

U. S. TROOPS TO BE KEPT IN GERMANY

PLAN FOR RETURN IS UPSET

TO REMAIN NEUTRAL

American Soldiers, While Taking No Part In Reparations Trouble, Must Be Left On The Rhine In View of Present Situation.

By Raymond Clapper. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9.—American troops will be kept on the Rhine until the flareup between the allies and Germany over reparations is ended, according to the best information here.

BRITISH SHIPS SIGHTED BERLIN, March 9.—British ships were reported sighted off Cuxhaven today. British blockading of German ports was a matter discussed by the allies to enforce reparation terms.

ARMS DEMANDED WITH THE ALLIED ARMIES, March 9.—Surrender of all German arms in the occupied areas was demanded today by General Gaucher, commanding German police are permitted to retain bayonets and revolvers.

MILITARY ACADEMY BEATS B. H. S. TEAM

Early Lead Taken By H. M. A. Results In 37-24 Defeat For Visitors.—Brosterhous And Orrell Star.

PORTLAND, March 9.—Hill Military academy took an early lead over the Bend high school in last night's basketball game on the floor of the local institution and emerged the victors by a final score of 37 to 24.

BEND BOY WINNER IN COLLEGE MATCH

Bob Fulton Defeats W. S. C. Opponent In Mat Meet, Aiding College to Victory over Washington

Bend high school boy, Bob Fulton, played no small part in the recent victory scored by the O. A. C. wrestling team over the W. S. C. grapplers. Of his work, the following is reported in a Corvallis paper: "Bob' Fulton started the ball rolling by winning a decision over Logan of W. S. C. in the first bout of their match.

\$23,000 SAVED BY MARION CHILDREN

SALEM, March 9.—Over \$23,000 has been saved by Marion county school children in 19 districts, according to thrift reports received at the office of the county school superintendent, made out by the teachers in the various districts.

War Hero Admits He Kidnaped Son of Smelter King

TACOMA, March 9.—Hugh C. Vanamburgh, World war hero, holder of the D. S. C. and Croix de Guerre for gallantry in action with the marines at Chateau Thierry, is in jail here, confessed kidnaper of Arthur Rust, 19-year-old son of W. R. Rust, millionaire smelter operator. Vanamburgh asserts that he is the victim of a gang of crooks who operated in Portland and who compelled him to "pull the job."

DELAYS PUBLIC SALE OF WOOL

SENATOR STANFIELD GETS ACTION

10,000,000 Pounds of Government Owned Fleeces Scheduled To Go To Market Tomorrow, Withheld—Benefit to Growers Is Great

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9.—Robert Stanfield, the new senator from Oregon, went into action with a vengeance and has succeeded in making the prospects of the wool grower of Oregon somewhat brighter. An amount equal to one-half the entire wool crop of Idaho, the greatest wool producing state in the union, will not be dumped on the market now, with consequent demoralization of prices.

The mere announcement of this postponement does not convey to the general public the importance of the action. In the first place, the public sale of this large amount of government wool at this time, when the clip for 1920 is still owned by the producer, and the 1921 clip is just being made, would result in a very low price being offered for the government wool, and, if sold, would be at a large financial sacrifice to the government.

UNUSUAL MARRIAGE TANGLE IS SOLVED

PORTLAND, March 9.—The last chapter of a peculiar marriage tangle has been written and Mrs. N. V. Wilma, Oregon pioneer, will soon be in undisputed possession of an estate of \$10,000.

Mrs. Wilma's daughter, Rachel Wilma, married G. Brown when she thought her first husband was dead. Later, she discovered that the first husband was living, left Brown, and sued husband No. 1 for divorce. The decree was granted in December. Before she could carry out her intention of remarrying Brown, however, she died.

Her aged mother could not receive her estate until Brown had waived claim. For four months a state-wide search had been instigated for Brown, who disappeared when his "wife" left him. Last week in a local restaurant one of the attorneys for the estate accidentally recognized the man, who willingly waived claim that the \$10,000 might be turned over to Mrs. Wilma.

INSPECTORS SEEK DYERS OF NOODLES

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9.—If you see an egg noodle that looks as if he had a yellow streak, detain him. Government inspectors are looking for such noodles, following reports that some manufacturers are dyeing their noodles instead of smearing them with eggs, as the law requires.

C. O. I. SETTLERS MAY VOTE UPON PURCHASE PLAN

RESERVATIONS ASKED IN CONTRACT

WANT FEW CHANGES

Election Date Expected To Be Announced This Week, Attorney For Settlers States—Bond Issue Defeated Early In The Year.

With interpretive reservations, the contract recently defeated by a small margin by the settlers of the C. O. I. district for the purchase of the Central Oregon Irrigation company's holdings will be re-submitted in the near future, according to action taken yesterday by district directors, reported here this morning by H. H. De Armond of De Armond & Erskine, attorneys for the settlers.

The plan to re-submit the question was favored by the settlers who met with the directors at Redmond, Mr. De Armond said, and the changes advocated are such as to have little effect heretofore to fix more definitely than otherwise the sense of certain provisions of the contract, he states. He was of the opinion that the date might be established some time this week.

RECALL MOVE IS UNDER WAY

CAMPAIGN TO REMOVE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONERS TO BE STARTED AS RESULT OF RECENT RATE ADVANCES.

PORTLAND, March 9.—Incorporation papers were signed and forwarded to the secretary of state at Salem today by the public service recall committee, which proposes to conduct a campaign for the recall of Public Service Commissioners Corey, Buchtel and Williams. Local headquarters have been established. The grievance against the commissioners is the recent increases granted by them for higher telephone, gas and steam heating rates.

GOOD SEASON FOR REALTY EXPECTED

Believing that the present year will be one of the best that Bend has ever seen from the standpoint of the realtor, Charles Carroll has opened offices on Bond street under the name of the Benham Falls Realty Co. He will handle city and farm property and timber lands.

Eastern Railway Decides On Cut, Amount Not Told

PHILADELPHIA, March 9.—Immediate reduction of salaries of 215,000 employees of the Pennsylvania railroad was announced today by the board of directors. The amount of the reduction was not determined, but it "shall bear an equitable relation to increases of pay since January 1, 1918."

HARDING SENDS FIRST MESSAGE

COLOMBIAN TREATY IS SUBJECT

Text Not To Be Made Public As Long As Senate Remains In Executive Session—Ratification Urged By President Delayed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9.—President Harding's first message to congress was despatched from the White House shortly after noon. It urged ratification of the Colombian treaty by the senate, which is being held in special session to consider that measure and other treaties. It was announced that the text of the message will not be made public unless the senate decides to consider it in open instead of executive session. The senate will decide tomorrow whether to take up the Colombian treaty or to let it go over until a special session of congress. Following the receipt of the Harding message, urging ratification, the senate adjourned without acting.

THIEF UNWAKENED BY STOLEN ALARM

CHICAGO, March 9.—The faithful alarm clock which never failed to awaken August Kettman, failed to perform for Charles Owen McCoy, who took the timepiece, with numerous other articles, from the Kettman home.

When the police raided McCoy's apartment they had to awaken him from a deep slumber. He cast a reproving look at the clock. "I set it for 3 o'clock, he said, "so's I could catch a train to Springfield." The clock was returned to the Kettman home.

KRONSTADT REVOLT WILL NOT SUCCEED

WARSAW, March 9.—The Kronstadt uprising against the Bolsheviks probably will fail, Boris K. Savinkoff, Kerensky's war minister, admitted today.

SHANIKO ROAD IMPROVING

The road through Shaniko to The Dalles from Bend is rapidly getting into shape and will be in good condition for travel within three or four days, according to reports received by the Bend garage.

NO CAUSE HERE FOR PESSIMISM IS EMPHASIZED

RUMORS ATTACKED BY CLUB SPEAKERS

SCHOOLS IMPORTANT

Biggest Industry, Declares Carl A. Johnson—Change In Mental Attitude Responsible For Feeling of Depression, Is Claimed.

The need for a determined fight against the forces of unrest, some of a nature distinctly against the basic doctrines of Americanism, was urged this noon at the weekly meeting of the Bend Commercial club. Discussion was begun by S. W. Moore, chairman of the committee on American ideals, with the declaration that rumors afloat in Bend are showing that unrest is becoming a local menace. He urged the need of "counseled-education" and the development of the type of patriotism which will set aside consideration of dollars and cents for a consideration of the welfare of the nation.

J. A. Eastes recalled that Bend has been "going in high" for the last 11 years, that a slight lull is only natural and emphasized that rumors tending to encourage a feeling of pessimism, now going about, are to be discouraged.

No Cause for Pessimism. As a matter of fact, there is no cause for pessimism, Carl A. Johnson showed. Touching briefly on Bend's chief industry, the mills, he mentioned the annual payroll of approximately \$1,000,000 and approximated the chief difference which has come into being in economic conditions is the "hold off" psychology which has replaced the war psychology of spending. Industrially Bend is four times better off now than in 1915, he showed.

Mr. Johnson asserted that Bend and the Bend Commercial club is neglecting the city's biggest industry—its schools. "Altogether too little attention is being paid to the school system and the school needs," he said, emphasizing that through the schools, the problems confronting America today can be largely eliminated in the next generation.

Employes Optimistic. During the lessened activities of the past three months, the Shelly-Hixon payroll has reached \$160,700, and that of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co. \$121,000. A Whisnant declared. Claude Smith stated that, on trips to the logging camps, he had found workers employes optimistic and confident that any wage reductions would be compensated for by lessened living costs.

E. P. Mahaffey told of the Elks' Big Brotherhood, the organization of the "junior republic," and the turning over of the lodge hall to the boys two nights each month, as a part of the campaign adopted by the order to aid in training the boys of the community to become useful, law-abiding citizens.

The big problem is birth control. If the drift toward degeneracy is to be stopped, declared Dr. Owens-Adair, champion of eugenics legislation, who is making her headquarters in Bend this month. "We have the problem of managing the pervert and the degenerate," she said. Discussion of the irrigation question took up the early part of the meeting. H. H. De Armond moved that the manner in which the \$400,000 appropriation for the Benham falls project is to be expended be ascertained, and this, as well as the motion by A. Whisnant for a telegram of thanks to Oregon congressmen for securing passage of the measure containing the appropriation, was carried.

BAKER IS APPOINTED COLONEL IN RESERVE

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9.—Secretary of War Weeks today appointed Newton D. Baker, former secretary of war, as colonel in the officers' reserve corps.

BRITAIN HAS PLAN TO GET GERMAN DEBT

SEIZURE BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED

CUSTOMS TAX FUTILE

Fifty Per Cent of Exports Will Be Taken If Measure Contemplated Passes Parliament—More Extensive Invasion Urged by French

By Ed L. Keen. (United Press Staff Correspondent.)

LONDON, March 9.—Means which the allies will take to extract required reparations from Germany were revealed today by Andrew Bonar Law, government leader in the house of commons. Bonar Law announced that a bill will be introduced shortly providing for seizure of 50 per cent of the value of German exports. He stated that immediate passage of the bill will be urged, since trade with Germany is suspended for the time being.

With the first anger against the dilatory tactics of the German delegation subsiding, the insistent question has arisen as to how allied occupation of additional territory is to compel payment of the German indemnity. It is generally believed that the proposed customs tax will yield only a comparatively small amount of money. It is pointed out that, while the Rhine district is sufficiently well guarded to prevent customs running, there is no guard at German seaports.

Necessity for seizing these ports is urged upon some government officials. Military and naval activity will be expensive, possibly consuming a great share of the money gained through the customs.

From French sources it is learned that even more extensive invasion of Germany is urged in the hope that Germany at least will agree to pay something like the great sum demanded by the allies.

SHOWS METHOD OF GOPHER POISONING

Expert In Employ of Government Finds Sweet Potato Bait and Tasteless Strychnine Most Effective.

By condemning compact traps of land, as high as 85 and even 90 per cent, results may be attained in poisoning pocket gophers, according to E. E. Horn, representative of the U. S. geological survey, who has been spending the last few days in Central Oregon showing the farmers the best ways of ridding the land of destructive rodent pests. A sweet potato bait, with a tasteless strychnine recently developed, is found to yield a 20 per cent higher kill than any other combination, Mr. Horn states, although he also recommends the bait of oats covered with a starch solution in which strychnine in its alkaloid form has been suspended.

The poisoning campaign was worked out with most excellent results in Malheur county last year, the farmers of five communities combining to condemn 20,000 acres. It cost on an average of 10 or 11 cents an acre to poison the gopher runways, and with an original infestation of some 15 rodents to the acre, the cost of killing was slightly less than one cent each, Mr. Horn stated. The hardest thing to learn in gopher poisoning is to locate the main runway, in which the strychnine-impregnated bait is placed. In sage-rat poisoning, the bait is scattered on the surface of the ground.

GRAND DUKE LEADS ARMIES IN SIBERIA

ZURICH, March 9.—Grand Duke Michael, brother of the former czar, is leading the anti-Bolshevik offensive in Siberia and has captured 5000 prisoners, Polish reports state.

