

PRESIDENT WILL ADDRESS CONGRESS

Practically Determined to Talk Over Situation Late Next Week.

GERMANY REAFFIRMS TEUTON ALLIANCE

Naval Bill Authorizes President to Commandeer Shipyards and Munition Plants.

By Robert J. Bender, United Press Staff Correspondent.

Washington, Feb. 21.—President Wilson has practically determined to address congress on the German situation, probably late next week.

He plans to ask for broad powers to protect American rights after adjournment. He will advise all belligerents the exact circumstances surrounding his address and prevent misunderstandings. It is believed he must take every precaution to prevent Germany from misinterpreting the act.

It is announced that ambassador Ellus cabled the state department that Turkey reaffirmed the pledge of alliance with Germany and Austria. It is determined to fight to victory. The cable said the Turkish chamber of deputies are anxious to strengthen the good relations with the neutrals.

The chamber unanimously voted confidence in the new cabinet. The Senate naval committee favorably reported the administration naval bill. It carries a total of nearly half a billion dollars. And one hundred twenty-eight million dollars have been added since the house passed the bill. It authorizes the president to commandeer private shipyards and munition plants in event of war.

MILES OF ORANGES

(By United Press)
San Bernardino, Cal., Feb. 21.—One of those demon statisticians attacked the National Orange show at the beginning of its second day here today and figured that if every orange in the show were lined up they would reach 250 miles. He also figures that the canvas in the tents would clothe 3400 women in duck dresses. And just by way of diversion he totted up the feet of twine used to weave the canvas—only 192 million feet.

INTERESTING DISPLAY OF DIFFERENT AMERICAN FLAGS

In Dawson's east show window is displayed a fine assortment of American flags, showing the different ones that have been used in this country. About the first was a red cross, in 1497. During the colonial days there were numerous flags, including the regular English flag. Among them was the famous pine tree flag of Massachusetts, the snake flag used in the Southern colonies, the Cambridge flag of 1776, the kings colors of 1707, with a pine tree in the corner. When Independence was arriving there were a number with stripes and stars arranged in a circle and other ways, but it was not until 1818 that the flag became as now used, except that the number of stars has been gradually increased to 49.

ANSWER IS FILED IN PRUNE BUYING CASE

Sanford A. Lassalle, defendant in the case of H. S. Gile, et al, to stop the sale of 74,661 pounds of prunes, has filed his answer and a cross complaint. The answer states that Lassalle bought the prunes from P. I. Rust, paying over \$4,000 for same, that they are worth at least \$5,200 and that defendant is damaged \$746.66 the commission he was to receive for packing and curing said prunes. Gile bases his claim on the fact that he made a contract with Rust in June 1916, before the latter owned any prunes.

JUDGE M'KNIGHT MAKES REPLY TO RECENT ARTICLE

Statement From Linn County Delegation Gives Situation in Salary Matter.

Editor Democrat.
The Albany Evening Herald in its issue of February 10th, 1917, contained an Editorial on "Our County Judge." On Friday, February 15, I enclosed the following article with a brief note to the Editor requesting its publication in the Herald, but up to the present writing I have seen nothing of it in the columns of that Journal. Therefore I am asking the Democrat to kindly give space to the article which is self explanatory: "To the Editor of The Herald:"

In your issue of February 10th, there appeared an Editorial which came forth under the title, "Our County Judge." I only ask space of the Herald to quote an extract from my own article and a short statement from our Linn County delegation at Salem.

From the Herald: "The job has not been paying enough, and while the Judge has spent much of his time at Salem during the present legislature, the work of getting the Linn County Judge's salary boosted will work out well for the people of the County."

From the Linn County Delegation: "We the undersigned, representing Linn County in the Twenty-ninth Legislative Assembly for the State of Oregon, wish to say that Judge D. B. McKnight of Linn County made no attempt or made no overtures in any way to have the salary of the County Judge of Linn County increased.

We wish to say further that the law recently enacted increasing the salary of the County Judge of Linn County in no way affects the present incumbent for the reason that it does not take effect until January 1, 1919."

(Signed)
E. D. Cusick
Sam'l M. Garland
W. P. Elmore
Charles Childs
F. H. Porter

On the above statements I have no comments to make, I am willing to leave the matter with the readers of the Herald to judge."
D. B. MCKNIGHT

CITY NEWS

Corvallis Paving.—The city Council of Corvallis Monday evening received bids for paving Sixth street. There were bids by the Warren Construction Co., Montague-O'Reilly Co., and United Construction Co. on bituminous pavement, and by J. W. Ash on concrete. All the bids were higher than a year ago. Only the bid for the concrete is given by the Gazette-Times, \$1.13 for plain to \$1.30 for reinforced with wire netting.

Two Little Bills.—From a list published of bills that passed and have been signed by the Governor only two were introduced by Linn county members, one by Senator Cusick extending the time for closing polls at school elections, the other by the entire delegation fixing the salaries of county officers. This is to their credit. Not the number of bills, but prevention of bad legislation is what serves the people best these days.

Pine Violin Bow.—Probably the best violin bow in Albany is owned by Dr. Geo. Collins. If it is not some one will please show a finer one. Splendidly made, in perfect workmanship it is the consummation of violin bow art. The body of it is made of Pernambuco, Brazil wood, the little raise from Manzanita. In the handle is silver from an old watch case, and gold from a ring, with ivory at the tip. Certainly a beauty, worth at least \$25.00.

Shipped Cattle East.—Lee Miller last night shipped three car loads of cattle to Redmond, in central Oregon. The price of the cattle is not stated, but they will be used for range stock. Mr. Miller has shipped much stock this fall and winter. The shipment went out over the O. E.

Willamette Glee Club.—The date of the appearance here of the Willamette Girls' Glee Club which was to appear here March 8, has been changed to Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Methodist Church, admission 25c.

SEVERAL MORE STEAMERS SUNK

Real Submarine Success Not Known Until the Submarines Report.

BERLIN INSISTS THAT SUB. WARFARE IS SUCCESS

German Secretary Says British Navigation is Depressed to Danger Point.

(By United Press)

Berlin, via Sayville, Feb. 21.—The official press bureau announced that a crowded Italian transport, two armed steamers of Italian merchantmen, the French freighter Movantaux and French schooner Aphrodite were submerged in the Mediterranean. It is declared that the real submarine successes are not known until the submarines report.

Treasury secretary Helfferich addressed the German agricultural council and discussed the submarine war. He said that success is certain and would allow nothing and nobody to wrest success from us. He asserted that British navigation is already depressed to the danger point.

PROPOSED LEAGUE

A proposed high school athletic league will have the following divisions in the state:

Columbia league—The Dalles, Forest Grove, Astoria, Oregon City, Vancouver and Tillamook.

Willamette league—Albany, Newberg, Eugene, Salem, Corvallis, McMinnville, Amity, Mill City, Union, Woodburn Hillsboro and Jefferson.

South—Klamath Falls, Grants Pass, Ashland, Roseburg, Medford and Oakland.

East—Baker, Lostine, Elgin, Pendleton, La Grande, Wallows.

Cecil a Make-up Artist.

Edwin Cecil, who will be seen in the William Fox screen drama, "The Love Thief," will be at the Rolfe, Friday. He will be remembered for his excellent work as an Englishman in a former Fox picture, "The Beast."

In the latter photoplay, Cecil wore monocle and large drooping mustache. His legs were encased in knickerbockers and his hands in gloves. In the newer production, he takes the part of a Mexican who has designs upon the wedding finger of an American girl.

To make up for this part, Mr. Cecil fashioned a heavy, black pointed beard, darkened his face and donned greaser costume. It is not next to impossible to recognize the Southern revolutionist as the man who portrayed the English peer of "The Beast" It is impossible.

ASH WEDNESDAY OBSERVED TODAY AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Lenten Season Upheld in and Extends Until Easter Sunday.

Today is Ash Wednesday, which marks the opening of the Lenten season and the beginning of the 40 days fast. The occasion was observed at a special service held at 9 a.m. today at St. Mary's Church. At this service the ashes were blessed and laid on the forehead of each member, while the scripture words were spoken over each one: "Remember that thou art dust and into dust thou shalt return."

A service will be held this evening at 7:30 at which a series of sermons will be begun on Penance. There will be services on all Wednesday, Friday and Sunday evenings at 7:30.

The course of sermons on Sunday evenings will deal with the history of Christ's passion and death. They will be followed by reading of epistle and gospel selections for each day.

The social season will close entirely for all members of the church. They must abstain from all amusements of a public character such as dances, theatre parties, banquets and the like and must occupy themselves with prayer, with the pious meditation of Christ's passion, with alms giving and fasting. The Lenten season extends until the 8th of April, Easter Sunday.

HIGH FOOD PRICES IN N. Y. CAUSE TROUBLE

Women Continue to Besiege Mayor, Who Promises to Help Them.

(By United Press)

New York, Feb. 21.—Mayor Mitchell promised to do everything possible to stop the high food prices. Women visited the mayor demanding action and threatened to starve on city hall steps unless relieved.

Sweet Marie Ganz led fifty to the city hall at noon. She demanded to see the mayor. One hundred women appeared shortly afterward demanding to see the mayor. Seven representatives of the mothers anti-high price league appeared carrying a resolution from the farmer hall mass meeting last night. The mayor recessed the small committee and made a promise.

MORE SHOULDER CHIPS

(By United Press)

New York, Feb. 21.—The thirteen thousand ton freighter, American line, Mongosa, sailed for London and the American Merchantman, Algonquin followed closely. These are the first United States vessels to leave New York enroute to London since the submarine warning. They painted their regular colors, names and registries on both sides in huge letters.

SUBMARINES ARE GREAT MENACE

England Admits It, But Reports Developments to Meet the Attack.

STATISTICS ON RUNNING OF THE BLOCKADE

Germans Claim British Commerce Has Been Reduced Fifty Per Cent.

(By United Press)

London, Feb. 21.—Sir Edward Carson first Lord of the admiralty presented the common new naval estimates. He asks for four hundred thousand additional sailors on account of naval expansion. He said, "submarine menace is grave and serious. It is still growing and is not yet solved. I am confident that measures now being developed will gradually mitigate the seriousness." He announced that Lord Fisher former first sea Lord has rejoined the admiralty staff as president of the inventions board. He explained the inventions of the board is a unit of the anti-submarine department. He said that during the first eighteen days of unrestricted submarine six thousand seventy six vessels entered the united kingdom ports and 5673 departed. An order in council was issued providing that all vessels enroute to enemy ports must enter allied ports and submit to an examination, otherwise they are liable to be captured. He explained that Germany's blockade caused the order. Lord Carson congratulated the nation upon having Lord Jellicoe as first sea Lord.

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CHARLES STOKES DIED YESTERDAY AT ASHLAND

Word was received here today that Charles Stokes died in Ashland and that his body would arrive in this city tomorrow morning. It will be in charge of the Fisher-Braden Co., and it is thought that the funeral will be held from the Christian Church in the afternoon. No definite announcement has been given out yet.

Mr. Stokes has been visiting his son, Herman Stokes, in Ashland, and was taken ill there. He was 60 years old.

ERRONEOUS IMPRESSION GIVEN IN WEATHER REPORT

Forecaster Leaves Idea That 1916 Was Disastrous For All Farm Crops.

To an easterner reading the annual report of Edward A. Beals, district weather forecaster, the past year would seem to have been a most disastrous one in the Willamette Valley from an agricultural standpoint. The opening sentence of his report is misleading to one not acquainted with the facts. He says, "On the whole the year was unfavorable for agriculture. This was largely on account of too much rain and cold weather during the spring and summer months."

The fact of the matter is that there was an excess of rain last year, about 47.4 inches, which was 4.75 inches more than the average for the 39 years that the record has been kept at the local office.

But, while January and February were very bad months with much rain and snow, and that there were some light frosts in May and rains in July which spoiled many cherries and other fruits, the year as a whole was good; the best ever, in fact, and all the farmers are more prosperous than they ever have been.

The peach crop was a wonder. Apples were fine, pears suffered, the crop was short in the valley, but there were plenty of strawberries, logan berries, blackberries, prunes and other small fruits. A great deal of hay was spoiled by the rains coming before it was cured and hauled from the fields, but this amount was comparatively negligible. Clover was the chief sufferer.

But the main crops that the farmer depends upon were good. The year was ideal for grain growing. There was plenty of moisture at the right time, and the harvest season was long and dry, with hardly more than two days of moisture in the whole time. The stores are showing the result of that "unfavorable year" and the auto dealers give evidence that something is wrong by not being able to get the cars to supply the demand. W. W. Crawford, local dealer for the Ford, stated this week that if he could get 60 cars at once he could place every one before the week were out. The demand exceeds the supply. Yes, Mr. Beals, this was a bad year, very bad in 1916, judging from the prosperity hereabouts.

CITY NEWS

Miss Tarbell at Eugene.—Miss Ida M. Tarbell, one of the country's most noted writers, will speak at Eugene next Tuesday night. She is a very forceful writer and is said to be a good speaker. Among other events in her life, Miss Tarbell supported President Wilson in the November election.

Went To Ohio.—E. B. Brenneman left this morning for Canton, Ohio, where he will visit his brother.

White Elephant Coming.—The boys of the intermediate department of the U. P. S. S. tomorrow night will give a ten cent white elephant sale after the weekly prayer meeting. Articles that are white elephants, around ones home are to be sold for ten cents.

Sent To Poor Farm.—On Monday of this week county Judge D. B. McKnight committed to the county farm an aged man who applied for admission. He came here from Michigan and was in extreme need of care and attention. Another example of youth failing to provide for age while in the spring of life. Moral—Start a bank account—keep at it. Or buy life insurance.

Churchmen Clean House.—Last evening the men members of the Christian Church rolled up their sleeves and pitched into a house cleaning job. The carpets were taken up and cleaned by vacuum cleaners, the church was dusted and accumulated dirt removed in general. Before starting work the members enjoyed a social feed at 6:30. The entire evening from banquet to brooms was greatly enjoyed and those participating feel paid for their efforts.

Returned From Grant Pass.—Mrs. W. A. Kinsey is home from Grants Pass, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Herman Schmitt.

RURAL CREDIT LAW EFFECTIVE

Clerk of State Land Board Directed to Prepare Blanks at Once.

THOUGHT MILLION AND HALF BONDS WILL BE SOLD

State Will Purchase \$50,000 Bonds With Industrial Trust Funds.

(By United Press)

Salem, Feb. 21.—The State Land Board directed the clerk, E. G. Brown to immediately prepare the rural Credits Loan application blanks and send them to the state Land Board attorneys in every county in the State.

State treasurer Kay estimated that one million and a half dollars worth of rural credit bonds will be sold the first year, making that sum available for farmers.

The State plans to purchase the first issue of fifty thousand dollar five year bonds, using the state industrial accident trust for it. Within ten days fifty thousand dollars will be available for loaning farmers at five per cent interest, under the rural credits law provisions.

To Visit Factory

Tomorrow afternoon members of the commercial club will visit the furniture factory and observe the great progress being made. Three cars of furniture are being packed for shipment, this week, highclass goods.

Know Six Wild Cats

Frank Davis, of Sweet Home, came to town this morning with 6 wild cat skins on which county clerk R. M. Russell paid him \$12 bounty.

Mrs. Fred Newton, of Portland, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Sox.

Lewis De Witt and wife left yesterday for Alfred, N. Dakota, to visit at the home of Mr. De Witt's parents.

COLLAR BONE BROKEN WHEN TEAM RAN AWAY

Dan Brenneman sustained a broken collar bone in a run away this afternoon. He was taken to the office of Dr. W. H. Davis and the wound cared for.

This afternoon Brenneman started for his home in a buggy driving a young horse. When at the turn at Jeff Isom's corner in Sunrise, a pig ran out from the fence and scared the horse. It started to run and the buggy hit a telephone pole, breaking the buggy. Brenneman returned to his home, hitched the colt with another horse to a wagon and started out again. When at the same point the colt, remembering the first fright, started to run. The horse finally broke loose from the wagon, pulling Brenneman out over the dash board and breaking his collar bone and bruising him up.

JITNEY AND TAXI HAVE DAMAGING COLLISION

That the snow that falls in the Willamette Valley is not good for anything is the opinion of both Jay Miller, who drives a Woodworth jitney and Wayne Long, who operates one of Clark Price's taxi cabs. This conclusion is based on the fact that their wind shields become so thickly coated with the white, soggy sleet that neither could see plainly, with the result that they collided at the corner of Sixth and Montgomery Streets last evening.

Miller was running west on Sixth and Long was traveling north on Montgomery. Miller's car struck the taxi in the middle, and both autos were badly damaged.



Beautiful Pauline Frederick, who will be seen at the Globe tonight in "Ashes of Embers."