

BAKER REPLIES TO CHAMBERLAIN

Army Sent to France Before Guns Ready in Response to Direct Appeal From Allies.

GENERAL WOOD RECOMMENDED THE PLAN

Several Times More Men in France Than First Planned; 1,500,000 Ready to Go.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—Baker said that the United States had more than a half a million men in France early this year and that over a million and a half are now ready to send.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—Secretary Baker, appearing before the senate military affairs committee in his reply to the Chamberlain charges, eulogized the officers and civilian helpers in the war department for their splendid work.

"I am not here to defend myself, to deny mistakes, or that false starts were made. The impression now exists abroad that the department has fallen down, and the country is entitled to know whether that is a fact."

Secretary Baker declared that every man in the 12 national guard army camps is now ready to go to France whenever needed. He testified that the laxity in the medical service at the camps will not be tolerated.

General Pershing himself endorsed the adoption of the Enfield rifle and at the request of General Wood, the army was called before the guns were ready, holding that they needed other training first.

The Lewis gun for land work. One hundred and forty machine-guns were sent to each camp and cantonment in November. Twenty-three hundred three-inch anti-aircraft guns will be produced here monthly within a year.

Official reports say that camp hospitals are all in splendid shape now and many equal to the civilian hospitals.

SARGENT RESIGNS STATE POSITION

SALEM, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—S. G. Sargent, state superintendent of banks, resigned today to become examiner of the federal reserve bank at San Francisco.

"DOUBLE TROUBLE" IS GLOBE FEATURE TODAY

Right on the heels of a successful engagement last week, Douglas Fairbanks returns to the Globe tonight in "Double Trouble," another of his laugh producing plays. Fairbanks is too well known to need introduction to Albany people, and no actor is more popular with local fans than this agile screen artist.

An excellent bill is due tomorrow, presenting Gladys Joban, the captivating little cellist who won favor here two years ago, and others in a musical and moving picture offering. The pictures present life in Alaska.

ALBANY CITIZENS DISCOVER MEANEST MAN ON COAST

Head of Relief Expedition to Hornbrook Fails to Return; "Stung Again" Is Verdict.

After meeting every Northbound Southern Pacific train for more than two weeks, several careworn and thirsty denizens of Albany have reached the unanimous conclusion that they have discovered the meanest man on the Pacific Coast.

This is the way the story comes to the Democrat over its leased grapevine service:

With their tongues hanging out and an insatiable desire for one shot of perfectly good Bourbon, several of the "laid-out" held a called meeting at a place which is unknown to the writer. It was finally agreed to send a representative to an oasis which is located in the town of Hornbrook, California, and between \$200 and \$300 was raised for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the trip and filling the lara from the waters of that well known and popular resort.

CITY NEWS

Services at Mennonite Church.—Services will be conducted every evening at 7 p. m. and every morning at 11 a. m. at the Mennonite church, during the present week, by Rev. Sanford Yoder of Iowa.

Honor Guard Meets Tonight.—A meeting of the Honor Guard girls is called at the library tonight at 7:15.

Received Letters From Sons.—W. S. Hart and Judge C. H. Stewart, whose sons, Scott Hart and Ralph (Bud) Stewart, are with the American Expeditionary Forces, have received letters announcing the safe arrival of the regiment in France. They state that the trip was uneventful and that all members of the troop are in good health.

W. C. T. U. Meeting.—The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. L. E. Hain Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. All members requested to be present.

Returns to Dever Farm.—R. A. Marsh was a passenger on the morning electric for his farm near Dever.

Move to Portland.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ray and son left yesterday for Portland, where they will reside. Mr. Ray is employed in a Limton shipyard.

Goes to Kings Valley.—D. M. Glass left this morning for a few days' stay on his ranch in Kings Valley.

Passed Through.—J. C. Cutrell of the Bible University of Eugene passed through Albany this morning on his way home from Lebanon, where he attended the Christian Endeavor Rally.

Corvallis People Here.—J. W. Ball and son, C. G. Ball, of Corvallis, came over this morning to transact some business here.

Went to Portland.—M. Summerfield left this morning for Portland on a business trip.

On Way to Portland.—C. F. Swander of Portland was in Albany a few hours this morning on his way home from Lebanon, where he attended a Christian Endeavor Rally.

Returned Home.—Mrs. H. N. Wallace and little son returned to their home at Estacada this morning after a visit at the home of B. M. Payne.

Here From Philomath.—Clarence Post of Philomath visited friends here yesterday.

On Business Trip.—John Marquis left this morning for Camas, Wash., on a business trip.

Here From Harrisburg.—Mrs. Katie Maurer of Harrisburg came down this morning to visit her sister, Mrs. Oliver Schmucker. Chimney Burns Out.—The fire department was called out this afternoon to the Ed Dorgan residence in West Albany. A chimney burned out and the department was called as a precautionary measure. A false alarm was turned in yesterday afternoon.

GERMAN PAPERS DENOUNCE CZERNIN

Annexation Press of Germany Charge Understanding Between Wilson and Austria.

AUSTRIANS UPHOLD HANDS OF THEIR PREMIER

German Labor Prepares to Demand Shorter Hours and More Pay For Work.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—German annexation newspapers out-did themselves denouncing Czernin's limited negotiations with Wilson. One charged that he sent Wilson the text before delivering the address. Several openly said they mistrust him.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The outline of the revolutionary demands that German labor will present to the Kaiser has been received.

It provides for eight hour days and six-day weeks, prohibits no vitally necessary Sunday and night work, provides rest of a day for Sunday workers, eight hours and five-day weeks for women, and prohibits their employment nights or Sundays. It prohibits the employment of children under 15 and places the enforcement of labor laws in the hands of inspectors whom the laborers may choose. The right to strike is unrestricted. The appointment of a ministry of workers and other social legislation is urged.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 28.—Vienna reports that the Reichsrat foreign committee voted confidence in Czernin and made an open demand that the Germans revolt against socialism and "save themselves."

A reference to the Kaiser as "Germany's hangman," was contained in copies of the Deutsche Tages Zeitung, a Junker, pan-German organ. Replying to criticisms of the court preacher on his birthday, the Kaiser expressed thankfulness for "God's great deeds for the German people." He gave our colors historical successes.

U. S. PATROL BOAT ON ROCKS IN FOG

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—Sec. Daniels announced that an American patrol boat operating in European waters struck a rock in a fog Friday. The vessel will probably have to be abandoned. There were no casualties.

HALSEY TEACHER LEAVES TO ESCAPE NEIGHBOR GOSSIPS

The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Miss Mignon Swanson, the pretty teacher at School District 30, near Halsey, has been cleared up. Miss Swanson has been located at the Herfords Residential Hotel, 735 Hoyt street, Portland, where she is waiting on table and earning money with which to put herself through school and fit herself to take the civil service examinations for a government position.

Miss Swanson left the home of Harvey Frim, with whom she boarded, one mile East of Halsey, Friday night, Jan. 18. She bought a round trip ticket to Shedd, apparently to visit her sister, Mrs. Ed Nitzel, but, without telling anyone of her intentions, she went to Portland, applied at the employment office for work, secured a teacher to take her place, and went to work.

No other word was heard from her until Saturday when Mr. Frim received a letter asking that her trunk be sent to 735 Hoyt street. It was not known whether the letter was in her writing or not and further investigation was had. Mrs. Lola Baldwin, of the women's protective division, of the Portland police force, called on the girl and found that all was well.

Miss Swanson said that she ran away from her school to escape the gossip and talk that was going around about her and which she could no longer stand.

"WOMANHOOD" SPLENDID WAR PLAY AT ROLFE TONIGHT

Spectacular Production Depicts America's Plight and Gives Pretty Love Story.

One of the screen's greatest dramas will be presented at the Rolfe Theatre tonight and Tuesday when J. Stuart Blackton and Cyrus Townsend Lord's wonderful war story, "Womanhood, the Glory of the Nation," will be shown. After a successful run of nearly a year, "Womanhood" still holds sway as one of the greatest war pictures of the day, and it has been witnessed by millions of people all over the country.

In addition to this feature, the last installment of "The Retreat of the Germans at the Battle of Arras" will be shown. This series has been followed with interest by a large number of people and many will regret that this realistic, true to life presentation of conditions along the battle front is about to end.

The story of "Womanhood" follows: Mary Ward, a brilliant American girl, is guest of honor at a farewell ball in Ruritania. This is a country in which the de facto ruler, Marshal Prince Dario, holds sway. His son, Count Dario, is very young and susceptible and he falls sincerely in love with Mary.

He proposes to Mary, who almost accept him. She tells him if he is in earnest to come to America for her answer. He makes the significant comment that he may be in America sooner than she expects.

With the strongest fighting machine in the world, a depleted treasury and a revolution pending another tax burden, the leaders in the Ruritanian council point to America—peace loving, rich and unprotected—as the one object of their salvation. A pretext is easily found to precipitate hostilities.

The full horror of a hopeless conflict marks the first stages of the war. Churches, mills and homes are destroyed and the helpless and homeless are subjected to frightful persecution, while America's untrained soldiers are slain by the thousands.

Mary's position at the Ruritanian headquarters, from which she is in secret communication with the American camp beyond the city, becomes precarious when she slips through the lines to attend the meetings of the patriotic defenders.

After one of her narrow escapes, Paul Strong boldly makes his way into the midst of the enemy council and delivers America's final challenge. He is mocked and Mary, at the same time, is confronted with evidence of her espionage. Both are condemned to be shot. But America is ready at last, Paul demonstrates it by an object lesson that quickly secures for him and Mary safe conduct back to their lines.

The concentration of resources and highly trained patriotism now makes good in the final test. There is a great battle on land and sea in which the enemy is annihilated, America emerges once more—a nation strong and triumphant.

LINN HAS 514 MEN IN CLASS 1 TO DATE

Up to the present 514 men have been classified in Class I, 83 in Class II; 56 in class III; 486 in Class IV and 171 in Class V. There are 485 questionnaires still at Eugene.

Today between 25 and 30 men are being examined for physical qualifications. Following are those examined Saturday: Fred Martin Curry, Wm. Wilson Hays, Richard D. Everett, Edward A. Kackley, Guy Funk, Roy W. Rasmussen, Wilfred Cochran, Willard Cochran, Henry A. Hardesty, Jesse Leonard Bonwell, Ernest Louis Ochoad, Samuel H. Erwin, Iavern Smith, Wilbur R. Devine, Jerry Ageris, Everett E. Payne, Allen G. McQueen, Jas. C. Godwin, Ray Reallo Wallace, Frank Bishop, Merrill G. Tyer.

Sells Many Cars.—Waldo Anderson & Son report the sale of the following cars in the past few days: Frank Cameron, Holley truck; A. C. Bemis, Albany; H. M. Crandall, Albany; Wm. M. Anderson, Plainview; J. W. Steele, Sverer; all Maxwells. A carload of Maxwells is due this week. The firm has sold 46 cars already this year, which is their allotment, and they expect to sell 150 cars for the season. During the last year 130 cars have been sold.

PACKERS UNMASKED IN INVESTIGATION

Henry Shows That Territory Divided Among "Big Five" to Hold Down Prices.

EVERY MARKET CONTROLLED BY ORGANIZATION

Only Limited Number of Buyers Allowed to Purchase in the Great Markets.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—That a buying combine including a membership in the "Big Five" packers was so perfect that livestock prices were controlled in every market, was revealed in the trade commission's packer probe.

Henry disclosed that the packers for the last three years divided all the great markets so that only five members of the combine could engage in buying at Chicago and Kansas City.

FIREMEN URGE ATTENDANCE AT TONIGHT'S MEETING

Every business man in the city, or some representative of his store, shop or factory, is requested to be at the get-together meeting of the Albany Fire Department, which will be held this evening immediately after the Home Guard drill at the armory.

Fire Chief W. A. Eastburn, Conrad Meyer, president of the Volunteer Firemen's association, and others interested in the protection of the city's property, are working hard trying to bring up the membership of the organization to a state of efficiency and urge that every merchant, or other property owner in the city, give liberal support to the work.

Conrad Meyer and Asa Eastburn one day last week made a tour of the city and secured 19 new members, but many more are needed. Until a larger enrollment is secured there will be no election of officers.

FULTON FUNERAL WILL BE HELD TOMORROW

PORTLAND, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—The funeral of ex-Senator Fulton will be held at his residence tomorrow. Burial will be made at Astoria Wednesday, the Elks conducting the grave service.

FINE INSTITUTE HELD AT LACOMB SATURDAY

One of the best parent-teacher association meetings held in Linn county in the past year took place Saturday at Lacombe when six schools combined in a joint program and conducted over 300 were present at the all-day meeting and all enjoyed the occasion.

Talks were made by A. I. O'Reilly and Prof. J. B. Horner, of O. A. C., the latter of whom gave an illustrated lecture on Oregon history. County School Supt. Cummings spoke on school work.

The schools represented were Districts 73, Lacombe, L. H. Giel, teacher; 103, Green Mountain, H. S. Nolan, teacher; 98, Bergen, Miss Beulah Selling, teacher; 96, Salt Lake, Miss Edith Howley, teacher; 122, Mount Pleasant, Miss Mary Jacobs, teacher; 1, Garner, I. G. McCloud, teacher. First prize was won by Mr. Pleasant for presenting the best program; second prize by Lacombe, and third by Green Mountain school. Mr. O'Reilly gave a talk on organizing industrial clubs and considerable interest was aroused. At Lebanon Friday Mr. O'Reilly secured the promise of the First National bank to finance any boy or girl who will go into the pig business. The bank will loan each child \$50 at six per cent interest and do all in its power to encourage the industry. Next Saturday a local institute will be held at Scio, at which time Prof. J. B. Horner will give another lecture. Mr. O'Reilly will talk club work and City School Superintendents C. W. Roetticher, of Albany, and T. M. Nash, of Harrisburg, will also take part.

NEW OFFICERS OF GRAND PRAIRIE ARE INSTALLED

Nearly One Hundred Witness Ceremony and Hear Program Presented at Session.

Nearly 100 members were present at the all-day session of Grand Prairie Grange Saturday when Hon. H. G. Starkweather formally installed the newly elected officers of the organization.

After a splendid program dinner at noon the following program was presented:

Song, "Red, White and Blue"; patriotic song by the grange, salutatory, C. L. Shaw; vocal solo, Mrs. S. A. Lasselle; talk, W. H. Hornbrook; instrumental music, Miss Muriel Blume; talk, Mr. H. G. Starkweather; instrumental music, Mrs. S. A. Lasselle; remarks by chaplain.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Train and Hub Bryant were also called upon and made remarks appropriate to the occasion. Mrs. Train was at one time secretary of the State Grange, and both Mr. and Mrs. Train and Mr. Bryant are old-time members of the organization.

The following officers were installed: Master, C. L. Shaw; overseer, H. J. McInnis; lecturer, Mrs. Fannie Combs; steward, Leslie Cade; assistant steward, John Marquis; chaplain, Ina Marquis; treasurer, A. R. McCall; secretary, Winnie Cade; gate keeper, E. M. Combs; Ceres, Alice McInnis; Pomona, Vera Combs; Flora, Harriett Markham; lady assistant steward, Golda Combs.

PATROLS CLASH ON THE WEST FRONT

LONDON, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—There is severe disturbance in the Rhinish industrial district, according to Netherlands advisers. It is reported that machine-guns were distributed to troops at Muelpeit, but there are no details. The enemy raided a British advance post northeast of Lanagemark and three Britishers are missing. Hostile artillery is in progress southwest of Cambrai, north of Lens and in the Passchendaele sector. Hostile reconnoiterers around Leveger were dispersed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—General Pershing reported three deaths from natural causes, including Private Hubert Roberts of Warren, Oregon.

CITY NEWS

Visiting at Newman's.—Mrs. Barkley, of Pioneer, Ohio, widow of the late Bishop Henry L. Barkley, and Mrs. F. K. Northrup, of Portland are guests at the home of Mrs. J. W. Newman.

Returned From Monterey.—Mrs. Charles H. Gould, who has been with her husband at the Presidio at Monterey, Cal., has returned to this city. Mr. Gould, who is with the telephone company of the U. S. signal corps, is now on his way to the Atlantic coast with that organization.

Fair Oaks Tea.—The Ladies of Fair Oaks Circle, G. A. R., will give a silver tea Tuesday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock at the G. A. R. hall in honor of the birthday of the late President William McKinley. Light refreshments will be served and a program presented. Ladies are asked to bring flannel pieces with which to make gun wipes for the Red Cross. The public is invited.

Interest in Lobby Display.—Manager Everett Cummings has placed an attractive display in the lobby of the Rolfe Theatre in connection with the showing of "Womanhood, the Glory of the Nation," which opens at that place this evening. Fifty-four rifles of various makes and ages, and 48 revolvers, together with a number of American flags, bunting, etc., give quite a patriotic air to the place. The guns are from the collection of E. P. Anthony.

Liberty Bond Investors.—The secretary of the treasury, Hon. William G. McAdoo, has today issued a statement cautioning investors of Liberty Loan bonds against exchanging for unknown securities the bonds which they may have purchased, and advising permanent holding of Liberty Bonds.

Local Man Is Translator.—In the February issue of the Overland Monthly, just received here, is a translation of the "French poem," "Els Comte de Lisle," by Dr. M. H. Ellis of this city. The poem, which announces a name, is given the title, "Heart of Hillmer," and is a beautiful piece of literature. The translation in verse is excellent and reflects credit upon Dr. Ellis as a translator.

Mariage License.—License to wed was issued this morning to Jasper I. Russell, 22, and Hazel Yost, 21, of Foster.

ROUND-UP DEPENDS UPON THE DEMAND

President Newport States That Show Will Be Held If People Want It.

RECOMMENDS HOLDING IT IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR

Show, If Held, Will Be Best of Kind Ever Held West of Cascade Mts.

Round-Up or no Round-Up for 1918—that is the question. President Roy Newport of the Round-Up association states that the matter is squarely up to the people of Albany and vicinity, and that it is for them to say what shall be done. If a Round-Up is demanded it will be put on. If there is no strong demand for a gala week in Albany and three days of fine sport, it will go glimmering and devotes of the art of bucking the bronchos and throwing the bull will have to pay the price of a trip to Pendleton or Ashland to get their fill.

Moreover, President Newport states that if the show is to be held, the fall is the time to hold it. Ashland rightly has a hold on the Fourth of July, having had that date first, and for two shows on the same date to compete in Oregon means that both suffer for want of talent. So it is suggested that the event be switched again to October. This will mean more and better talent, bigger crowds, although Albany had than she could handle last year; and a bigger and better show in general. Mr. Newport has kept in close touch with the Round-Up and wild west situation all year and has his hand on the pulse of the institution. If it is decided to put on the show, Albany will see the greatest reproduction of life on the ranges that has ever been staged west of the Cascades any place on the coast.

While the war has taken many of the boys of former shows to France in various cavalry divisions, there are many star performers still in the West, and a large number of them have signified their desire to come to Albany this year. The show will be competitive, the local men managing the affair throughout. Prizes will be offered for the best performances in each event and liberal amounts of money will be given. The meets will be capably judged and honestly managed.

"But," said President Newport, "it is up to the people, and if we get enough encouragement we will put on the show."

CITY NEWS

Went to Portland.—Mrs. H. C. Radeker went to Portland this morning for a couple of weeks' visit.

NEW CLASSIFIED

GOING TO MOVE?—Let us pack and ship your furniture. We pack everything. Articles you don't want, taken in exchange. Bartcher's, 415 West First St. Both phones. j28  
LOST—Large old fashioned cameo brooch, between First street and 521 Montgomery street. Reward for return. j28-30  
GIRL WANTED—For general house work. 114 Washington street. Home phone 4252. j28-30  
FOR RENT—Light housekeeping rooms on the ground floor. Call at 630 West Seventh. j2813  
FURNITURE REPAIRING—Up-holstering and refinishing. Mattresses made over, at Bartcher's, 415 W. 1st street. Both phones. j28  
STRIKE STILL ON IN PAPER MILLS—but we have no trouble and State Police have charge and under control. All inside positions are filled today and over 800 men on payroll, but we can use 20 to 25 men yet on outside work on construction and in yard. If you are of average ability, you can secure a start with good chances of advancement, for men for inside work will be recruited from outside crews. Wages \$3.10 for nine hours and raincoats supplied in wet weather. West Linn is just across the river from Oregon City, 40 minutes streetcar ride from Portland, 20c fare. Board and room available in Oregon City at \$6 to \$7 week. Write Crown Willamette Paper Company or apply at Employment Office, West Linn, on mill walk. Cut this advertisement out and bring with you. j2812  
LOST—Friday near Albany, one Buick tail light. Call Home phone 4355. Geo. Newman. j28-30