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RED CROSS HAS MADE PAYMENT WITHOUT DRIVE

TURNS IN \$284 AS ITS PRO RATA OF GREAT \$15,000,000 WAR FUND

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE IN NOV.

Nothing But Dollar Subscriptions to Be Accepted; Half of Money to Remain With Local Chapter

A meeting of the directors of the Red Cross was held yesterday noon, and reports were made by the president, secretary and treasurer and Mrs. Moss, secretary of the home service committee.

The local chapter had the option of conducting a campaign for its pro rata of the \$15,000,000 war fund drive or remitting out of its treasury the amount allotted to it. Inasmuch as the treasury showed a balance of about \$1700, sufficient for the estimated needs of the year, the amount of \$284 was ordered forwarded to the northwestern division office, and as a consequence there will be no campaign for war funds in November. However, \$867.81 have been loaned since January 1, on local cases.

It was disclosed, however, that there will be a drive for memberships in the Red Cross, commencing November 2nd and ending November 11. This is a national drive and it is expected that every one will renew his membership in the Red Cross for the coming year. Nothing but dollar subscriptions will be taken and half of the money will remain in the local treasury. A. K. Cass has been appointed chairman of the membership drive and an urgent request is made that all persons give of their time as liberally as they have in the past to make this drive successful.

It was also shown by the reports made that 410 cases, since January 1, 1919, have been handled by the home service committee, involving all phases of soldier's affairs. The recent visit of a nurse who saw service in France, brought the report that Josephine county chapter was splendidly organized to take care of the problems of its soldiers and their families or dependents.

A committee was appointed, with C. D. Thompson as its chairman, to nominate directors for the coming year and to hold an election over the county.

Report was made that advices had been received from the division office that it would not be necessary to keep for future use, the rooms occupied in the courthouse as sewing rooms.

One of the questions involved in the peace-time program of the Red Cross, is the question as to whether the Red Cross should take over the handling of civilian cases not connected in any manner with those men engaged in the recent conflict, and Miss Jane Allen, of the state bureau of health, was called upon to make a statement concerning her mission to this country at this time.

Miss Allen stated that money received from the sale of Red Cross stamps at Christmas time for the care of tubercular patients, had been allotted to Josephine county, and if a few people would express their desire to have a visiting nurse come to this county for a period of three months without expense, the state board of health would be glad to send one as soon as they could find a person competent and qualified to accept such a position.

The luncheon was served by Mrs. Alice Mallory, who has served all of the Red Cross luncheons since the organization of the local chapter in April, 1917.

BANDITS IN ORIENT OUTDO WILD WEST

Hold Up Steamer and Rob Rich Passengers of 30,000,000 Rubles; the Poor Are Spared

Batoum, Causasia, Oct. 11.—Six robbers, travelling as passengers commandeered the Russian steamer Constantine on a recent trip between this port and Constantinople and robbed a selected list of wealthy passengers of 30,000,000 rubles. The robbery was conducted with the daring and finish of an American train hold-up.

The Constantine carried merchants from Tiflis, Baku, Bagdad and Eriwan, proceeding to Constantinople to purchase goods, with cash in gold and Romanoff rubles for the purpose. There was nothing to indicate the character of the robbers until the ship was within 12 hours of the Bosphorus, when the captain and crew at the point of pistols, were ordered forward and the engines stopped. The leading merchants were lined up, as their names were read from a list, and their persons and baggage searched. It was a case of all firearms on the deck and arms aloft. The crew and the humbler passengers were not molested.

The captain was ordered to navigate his ship close to shore, the pile of firearms was tossed into a lifeboat, and the robbers moved to land. They immediately disappeared in the hills of Anatolia. The members of the crew who rowed them ashore received a handsome tip.

EGGS \$1.35 DOZEN ON LONDON MARKET

London, Oct. 11.—Profiteering in eggs is attracting the attention of the food ministry because of complaints which are reaching it from all parts of the country. In some London districts the retail price is \$1.35 a dozen, and the cheapest is \$1. If this condition continues, it is announced, the ministry will step in to protect the consumer.

KING AND QUEEN VISITING HOOVER

Santa Barbara, Cal., Oct. 11.—King Albert and Queen Elizabeth and the Crown Prince of Belgium arrived here today for a three-day stay at the home of Herbert Hoover.

AGAIN MAKING IRON IN MAHONING VALLEY

Youngstown, Ohio, Oct. 11.—The first iron manufactured in the Mahoning Valley since the steel strike began, was poured from the blast furnace here early today. Activity at other plants indicates that they will attempt to manufacture iron soon.

ROBBERS USE PEPPER INSTEAD OF PISTOLS

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 11.—Six robbers this morning held up the paymaster of the Samuel Emerson company, in the lobby of the building, and after throwing pepper in his face escaped in an automobile with \$11,000.

SEEDLESS FIG

Pomona, Cal., Oct. 11.—A seedless fig has been developed here by W. F. Bollinger, after several years' labor. Horticulturalists are said to regard it as a distinct addition to fig culture.

GERMAN GUNS BATTER RIGA FOR ATTACK

FORCE LETTISH TROOPS TO EVACUATE CITY; FIGHTING CONTINUES NEAR MITAU

TERMED "GERMANY'S NEW YEAR"

Captain of Steamer Forced by Mutiny to Land at Flume While Taking Munitions to Anti-Bolsheviks

London, Oct. 11.—It was stated in authoritative quarters this afternoon that the German-Russian attack on Riga was carried out Friday under cover of a heavy bombardment by German guns, forcing the Letts to evacuate the city.

Copenhagen, Oct. 11.—A German telegram from Mitau says the fighting between the German and Lettish troops continues between Mitau and Riga. None of the troops subservient to the German government participated.

London, Oct. 11.—"Germany's new war" is featured in this morning's papers in connection with the fighting at Riga. The whereabouts of General von Der Goltz continues to be a subject of contrary rumors.

Flume, Oct. 11.—The steamer Persia, bound from Genoa to the Orient with munitions for the anti-bolshevik forces, has arrived here. The crew mutinied and the captain was forced to land at Flume.

MAGAZINE PRINTING SHOPS ARE CLOSED BY STRIKES

New York, Oct. 11.—Every magazine printing establishment in this city has been closed as a result of the "quarrel between certain local unions and their international unions" according to announcement by the Periodical Publishers' Association of America.

The publishers also announced that "three very large publications have already completed plans for permanent removal and their printing machinery and paper supply is now being shipped to Chicago."

SALE ARMY SUPPLIES BRINGS IN MILLIONS

With the American Forces in Germany, Oct. 11.—Twelve hundred motor trucks abandoned by the German army in the area taken over by the Americans as part of the armistice material were sold recently to a syndicate of German automobile dealers. This deal virtually completes the work of the Coblenz branch of the United States Liquidation commission.

The sale of surplus property of the American army at the Antwerp base which also has been completed brought to the government \$14,000,000, most of the goods disposed of to the Belgian government, bringing a better price than could have been obtained in the United States.

By the sale of a part of surplus stocks of the American forces in Germany, much of which was sold to German civilians, the sum of \$11,000,000 was realized. Among the material sold recently to German dealers was 2,000,000 pounds of candy of a kind not particularly in demand among the American soldiers.

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 11.—Street car operatives on strike here voted today to return to work at noon, union officials announced, under the terms of settlement arranged by the state railroad commission.

FLYING PARSON WINNER IN THE PLANE DERBY

LEFT MINEOLA 9:24 a. m., OCT. 8, ARRIVED AT PRISCO TODAY AT 1:12 p. m.

RETURN TRIP STARTS OCT. 20

Sergeant McKee and Lieut. Kiel, of Oregon, Are Among the Leaders in Eastbound Flight

San Francisco, Oct. 11.—Lieutenant Maynard, the "Flying Parson," leader of the westbound aviators in the trans-continental airplane derby, reached San Francisco today at 1:12 from Mineola, N. Y., from whence he left at 9:24 a. m. on October 8.

Binghamton, Oct. 8.—Major Spatz, eastbound, arrived here at 2:51, Lieut. Kiel arriving at 3:50.

San Francisco, Oct. 11.—Interest in the trans-continental airplane derby today centered in the semi-final dash to the Pacific of Lieutenant B. W. Maynard, the "Flying Parson," who arrived at Mather Field, Sacramento, at 11:50, only 75 miles from his destination, and that of Lieutenant E. C. Kiel of Oregon, and Major Earl Spatz, who arrived at Buffalo en route to Mineola shortly before noon.

Both the eastbound and westbound aviators expected to completed the first half of their trips today, with time to spare.

Captain L. H. Smith, who led the eastbound fliers up until today, lost his way in a heavy rain near Cleveland today and made a forced landing and broke a propeller. He expects to continue his flight later today.

Sergeant McKee, mechanic for Lieut. Kiel, is from Medford and is known in Southern Oregon. Lieut. Kiel has also made several flights in this state.

Washington, Oct. 11.—The return trip of the army airplanes in the trans-continental race will start on October 20, the army air service announced today. The planes will be held at the coast stations for repairs.

S. S. SCHELL FINISHES FINE PIECE OF WORK

"A regular boulevard—the finest that I have seen in the state south of Portland," was the statement made the other day by one of the paving inspectors, in speaking of the six and a half miles of new paving from Grants Pass south to the Jackson county line.

A fine compliment to S. S. Schell, who is now putting the finishing touches to the job. It is all completed with the exception of spreading the asphalt on a short stretch near the Sixth street bridge, but this has been held up for the reason that a car of asphalt ordered from San Francisco several weeks ago, has been lost through re-routing, due to the cave-in at a tunnel near Kennet, Cal., recently.

Mr. Schell, in the meantime, is making good headway in repairing Sixth street in Grants Pass, from L street to the bridge, and the work of scarifying is about finished. He will soon begin active operations on his second contract, from the Jackson county line to Gold Hill, in which undertaking J. L. Calvert of this city is also interested.

Good progress is reported being made on the new bridge across the Rogue at Rock Point.

REPORT 2,000 GO DOWN ON STEAMER

Admiralty and Lloyds at London Discredit Rumor, as They Have Received No Notice

Archangel, Oct. 11.—Two thousand lives have been lost in a wreck of an unnamed British ship on the Norwegian coast, according to a wireless dispatch from Helmsfors.

London, Oct. 11.—Neither the admiralty nor Lloyds have received information relative to the wreck of a British ship on the Norwegian coast. These sources discredit the report.

If the loss of life in the wreck reported is as large as indicated, the disaster will mark a new record in the annals of the sea. It would seem probable that the vessel lost was a British transport bringing British soldiers from Archangel, from whence Great Britain has been embarking large numbers of men, but it is not known that troops ships have sailed recently from Archangel.

PROHIBITION BILL NO UP TO THE PRESIDENT

Washington, Oct. 11.—Following the refusal of union longshoremen at New York today to unload five vessels en route from Europe, Secretary Baker announced that soldiers will do the work.

SPECIAL ELECTIONS IN DISTRICTS 7, 8, 9

Petitions have been presented to the county court requesting the court to call special meetings in road districts 7, 8 and 9 for the purpose of levying a special road tax not exceeding ten mills for the graveling of the main thoroughfares in said districts. District No. 7 is the Fruitdale and Murphy sections; No. 8 is the Provost-Williams section, and No. 9 is the section in the vicinity of the River Banks Farms.

Acting upon the said petitions the county court has called a special election to be held in the various districts on the 3rd day of November, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m. for that purpose.

Under the law the districts can levy up to 10 mills on the dollar, and upon doing so cooperation can then be had with the county court, state highway commission and the federal government. This will be the means of several thousand dollars being spent on the roads of the above districts during the next years and certainly shows the progressive spirit of those living in the various districts.

BY TRAIN FROM SEWARD TO FAIRBANKS IN 1922

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 11.—Unless something unexpected happens, trains will be running over the government railway in Alaska by 1922 or 1923, John W. Hallowell, assistant secretary of the interior, predicted here recently upon his return from an inspection tour over the road. The railroad is being built from Seward, on the ocean, to Fairbanks, on the interior river system. Within a few weeks the United States senate will take up a bill appropriating \$17,000,000 for the completion of the railway.

PRESIDENT BETTER MUST REMAIN ABED

Washington, Oct. 11.—President Wilson had another good night's rest and his condition shows improvement, it was said at the White House today, but he will be forced to stay in bed for an extended period, according to Dr. Grayson, notwithstanding his continued improvement.

YANKS GREAT SOLDIERS SAYS KING ALBERT

ATTRIBUTES THEIR FIGHTING QUALITIES TO OUR FINE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

DENIES HE WAS A REPORTER

"Our People Are Thrifty and Will Pay," Says King, But Must Receive Help Temporarily

On Board King Albert's Special Train, Oct. 11.—King Albert gave yesterday in the first interview which he has granted in the United States, some of the impressions he has absorbed since he came here. He said the day he landed that one of the purposes of his coming here was to obtain ideas and lessons applicable to Belgium. Something was said of American troops and his majesty, himself a soldier of brilliant attainments, immediately became enthusiastic.

"Your armies were wonderful," he said. "Even your own people did not think, did they, that you could send over two million men in a year? And such fine soldiers—they were. They seemed to be born fighting men. I do not know how to say it in English, but there seems to be something in your soil which grows such men. They went 3,000 miles to fight for an ideal and wherever I saw one of them he knew what he was fighting for."

"It was a tribute to your educational system that they were all so intelligent and that they could be trained in so short a time."

Pointing to a school house in a village his train was passing, he said: "See, the schools are the largest buildings, and it is so all over your country. Everyone here is educated. Not only have you lower schools and high schools and colleges but institutions of research where the young men may get such splendid training. They are the peak, the summit."

Pointing to the broad fields past which the train was speeding his majesty went on:

"Here there are large farmers and small farmers. It is well that it is so, for the ownership of land makes for increased production. The United States is fortunate. It has more than it needs of everything and out of its abundance it can supply sustenance for Europe. This year and the next will be the worst. After that we should be able to supply ourselves with food. It is well you use machinery to harvest your crops; in Belgium it is not so. Before the war all the work in our fields was done by hand."

There was a wistful note in his voice as though he were thinking of the men who would go to the harvest no more.

"All your people are prosperous," he continued. "They have money. When I was in New York I was in the stock exchange; that is the center of the world's finances. Turning briefly to American investments in Belgium, Albert said proudly:

"Our people are thrifty and they will pay their debts."

Keenly interested in finance, he nodded approval at the suggestion that the purchase of Liberty bonds had taught lessons of thrift and commented on the fact that what he called "state bonds" were not widely held until patriotism opened an unexplored field.

"But everyone had money to buy them with," he added with a smile. The king's face grew grave when labor unrest throughout the world was mentioned and he spoke interestedly of the conference of capital and labor at Washington designed to find a solution.

"It is well," he added, "that there can be a conference. There can be