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AMERICANS IN FRANCE ACTIVE AGAINST HUNS

YANKEE SHELLS OBLITERATE AT LEAST FIVE GROUPS OF GAS PROJECTORS

AGAIN RAIDING ENEMY'S LINES

Capture Crew of Air Raider Which Fell Within Allies' Lines and Turn Men Over to French

With the American Army in France, Mar. 13.—There was greater activity by the Americans on the Toul sector on Monday than at any time since they took control. Their shells obliterated at least five groups of gas projectors, set up by the enemy, preparing for attack. Fires back of the German lines also caused a number of explosions.

American forces again raided enemy lines, penetrating to the second line of trenches, killing a number of the enemy. No prisoners were taken. Along the Chemin-des-Dames, they captured the crew of an air raider which fell and turned them over to the French.

SMALLER TIMBER FOR SOUTHERNERS

Washington, Mar. 13.—The shipping board has authorized a reduction in size of ship timbers used in wooden construction in the south, to expedite construction.

ALLIED LEGATIONS HAVE LEFT JASSY FOR ODESSA

Washington, Mar. 13.—The American and allied legation staffs left Jassy for Odessa, with the assurance of safe conduct. Their departure has been delayed by quarantine.

SHIP ASHORE HAS 121 PASSENGERS

An Atlantic Port, Mar. 13.—The steamer Kershaw, with 121 passengers, is aground off the southern New England coast, but it is believed is in but little danger. A breeches buoy has been rigged up by coast guards, to take off the passengers.

SOCIALISTS PLAN TO STRIKE ON MAY 1

The Hague, Mar. 13.—Labor agitators and radical socialists are planning to call widespread strikes throughout Germany on May day (May 1), according to information from the German border today.

May day has always been the date of socialist activities in Europe, and even in peace times was usually the occasion of disorders.

That the German government, through its elaborate system of espionage, knows of the plans for a national strike is regarded here as certain, and there is no doubt that strong military measures will be taken to prevent them.

The socialist bloc in the German reichstag is again becoming restive, despite the rosy claims of the government regarding the situation in the east.

The majority parties intend to insist upon absolute clearness regarding the status of the former Russian border states.

EARLY OPENING C. & O. PROBABLE

Civil Service Clerk on Way to Roseburg Land Office, Supposedly to Arrange for Opening Lands

Roseburg, Mar. 13.—Register W. H. Canon and Receiver R. R. Turner, of the United States land office in Roseburg, are in receipt of a letter from Clay Tallman, commissioner of the general land office at Washington, which recites that a civil service employee of the general land office has been detailed for duty at the land office in this city to assist in the rush of work that will be incident upon the land opening. This advice, although not giving the date when the assignment becomes effective, is taken to indicate that the formal land opening order may be expected any day.

Many people are anxiously awaiting this announcement, because vast potential homebuilding possibilities are involved, and exceedingly busy times are ahead for the government land officials who will handle the new business.

CULTIVATE YOURSELF OR RENT FREE IS RULING

Portland, Mar. 13.—Many vacant lot owners are demanding rent for the use of their property during the coming summer for war garden purposes. In consequence they are being placed in the disloyal class by the various organizations behind the war garden movement. Among these owners are many prominent men, and it is said that unless they recede from their present attitude and permit gardens to be cultivated without charge their names will be given to the public.

SHELL EXPLOSION ON U. S. SHIP KILLS THREE

Washington, Mar. 13.—A shell explosion on board the United States ship von Steuben, killed three men. It exploded when being fired in target practice.

HOLDUP MAN KILLED BY CAR CONDUCTOR

Portland, Mar. 13.—An unidentified holdup man was killed last night at the end of the Fulton street car line by P. G. Heath, motorman after the holdup man had backed the conductor into a corner with the motorman. Heath was formerly a guard at the state penitentiary and he fired two shots, the first hitting a police star worn by the hold-up man, and the second, fired through the window striking through the left shoulder and penetrating the lung.

The dead man is believed to be the same who on February 28 held up a Fulton car and on March 2 held up cars on the Hawthorne and Mount Tabor lines.

The star worn by the highwayman is a regulation Denver police star number 229.

Salem, Mar. 13.—P. G. Heath, Portland motorman, who killed a robber last night, was one of two guards at the state penitentiary who killed a convict named Love about 18 months ago while Love was trying to escape from a flax-pulling gang. The other guard was Leland Murphy and both men shot Love. Indications were that members of the gang of convicts had formed a plot to kill the guards. Heath left here about two months ago.

CHARLES PAGE BRYAN DIES AT WASHINGTON

Washington, Mar. 13.—Charles Page Bryan, former ambassador to Japan, and minister to several other countries for the United States, died today at the age of 61 years.

THREE FROM JOSEPHINE IN NEXT DRAFT

FIVE PER CENT OF NET QUOTA CALLED FOR LAST WEEK IN MARCH

2 FROM LELAND, 1 FROM ALMEDA

No Credits to Be Given on Draft for Previous Enlistments in the Army Service

Josephine county will be called upon to furnish three men for the second draft, this number being 5 per cent of the county's quota for the first 95,000 men.

Those who are affected by this call are:

No. 5, Lewis S. Fall, Leland.
No. 6, Roy Ruby Reed, Leland.
No. 8, Maple Carmen Page, Almeda.

Should there be any alternates necessary Clifford Johnson, Grants Pass, would be first called on, and James Donald Woodey of Kerby the next called.

The order for the draft is contained in the following telegram from Acting Adjutant General John M. Williams:

"Induction call No. 84 upon this state is hereby announced by the provost marshal general as follows: 'During the five day period beginning March 29th local boards will complete the entrainment for Camp Lewis of a number of men equal to 5 per cent of their gross first quota. Do not confound the term first quota with the first net quota.'

"The number to be furnished by your board is three. The exact number of men called for must be actually delivered and no credits are to be deducted at this time. Only white men and men physically qualified for general military service may be inducted under this call. Men should be inducted out of class one in sequence of order numbers, except that the president directs that in filling this emergency call the order numbers of men who are actively, completely and assiduously engaged in the planting or cultivation of a crop should be passed for the present. Bearing in mind that this step is taken solely in the need of the nation and not for the benefit of any individual."

TWOHY BROS. INTERCEDING WITH GOVT. TO FINANCE THE C. & O. C.

Mayor Demaray on Tuesday received an encouraging letter from Congressman Lea of California, member of the committee on rivers and harbors, as follows:

Committee on Rivers and Harbors, House of Representatives U. S. Washington, D. C. March 6, 1918.

Mr. C. H. Demaray, Mayor, Grants Pass, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Demaray:— I received your telegram of March 4th and a short while after its receipt Mr. Miller of Twohy Brothers called in reference to the question of giving assurances of the construction of the railroad from Grants Pass to Crescent City. We discussed the matter at some length. He left with the purpose of immediately taking up with the governmental authorities the question of financing the road. He is entirely familiar with the situation out there and seems to be in good position to take up the construction of the road and its financing if that is possible at this time.

So far as the harbor is concerned, we can satisfy the conditions imposed

SENATOR REED ATTACKS FOOD ADMINISTRATOR

CHARGES UNEQUALLED WASTEFULNESS IN EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC MONEY

\$7,811 FOR MOVING PICTURES

Failure to Pay Existing Bills and Make Complete Report to Congress is Violation of Law

Washington, Mar. 13.—Senator Reed, of Missouri, democrat, renewed his attack on Food Administrator Hoover in the senate today, delivering a three-hour speech in which he charged that never in the country's history has there been such wastefulness in the expenditure of money as that of the food administration. He demanded that a complete accounting be made before another dollar is appropriated for its use.

Among other things the Missouri senator said: "A drunken sailor never threw money around as this administration is now doing."

"Failure to pay existing bills and make a complete report to congress is a violation of the law under which the food administration was founded. 'For the purpose of providing more wheat and pork for our allies we've expended \$7,811 for moving picture slides,' said he. 'I've seen some that did nobody any good, but always advertise the food administrator.'"

The speech was made in connection with an amendment introduced by the Missouri senator and later rejected providing for the elimination from the urgent deficiency bill of an appropriation of \$1,750,000 for the food and fuel administrations.

OFFICIALS CONDEMN POOR QUALITY MILK

San Francisco, Mar. 13.—Evaporated milk valued at \$6,000 purchased from the Holly Milk and Cereal company, of Amity, Oregon, has been condemned by federal inspectors and seized by the United States marshals at Fort Mason. It is said to be below the reputed standards and butterfats.

CAPTAIN ARCHIE SHOT IN ACTION

Captain Archibald Roosevelt Was Wounded in Action With American Forces in France Today

New York, Mar. 13.—Captain Archibald Roosevelt, the colonel's son, was wounded in action with the American forces in France today. A cablegram from Theodore, Jr., brings the news that he was wounded slightly in the leg and his arm is broken by shrapnel, but he is not in danger.

New York, Mar. 13.—Colonel Roosevelt says, "As long as Archie is not killed, every thing is all right."

BRAZIL HAS SEIZED GERMAN OWNED RAILROAD

Rio de Janeiro, Mar. 13.—The Brazilian government has taken over the Santa Catherina railway, built by German capital. It was officially announced today.

The government has received news of the departure of the Brazilian charge d'affaires from Petrograd. Norway will look after Brazil's interests there.

AVIATOR OF NAVAL RESERVE DROWNED

Norfolk, Mar. 13.—Aviator M. L. McNaughton, of the naval reserve was drowned here today when he fell 300 feet into Hampton Roads with an airplane. His companion was uninjured.

U. S. WILL PROVIDE WORK FOR ITS CONVICTS

Washington, Mar. 13.—The installation of 500 looms at the Atlantic penitentiary for the manufacture of heavy duck for tents and mail bags, is provided in a bill favorably reported to the house this afternoon by the judiciary committee. The committee added a section for the purchase of farmlands near the penitentiary to be worked with prison labor.

W. W. COTTON, LAWYER OF PORTLAND, DIES

Portland, Mar. 13.—Word has just been received that W. W. Cotton, general counsel for the O. R. & N. company, and a well known lawyer of the Pacific coast, died in Los Angeles today. He recently went there for his health.

YOUNG CHICKS MAY BE SENT THROUGH MAILES

Washington, Mar. 13.—Five-day-old chicks may be sent through the mails beginning March 15, under orders issued Monday by Postmaster General Burleson. They must be sent by parcel post, but without insurance or C. O. D. provisions, and only when they can be delivered within 72 hours from the time of mailing.

PROTEST AGAINST NEW CASUALTY LIST

Washington, Mar. 13.—Protests against the war department's new policy of issuing casualty lists without addresses continue to reach members of congress, and the subject was debated today in the house.

President Wilson is understood to be giving personal consideration to the reasons for the change, and it is known that the department has asked General Pershing, who suggested it at the instance of the French government, to forward a full statement of the military considerations involved, so they may be laid before the American public.

U. S. MARSHAL HAS GENUINE SLACKER DAY

TWO ARRESTED IN JOSEPHINE AND ONE TRANSCIENT OVERHAULED AT GOLD HILL

BOUND OVER TO FEDERAL JURY

Seized Guns in Possession of Max Schultze and W. A. Schilinsog and Arrested Emmet Harshman

Medford, Mar. 13.—Deputy United States Marshal F. B. Tichenor spent a busy day in Medford yesterday, leaving for the north in the evening. He took with him H. D. Keen, a slacker whom he arrested at Gold Hill, and a small arsenal.

Keen admitted his failure to register for the draft and gave as a reason that he lacked but eight months of being over age, and supposed he would not be required to register. His home is in Tacoma, and at the time of his apprehension, he was riding blind baggage towards California.

The guns seized by Tichenor and acting Chief of Police Timothy, were in the possession of Max Schultze, of Sams valley, who illegally held five rifles and failed to turn them over to the police at the request of the government. Schultze is the father of William Schultze, the barber, arrested last week on a similar charge, and at present supposedly confined in the federal prison at Portland. One shotgun belonging to W. A. Schilinsog, was also seized and taken to Portland. All three men having the weapons were granted freedom, awaiting action in the William Schultze case.

Deputy U. S. Marshal F. B. Tichenor arrived here last night from Jackson county where he made a round up of alien enemy guns and examination of slacker suspects. At Grants Pass he was present at the examination before U. S. Commissioner Herbert Smith last night, of R. B. West, who was arrested a few days ago at Selma and of Fred McCallister of Grants Pass, both arrested as slackers. At the hearing both men waived preliminary examination admitting their guilt and were bound over to the federal grand jury, with bonds placed at \$1,000. Inasmuch as bonds could not be raised the men were taken to Portland by Deputy Tichenor, leaving this morning.

West had been living for nearly a year in the Oak Flat mining section about 15 miles from Selma and was arrested when he went to Selma for groceries. He claimed to be over age but a phone message from his mother at San Francisco established his age as 28.

McCallister had been working at Klamath Falls and was notified by the sheriff to come to Grants Pass and was arrested here. He gave in a false report of his age, the family Bible being appealed to as proof. But when the original family Bible record was looked up it was discovered that he was within the draft age.

Moscow, Mar. 13.—The all Russian congress of soviets, has postponed its meeting until March 14.

LUCRETIA GARFIELD DIES AT EIGHTY-SIX

Los Angeles, Mar. 13.—Mrs. Lucretia Garfield, widow of James A. Garfield, 20th president of the United States, died of pneumonia at her winter home in Pasadena today at the age of 86 years. She has six grandsons in the service.