000 war finance fund.

Few more impressive scenes are recorded in the history of the United States than that attending the arrival of the French commissioners at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon. Thousands lined the road from the Navy Yard to the pier, where the yacht was docked. Scores of army and navy officials awaited the party.

## REICHSTAGSCENE OF DISTURBANCE

**SOCIALIST CHARGES GERMAN GOVERNMENT IS TO BLAME FOR FOOD CRISIS—GAG RULE BARELY CARRIES.**

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
AMSTERDAM, April 25.—The now anti-government Socialist party precipitated a tumultuous disturbance in yesterday's meeting of the Reichstag. It was learned here today from Berlin dispatches. Ledebours, one of the organizers of the new party, charged that the government is responsible for the food crisis in Germany, and demanded that the Reichstag discuss the whole situation, and the government's mal-administration today. Amid tempestuous debate, the resolution was rejected.

Later word from Berlin was to the effect that the Reichstag will not meet again until May 2. General Groener, chief of the munitions department, was quoted as saying that the government is resolved to suppress strikes, regardless of the consequences.

**GETS BIG CHECK**  
Hans A. Johnson, of Tumalo, came to town this morning with a load of potatoes, 3080 pounds in all, and sold them readily, receiving a check for \$108.30. He also had a can of cream along, worth about \$8. Oh, for a farmer's life. Mr. John last year had one of the biggest yields of potatoes ever known on the Tumalo project and running 400 bushels to the acre.

## GRANT PETITION FOR RED CROSS

ORGANIZER IS TO BE HERE FRIDAY.

Enrollment of Between 200 and 300 Members Expected—Preparation for War's Emergencies Will Be the Chief Aim.

Announcement that the petition of Bend men and women to be permitted to organize a Red Cross Chapter here, is granted, was chief interest at the weekly luncheon of the Commercial club held this noon at the Pilot Butte Inn. The intelligence was first received in a telegram directed to Mrs. A. E. Trahan, who has been one of the leaders in the movement to secure a chapter of the association for Bend. District Organizer William H. Hush, of San Francisco, will be here Friday evening, the telegram stated, to perfect the organization.

Commercial Club Manager H. J. Overturf announced that the first meeting of the Red Cross would be held at 8 o'clock Friday night at the Hippodrome. It is expected that between 200 and 300 members will be enrolled, both women and men being eligible, and it is urged that a large turnout be present at the initial gathering. Chief among the aims of the organization will be the preparation for war emergencies.

**Hatchery Betterment Sought.**  
The matter of the fish hatchery was again brought up, and the manager was directed to write the Fish and Game Commission asking that the plant be given a thorough renovating, and also to inquire as to when a deputy game warden will be appointed for Central Oregon.

The matter of the good roads convention to be held in Portland Saturday, received some attention, and it was moved that a committee of at least three be sent to represent Bend. In line with the food preparedness movement, A. J. Kroenert, of the irrigation committee, suggested that with the cry going out for vacant land, that now should be the time to get federal aid for the completion of irrigation projects in the vicinity of Bend.

### MISS SUSAN BENSON CLAIMED BY DEATH

Born in Vermont, Was Eight Years a Resident of Bend Vicinity—Services to Be Tomorrow.

After an illness of several weeks' duration, Miss Susan E. Benson died last night at her home on Mountain Crest View ranch, aged 60 years. She is survived by two brothers and two sisters, W. D. Benson, of Seattle; Miss Mary Benson, of Bend, and Mrs. Nellie Higgins and P. H. Benson, of Wallingford, Vermont.

Miss Benson was born in Clarendon, Vermont, in 1857, and has been a resident of this vicinity for the last eight years. Funeral services will be conducted from the home at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

### POSTPONE LIQUOR PROBE TO THURSDAY

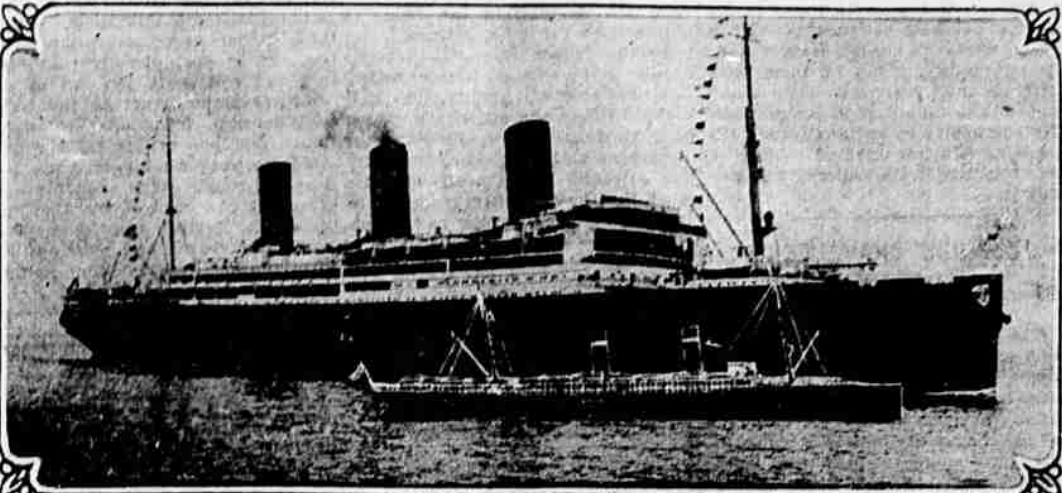
Because of the unavoidable absence of Court Reporter Raymond, the investigation of alleged violations of the prohibition law at the opening of the Pilot Butte Inn last month was postponed today, until tomorrow morning. It is expected that the taking of testimony Thursday may conclude the investigation.

### OKLAHOMA JOINING U. S. CROP CAMPAIGN

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
OKLAHOMA CITY, April 25.—A committee of seven appointed by the governor, including three state officials, will determine practical methods of increasing food crops in Oklahoma this year and outline a detailed plan for suggestion to producers.

In this movement Governor R. I. Williams joined the executives of 12 central states in the greatest food drive of history. President Frank M. Gault, of the state board of agriculture, State Labor Commissioner William G. Ashford, Bank Commissioner J. D. Laekford, are the state officials who will take part in the propaganda. The four citizen members of the commission will be named later.

## WATERLAND TOWERS ABOVE OUR BIGGEST SHIP



The world's biggest steamer is the German ship Waterland, which has harbored at Hoboken, N. J., since the beginning of the war. It has now been taken over by the United States government. See how it compares

### WILL MAKE LA PINE A FORESTRY CENTER

Forest Supervisor Hastings Announces Changes Aimed to Increase Efficiency.

Definite steps are being taken by Forest Supervisor W. G. Hastings to make La Pine the center of the timbered area of that part of the Deschutes national forest tributary to the town. As the first move toward this, the Big River range district station will be moved to La Pine, and other changes in telephone communication and road building will follow.

Mr. Hastings believes that the efficiency of the system can be greatly increased by the change.

### GERMAN STRIKES NEARLY A REVOLT

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
ROME, April 25.—Pope Benedict has been informed by papal nuncios in Teutonic countries that the general strikes prevalent, closely approximate revolutions, according to reports in Vatican circles. It is asserted that the nuncios believed that a general revolt to back the demands of the people for peace, might develop.

### FIRE CONTROLLED ON THE CORONADO

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—Eureka dispatches indicate that the steam schooner, Coronado, which caught fire off Humboldt Bay last night, will be brought in safely today with the fire under control. The Hoquiam rescued the crew of the vessel.

### TO REMOVE MURGIA FOR VILLA FAILURE

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
EL PASO, April 25.—General Francisco Murgia, Mexican commander in the northern military zone, will be relieved by government agents. It is understood that General Amaro, commander in Chihuahua City, will take his place.

### TURKISH HARBOR AND VESSELS DESTROYED

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
PETROGRAD, April 25.—The destruction of the Turkish harbor works at Karasunt, together with five Turkish vessels, was officially announced today, as the outcome of a successful Russian cruiser and destroyer raid. Karasunt is a seaport of Asiatic Turkey on the Black Sea.

### PORTLAND WHEAT SOLD AT \$2.54 CASH

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
PORTLAND, April 25.—Spot cash deals for wheat, Portland delivery, were made this afternoon at \$2.54 a bushel, probably the highest price ever paid in the history of the United States.

### "SEA JITNEY" FLEET TO BE STARTED SOON

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—Construction of the first thousand of the wooden "sea jitneys" will begin in a few days, Secretary of Labor Wilson announced today.

**MISS HISLOP BEREAVED**  
Ninian Hislop, who died in Lebanon on April 16, at the age of 91 years, was the father of Miss Joanna Hislop, who taught in the Bend schools in the past year. Mr. Hislop was born in Scotland in 1825, removing to Canada in 1841. He had lived in the west since 1908, coming to Seattle at that time to be with his daughter. Three other children survive.

### AMERICAN STEAMER SINKS SUBMARINE DURING SEA FIGHT

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—According to an unofficial report made this afternoon to the Navy Department by officers of the American steamer Mongolla, the ship probably sank a submarine during the course of a battle with the German craft. The supposed sinking occurred while the Mongolla was en route from the United States to England, and reports were so indefinite that the department withheld the message itself.

### U. S. NEEDS CHAINMEN

I. C. C. Vacancies Announced—Postmasters' Exam Tomorrow.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that a number of vacancies exist in the position of rodman and chainman for the Interstate Commerce Commission in the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, at salaries ranging from \$729 to \$1080 per annum. Age limits 18 to 25 years.

The examination consists only of filing application form 1800 with the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C. Copies of the application and full information may be secured from the Secretary, 11th Civil Service district, Seattle, Washington; or from the local secretary, Board of Civil Service Examiners, in this city. All qualified persons are urged to apply.

An examination to be held in Bend on Thursday, April 26, will be to create an eligible list for the position of fourth class postmaster at Terrebonne.

### CITY ATTORNEY IS WORSTED IN WORDY DUEL WITH CHINESE

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
DENVER, April 25.—The life of a deputy city attorney in Denver is a hard, hard road to travel, anyway. But the crowning ignominy has been heaped on Con K. O'Byrne, who is Irish, as his name implies. O'Byrne suspected that a Chinese witness, being sworn in police court did not realize the meaning of the oath he was taking.

Sell Lung, known as the mayor of Denver's Chinatown, was the witness. But O'Byrne didn't know this. "China boy save God?" he queried, as Lung took the oath. "Mr. Attorney, if you mean do I understand the entity of our Creator, I will simply reply that on next Sunday I shall address a body of my fellow countrymen upon the subject of the divinity of Christ, and shall be pleased if you will attend," replied the Chinaman, in perfect English.

### U. S. COLLIER AGROUND

Brutus Is Impaled on Rock in Pacific—Ships Rush to Aid.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
SAN DIEGO, April 25.—The naval collier Brutus, is impaled on a rock "somewhere in the Pacific." Several American ships have been rushed to its aid. How badly the Brutus is damaged could not be ascertained. Rescue ships were expected to reach the Brutus last night, and to attempt a rescue today. The crew numbers 372 men.

### BASEBALL MEN MEET TONIGHT

A meeting of the candidates for the Bend baseball team will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the Council rooms of the O'Kane building, for the purpose of forming the Bend nine for the coming season. It is understood that there is some likely material available this season.

## MAY CUT DOWN WATER CHARGE

B. W. L. & P. CO. WOULD USE AREA BASIS.

Change From Frontage Plan Would Favor Practically All Water Users, Particularly Household-ers Owning Small Lots.

Bend property owners and renters who intend to maintain lawns this year, may possibly be called to pay on an area basis, instead of on a frontage basis as has formerly been the case. Employees of the Bend Water, Light & Power Co. are checking up the area of the lots in the city, to secure data for an area rate which will not be in excess of the frontage rate paid last year. When the compilation has been completed, a schedule to fit the new conditions will be sent in to the State Public Service commission for the approval of that body.

A large increase in the number of attractive green lawns in Bend should result if the new system goes into effect, Manager T. H. Foley, of the Bend, Water, Light & Power Co., believes. "The company will not get quite so much out of it as on the old plan, but it will be much more equitable to the water users," he said. "According to the present plan the same amount is paid for watering 50 foot lots, regardless of different depths. A majority of the laboring men of Bend are building, or have built on rather shallow lots, and the new system of charges will be a special incentive to them to make lawn improvements, whereas they have hitherto been at a comparative disadvantage."

**Tables Prepared.**  
Mr. Foley was unable to say as to the exact date on which the new schedule would be submitted to the Public Service Commission, but intimated that no time would be lost in sending in the petition.

Comparative tables prepared from property taken at random throughout the city showed that in practically all cases the change from the frontage to the area plan of charges would mean an advantage to the water user. Mr. Foley explained that in addition a 10 per cent prompt payment discount would probably be incorporated in the new schedule.

### PRINCE TO GET EQUIPMENT

To obtain equipment, in the way of uniforms and guns, Frank R. Prince is in Portland today for the Bend Rifles, the marching division of the Bend Amateur Athletic club. Mr. Prince has been enlisting men for this feature of the club activities, and drilling will begin Friday night at a meeting to be held at the Emblem club.

## GERMANS WAGING DESPERATE WAR

**GREAT MASSES OF MEN THROWN INTO BREACH WITH UTMOST PRODIGALITY—BRITISH CONTROL THE AIR.**

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
LONDON, April 25.—More than 3000 Germans have been taken prisoner since the resumption of the British drive against Teutonic positions, on Monday, it was reported today in the statement issued by General Haig commanding the British army. Further advances are being made in spite of the bitter opposition offered by the Germans.

The enemy is throwing every available reserve into the fighting breach. On a nine mile front from Oppy to Croisilles, fighting is raging with a ferocity unparalleled since the opening of the war. The Germans are using great masses of men with a reckless prodigality, and an utter disregard for the value of human life.

British artillery literally tore the massed German troops to shreds. Hand to hand fighting of the most bitter sort is being waged. Forty German aeroplanes were destroyed yesterday, and the complete mastery of the air gained by the British is giving a great advantage over the Teuton forces, as the Germans are now unable to spy on British movements. Fighting on the French front is principally in the nature of artillery combats.