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OREGON WEATHER

Weather tomorrow: Fair.

AN OPPORTUNITY

The ordinary ever-day citizen may wonder why it was that the bill appropriating between \$600,000,000 and \$700,000,000 for an aeroplane fleet to help the allies win the war, was passed with hardly a word of debate, while the river and harbor measure, carrying \$27,000,000 in appropriations was heatedly debated for over a week.

There are two reasons. The last named bill involved the principle of "pork" legislation which does not meet with the approval of all legislators. But more important than that is the fact that those closely in touch with the development of war preparations and the disclosures of facts which are guiding the allies in those preparations, see the great opportunity America has of throwing into the balance of struggling nations, the determining factor in an immense air squadron. And, with the right kind of a program, in the hands of the right men, with an absence of cumbersome red tape, the thing can be accomplished in time to do some real good.

It is estimated that this country can put over the fighting lines in France by next spring, a fleet of 26,000 aeroplanes. No time need be lost in experimenting; the experiences of our allies during the three years of war have proven out certain types, models of which are at hand. Experts who were on the ground report that Germany was able to rout the Roumanian troops into a disordered retreat by bombs dropped from only a dozen machines. At Petris, the French dropped 200 bombs in 20 minutes, causing 4,000 casualties. At this rate, 30,000 machines could drop 9,600,000 bombs in four hours. Assuming, as has been carefully estimated, that one bomb is equal to 20 soldiers, 30,000 airplanes could make an attack over a period of four hours that would be the equivalent of hurling 192,000,000 men into an infantry attack.

These are big figures. They speak eloquently of the possibilities involved in America's entry into the war. This consideration leaves out of account the value of the air machine in defeating the submarine through attacks on their bases.

The dream of Jules Verne of a war "in the air and beneath the sea" will prove a reality before long. Germany is putting her faith in the under-sea boat. America has her opportunity in the air fleet.

Home preparedness—cans loaded with food.

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POLITICAL PULL DIES IN WAR MAKING WORK

Washington, July 31.—"Political pull" died a sudden and violent death when America went to war. It was, in fact, first on the casualty list of "old-established customs" which have met a sad fate since Uncle Sam began to battle for democracy. Careful investigation today proved this.

The politicians, congressmen, senators, professional lobbyists and "influential citizens" are still staggering from the blow.

Today came a letter from a chamber of commerce secretary in a mid-western city begging a once influential Washington politician to use his influence in "putting across" an aviation training camp for his particular city. The politician sat down and wrote the reply.

"Don't waste your time trying to get politicians to plug for you. Don't send a lobby down here to 'put the thing over.' It won't do you a bit of good."

The selection of Des Moines as an army cantonment site emphasized this point.

Sioux City was wild for the camp. It learned that its big lobby, its letter writing campaign, its personal pleas from Senator Kenyon and all the other frantic efforts it had made to land the camp had been of no avail and that St. Paul had been the chosen spot.

Immediately Sioux City set up a plot against St. Paul. It produced exhaustive reports to show that St. Paul was the only "wet" spot for many states around and that Sioux City was morally better than St. Paul for the troops.

Result: The war department recalled its decision in favor of St. Paul.

Off for home went telegrams from the Sioux City lobby yelling "hurrah, we've won."

But no sooner had they turned away from the telegraph office and hot-footed it back to the war department to hear the sweet word that Sioux City had been chosen than they were met with the announcement that the camp would go to Des Moines.

Now not only had Des Moines never asked for the camp, but it was the home of Senator Cummins, who was looked upon as not at all friendly to the administration and who never lifted his voice to make a single plea either for or against the location of that camp.

The Sioux Cityites were furious. They were told that after they had succeeded in spiking St. Paul's

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guns Secretary Baker had called for the war board's report on the list of available titles, and, finding Des Moines next on the list after St. Paul had quietly marked off St. Paul and substituted Des Moines.

These are only a few of hundreds of instances in America's war capital every day which show the way the cold and uncomfortable political wind blows.

RED CROSS CARRIES HELP TO ASIA-MINOR

New York, July 31.—The Red Cross war council has appropriated \$300,000, to be expended in August for relief work in the Near East, through the American committee for Armenian and Syrian relief. The Red Cross will appropriate a like amount for each of the four remaining months of this year if the work of the committee is not sufficiently hampered by the Turkish government to make further grants inadvisable.

The American committee is the only organization outside of the Red Crescent, (controlled by the Turkish government), which is allowed to administer relief in certain portions of the Turkish empire. Its field of operations includes not only Asia Minor and those portions of Armenia and Syria that are in the Ottoman empire, but it also includes a large section of Armenia now dominated by the Russian army, as well as the Russian Caucasus, Persia, Mesopotamia and portions of Egypt and Macedonia, into which refugees, Armenian, Syrian and Greek have fled in large numbers. With the exception of the work being done by the Jewish relief committee, the American committee is the only agency organized for affording relief in this great area.

HUGE TIMBER BEING CUT AT WASHINGTON SAW MILL

Morton, Wash., July 31.—The Pacific National Lumber company here today is cutting timbers of record-breaking size. One order now being filled is 100 sticks 32 by 32 inches and 120 feet long. The mill has a reputation for cutting large size timbers.

ROOT MISSION FACED DEATH FROM MURDER

Tokio, July 31.—Anarchists attempted to wreck the train on which the American mission to Russia was traveling, according to travelers who have just arrived here.

Bridges ahead of the Root mission train were fired. The train was stopped before it reached the burning structure and was delayed 36 hours. Storehouses and trains were fired at Viatka station as Root's train passed which narrowly escaped destruction.

NEW YORK SWELTERS MANY PROSTRATIONS

New York, July 31.—New York is sweltering today. The temperature at noon was 92. The weather bureau holds out no hope for an early passing of the present hot wave.

There were 33 prostrations in New York alone during the last two days. Several deaths have been reported.

AMERICA'S VITALITY WILL DECIDE WAR

Washington, July 31.—America's great reservoir of men, money and materials will turn the tide of war during the fourth year of the struggle. The coming year will see her doing a vast bit in the task of overturning autocracy. Ultimately her strength will win.

This is an epitome of the statements made in this city by prominent officials on the third anniversary of the beginning of the war.

President Wilson and Secretary Lansing repeat their declarations that the nation must forge on to a victory and that without us, the war must end in a miserable peace.

"The beginning of the fourth year of the war find the United States doing noble work toward a victory," said Secretary of War Baker today. "We are engaged in a tremendous task. But already much has been done and I feel confident that, by united work and spirit, we shall triumph."

SAYS MICHAELIS DOES NOT TELL THE TRUTH

Paris, July 31.—Speaking before the chamber of deputies today, Premier Ribot branded the statements made in Berlin last week by Chancellor Michaelis, as absolutely false in so far as the claims he made that there was a secret treaty between France and Russia looking to conquest of German territory.

BRITISH CASUALTY LIST FOR MONTH OF JULY

London, July 31.—England has lost 71,899 killed, wounded and missing in her armies according to the month's casualty lists. Of these, 15,549 were killed, 53,445 were wounded and 2,895 were missing.

PORTLANDERS DANCE FOR WAR AMBULANCE FUND

Portland, July 31.—In 14 halls throughout the city tonight, patriotic Portlanders will dance. Members of the committee in charge said this afternoon they expected thousands to attend.

The money raised by the 14 dances will go to the ambulance fund of the Third Oregon regiment of the national guards. Owners of the halls forgot about rent, the musicians in the 14 orchestras are donating their time and, the committee announces, practically every other item of expense has been eliminated.

SUBSTITUTES WILL BE CALLED EARLY IN AUGUST

Washington, July 31.—It was announced today that, seven days after the physical examinations of the first lot of 755,000 men under the draft law had been completed, the second or substitute lot would be called for examination, which would bring it early in August.

A classified ad. with five cents. Calling cards at the Courier.

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WAVE OF ECONOMY STRIKES MANY PORTLAND EMPLOYEES

Portland, July 31.—Fifty six bureau head and other city officials today are saying good bye to their jobs.

A number of city offices are being eliminated, and others are consolidated. The changes go into effect tomorrow. The changes are in the engineering department, and will save the city \$5,375 a month or \$64,500 a year.

Commissioner Barbur said today still other changes were planned to cut the municipal payroll.

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