

WAR DEFICIENCY BILL COMPLETE

LARGEST IN HISTORY OF COUNTRY.

Over Half of Money Called For Goes to Ship Building Industry—Some Will Buy Seeds For Farmers—To Help French Roads.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—The giant urgent deficiency bill, carrying over \$1,000,000,000, was reported to the House today. Over half is for the War Department and \$100,000,000 goes for ship building. Another \$140,000,000 will be used to extend the American supply depot and rail system in France.

This is the largest amount of money ever called for in the nation's history. Secret testimony published when the bill was presented shows that General Pershing has been hampered by faulty materials, congestion at the receiving stations and lack of sufficient tonnage.

Hearings developed that France had agreed to appraise the American built railroads at the end of the war and buy them for the French railway system.

The bill also included \$4,000,000 with which to purchase seeds, which will be sold to the farmers at a reasonable cost.

ENORMOUS ARMIES ARE CONCENTRATED

2,340,000 Germans Thought On West Front at Present—23 Divisions Brought From East.

By Henry Wood, (United Press Staff Correspondent.) WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES, Feb. 14.—It is believed that fully 2,340,000 Germans are concentrated in the west at present. So far 175 divisions have been identified, including 22 divisions recently brought from Russia. It is indicated that the Bulgarians are replacing the Germans on the Salonika front.

DEGREES CONFERRED.

The degrees of Knight Templar and Knight of Malta were last night conferred upon Dr. U. C. Coe by the Knight Templar lodge. The occasion was celebrated with a banquet in the commandery hall in his honor.

GERMANS' HOPE IS EXHAUSTION

BURIAL OF CORPSES WITH THE CLOTHES ON NOT PERMITTED—KAISER REPORTED WILLING TO LISTEN TO PEACE TERMS.

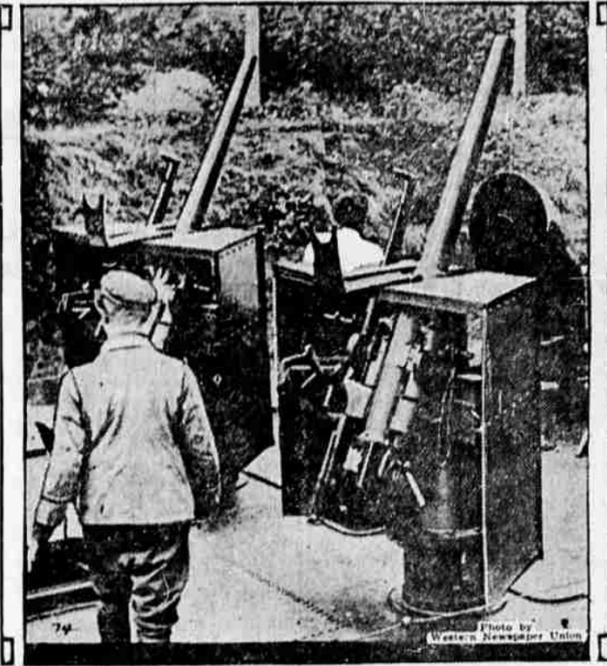
By William Philip Sims, (Copyrighted 1918 by United Press.) ZURICH, Feb. 14.—Germany no longer permits the burial of corpses with their clothes on. In order to save cloth, wood, zinc, copper and similar substances they are buried in pasteboard coffins and paper shrouds. Worn-out utensils are bringing high prices.

According to an American woman recently arrived from Germany, the "Tonic" people no longer expect a victory and their only hope is that the allies will be exhausted before their country is compelled to ask for peace. She understands that Wilson's speech has made a deep impression on them and will probably bear fruit.

The Kaiser is reliably reported as declaring that Wilson's terms are reasonable enough to form a basis for negotiations, but the military party and not the Kaiser are masters.

Many children and grownups are going barefooted and are unable to get shoes. Travelers say 90 per cent of the Germans have lost their enthusiasm for the war. Everything indicates that the Central Powers are generally in such a state of turmoil that in order to win, the allies need only keep their equitable war aims published and hold the west front.

FRENCH GUNS OF LATEST TYPE



Newest type of French cannon mounted on Alsne canal boats. They are used against aircraft and for checking the enemy patrols from approaching the canal.

TAX ELECTION IS TOMORROW

COMMERCIAL CLUB COMMITTEE GETS OUT POSTERS ANSWERING VOTERS' QUESTIONS—MASS MEETING TONIGHT.

Posters urging all to get out and vote at the special city tax election tomorrow were put up this afternoon by the campaign committee of the Commercial club, which prepared them at a meeting last night. Of these the following four vital questions are answered briefly: "Why should the tax be voted?" "What will it cost me?" "What will be done with the money?" "What will happen if it isn't voted?"

A mass meeting has been called at the labor temple for tonight to discuss the issue. H. H. De Armond, chairman of the Commercial club campaign committee, Councilman A. E. Edwards and P. E. Pierson will give explanatory talks. An attempt is being made to arouse sufficient interest to bring out a large number of voters tomorrow.

Polls in the hose house on the corner of Minnesota street and Lava Road will be open from 8 a. m. until 8 p. m.

ARRANGES FOR CAR OF WHEAT FOR SEED

Farmers are taking advantage of the Wednesdays County Agriculturalist R. A. Ward is keeping an office open in Bend and the flocking to him for advice. Yesterday 18 called during the afternoon and the week before 25 were in. The principal problems they are threshing out just at present are concerning the disposition of potatoes and securing sufficient seed.

Mr. Ward has arranged for a small shipment of about a carload of wheat, which is now on its way to Bend. Alfalfa has also been found but rye seems to be a more difficult proposition.

Reports for the labor and crop survey are coming in fairly rapidly, Bend leading as to promptness. Questionnaires were distributed to 1100 farmers in Crook and Deschutes counties. After February 18, the time limit set, it will be possible for Mr. Ward to ascertain just how much labor is needed for farms this coming season, the amount of live stock on hand and what seeds must be produced.

INCOME TAX MAN AT MILL.

Income Tax Inspector James S. Hogg will be at the office of The Shevlin-Hixon Lumber Company tomorrow afternoon from 1:30 on to confer with all employees of the mill, who desire information on making out their income reports. This is for the convenience of the men who work there, so that all who desire may prepare their statements without taking time off to come down town.

Americans Aid In Attack On Trench With Barrage Fire

By Henry Wood, (United Press Staff Correspondent.) WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES, Feb. 14.—American artillery took part in the big French attack in the Champagne region yesterday. Through the Yankee barrage fire the Germans were isolated from their communication trenches and their retreat and reinforcement was prevented. Later the American gunners encircled the advancing French army with a protective curtain of fire. The German trenches and fortifications were completely destroyed.



PERCY A. STEVENS, Who lost his life on the Tuscania.

SIR SPRING-RICE IS CALLED BY DEATH

Late Ambassador to the United States From Great Britain Succumbs to Heart Failure Today.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.) OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, former British ambassador to the United States, died of heart failure at the government house this morning. He had been ill several years. The well known diplomat was 56 years of age. Earl Redding recently replaced him as ambassador.

Sir Spring-Rice was in the diplomatic service since 1909 and has held the posts of clerk in war office and foreign office, secretary in diplomatic service at Brussels, Washington, Berlin, Tokio and Constantinople, charge d'affaires at Teheran, British commissioner of the public debt at Cairo, secretary of the embassy at Petrograd, minister and consul-general to Persia, and ambassador to the United States since May, 1913.

BOLO PASHA GIVEN SENTENCE OF DEATH

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.) PARIS, Feb. 14.—Bolo Pasha was this afternoon convicted of treason and sentenced to death. Filippo Cavillini, his accomplice was also given a similar sentence, although in Italy at the present time. Pasha was a Frenchman, who was charged with aiding the German cause in the United States.

TUSCANIA VICTIMS STILL NUMBER 264

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—Official London cables to Secretary of War Baker say that 264 men are still unaccounted for as a result of the Tuscania disaster. The survivors number 1894.

LITTLE GIRL DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Bertha Louisa Dick, the two months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dick, was buried today at the Pilot Butte cemetery, funeral services being held from the home. The little girl died Tuesday of pneumonia contracted through a severe attack of whooping cough. Rev. H. C. Hartman conducted the funeral.

ATTORNEY GENERAL ASKED TO ASSIST

Gregory Will Cooperate With Shipping Board In Investigating Charges of Graft.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—The President has written Attorney General Gregory asking him to cooperate with the shipping board in investigating the graft charges at the Hog Island shipyards, where it is alleged that government funds were used by private interests.

The Hog Island work has been watched several weeks by the Senate commerce committee, which alleged that the yard, originally planned to cost \$21,000,000 would amount to \$50,000,000 at the present rate of expenditure. The government is building the plant through the American-International Corporation, which in turn is building through subsidiaries. These are paid additional fees, which are charged to the government.

ALFRED MOE LISTED AMONG SURVIVORS

Parents of Alfred Moe, who was on board the Tuscania, received word today from the War Department to the effect that he was among the survivors. No other details were given. Mr. Moe enlisted in the forestry regiment last year with a number of other Bend men.

GERMAN MECHANIC ACQUITTED TODAY

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.) NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—After four minutes of deliberation the jury today acquitted Paul Hennig, a German mechanic charged with tampering with the mechanism of a torpedo boat. The government has asked that the case be dropped.

SHIP INDUSTRY STRIKE BEGUN

HIGHER WAGES ARE OBJECTIVE.

50,000 Men Walk Out In New York Plants—Government Assumes Navigation Control.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.) NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—It is reported that the Atlantic coastwise shipbuilding strike is involving 50,000 men. It comes as the immediate result of the shipworkers' demands for wage increases. Ship carpenters are asking \$6.40 per day instead of the \$4.80 granted by the shipping board. Union officials in this city are conferring on the matter today.

PLUMBERS MAY FOLLOW.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—Carpenters at the Baltimore shipbuilding plants and the Bethlehem shipyards, near Baltimore, struck today. The plumbers threaten to follow them.

GOVERNMENT WILL REGISTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—Control of all coastwise lake and water navigation was assumed by the railroad administration today. W. H. Pleasants was appointed manager of the marine section of the transportation division board. The navy will work in coordination with the rail movement in trans-Atlantic and coastwise shipping. The water routes will be used to break the coal famine.

J. C. RHODES BECOMES RED CROSS SECRETARY

J. C. Rhodes has been appointed secretary of the Bend Chapter of the American Red Cross to succeed Mrs. J. C. Vandever. Mrs. Vandever, who has filled the position very efficiently, has had to resign in order to devote herself to her work in the schools which she undertook recently. The chapter office will hereafter be in the Bend Park Company office on Oregon avenue instead of in the county surveyor's office.

GETS REDUCTION ON FERTILIZER

COUNTY AGRICULTURIST ARRANGES FOR SHIPMENT OF SULPHUR FOR TANCHERS—CAN SAVE \$5 PER TON.

Sulphur for fertilizing purposes may be purchased by ranchers in this vicinity at a reduction of \$5 per ton if enough sign up to merit bringing in a carload, or 40 tons, the first week in March. County Agriculturist Ward has just arranged for this through the government, but must be sure that enough care to take some before it is brought here. No small shipments can be procured.

Applications of sulphur have been found particularly advantageous in raising alfalfa. R. G. Grimes, of the Pilot Butte ranch has found his crop increased and began to grow earlier after each cutting when he had used the new fertilizer. Of the ten farmers who tried it out in the vicinity of Bend the past year, all report from a 25 to 35 per cent larger yield. Two hundred pounds are generally used to an acre.

Land plaster contains about 320 pounds of pure sulphur to each ton and it is thought possible that the excellent results obtained from it have been due to the sulphur. The straight use is a still greater improvement. Sulphur is a new fertilizer and was discovered accidentally in spraying fruit trees. Alfalfa growing around them and getting some of the mixture grow better. It bids fair to become one of the greatest leguminous fertilizers, according to Mr. Ward.

All who desire to sign up for a portion of a shipment should do so as early as possible.

FRENCH MAKING A TRENCH RAID IN THE SNOW



The snowfall in France has been unusually heavy and the soldiers in the trenches are experiencing, besides, the rigors of the weather, which in many cases is harder to bear. As this photo shows, the Pollux are not letting up on the Boches, despite the snow and the cold. They are making a raid on the enemy trenches over the snow-covered fields in the Oise district. The men in the foreground are evidently trench cleaners.