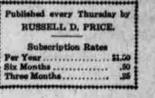
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WORLD'S DOINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

## **Brief Resume of General News** From All Around the Earth.

Live News. Items of All Nations and Pacific Northwest Condensed for Our Busy Readers.

Oregon Hopgrowers association report selling 3000 bales of hops.

A new Oregon Republican club is organized in Portland with 500 members.

A total of eleven lives were lost during recent severe storms in Southern California.

Berlin announces that superior Rus-sian forces were repulsed in hand-to-hand fighting in the Bessarabian frontier trenches.

Promises that the English conscription measure will be enforced without severity, brings loud applause in the house of commons.

War issues cause hot debate in the toward neutral shipping.

A British submarine has gone ashore off Holland, according to an announce-ment made by the official press bureau. There was no loss of life.

Roosevelt wants immediate action in construction of half a dozen "formidable fighting ships," adeqate army and universal military service.

A wealthy Spokane realty dealer was found guilty of selling intoxicants in violation of the liquor law and was fined \$250 and ten days in jail.

The Greek king is bitter toward the entente powers for attempting to force his country into the war. He declares the neutrality of his country was violated like that of Belgium.

The house committee favorably re-

CALLS FOR DEFENSE Washington, D. C .-- A measure proposing a high graduated tax on the incomes of American expatriates, derived from their American properties, will be introduced in the senate by Dr. Morrison, Episcopalian, Has Senator Kenyon of Iowa.

BIG TAX PROPOSED ON EXPATRIATES; IMMIGRATION BILL LIMITS JAPANESE PORTLAND RECTOR

The Kenyon bill would place an an-nual tax of practically 30 per cent on the incomes of the wealthier expatri-ates. Also it would make dowers giv-UNIVERSAL HAPPENINGS IN A NUTSHELL en to American girls who marry titled foreigners a source of considerable revenue to the United States government. With the steady augmentation of American fortunes aboard as a result of the expatriation of thousands of

rich Americans, chiefly heireases, the movement in Tavor of imposing heavy taxes on incomes thus derived from the United States has gained much strength in congress.

Drastic restrictions would be thrown about the immigration of Janpanese in to the United States and both Hindus and Chinese virtually would be barred from the country by a provision that has been written into the immigration bill to be reported to the house this week by the immigration committee.

As agreed on tentatively by the committee, the exclusion section of the bill includes a paragraph barring "Hindus and all persons of the Mon-golian or yellow race and the Malay or brown race."

Representative Wilson, of Illinois, has introduced a bill requiring the Oregon & Cailfornia Railroad com-

pany, on demand of settlers, to sell the unsold portion of its grant in quartersenate, Hoke Smith leading in a severe section tracts at \$2.50 an acre, giving arraignment of England's attitude preference right of purchase to first appplicants and to applicants who have been erroneously located and who heretofore have sought to buy not more than 160 acres.

The bill as introduced was prepared by the National Information Bureau and is intended to protect the interests of thousands of applicants who have tendered the purchase price to the rail-road company, but have been unable to acquire title because of the railroad's refusal to sell.

# Mother of Four Children Wins

## 1916 Rose Festival Slogan Contest

Portland, Ore .- "For You a Rose in Portland Grows" is the slogan that will advertise the 1916 Rose festival. The author is Bertha Slater Smith,

No Use for Pacificist.

CHRIST'S NON-RESISTANCE IS DENIED Mother Who Would Keep Her Sons

From Enlisting Declared to Be "Disgrace to Nation."

The finger of shame was pointed from the pupit of the Portland Trinity Episcopal church Sunday morning at the mother whose love for her son rises above that for her nation

The mothers and "peace at any price" advocates were denounced as a "disgrace to the nation," and an appeal, based on the teachings of Christ, for proper national armaments, was sent forth by Dr. A. A. Morrison, rec-tor of that church, in what was considered perhaps the strongest sermon in defense of preparedness ever deliv-

ered from any pulpit in Portland. After the sermon members of the congregation rushed forward to congratulate the pastor.

"I cannot understand these individuals who cry even from the pulpits 'peace at any price,' "he told them. "I wonder what they would do, if some one in the night should by force steal away their wife and daughter. Would they run after them with their

theory of love? Of course not." The teaching of Christ, he declared in answer to those peace advocates who base their theories on the Bible, is not against preparedness. And he cited Christ's scourging of the money changers in the temple, his chastise-ment of the Scribes and Pharisees and his advice to sacrifice one's life for a friend.

"A misapprehension exists," he de-clared, "over the phrase called 'Christian teaching.' There are those advocating peace under any and all

circumstances who assert that Jesus taught a doctrine of non-resistance; a the use of force in education or as a

Washington, D. C.—President Wil-son is planning to assume personal leadership in the fight for a stronger army and navy. So many reports have reached him of confusion over the Major-Generals Bliss and Scott issue before congress and of the uncer-tainty of the outcome, that he has determined not only to go before the country in public address, but to con-fer further on the subject with leaders

FOR HIS PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

PRESIDENT WILSON TO CAMPAIGN

SPRAY, WHEELER COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1916.

Representative Hay and Representstive Padgett, chairmen of the house military and naval committees, respectively, have informed Mr. Wilson that it will be from two weeks to a month before the committees will be ready to report any army and navy appropriation bills. While this work

people and members of congress in favor of the plans drawn up by the war and navy departments. Friends of the President represent



William Alden Smith, United States senator from Michigan, has opened in doctrine which would utterly abrogate earnest his campaign for the Republican presidential nomination. Petitions been sent out to have his name

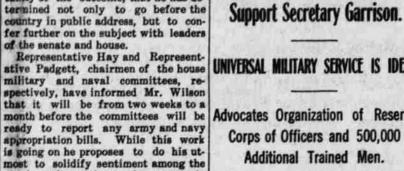


In the May and June Eighth grade examinations a new plan will be tried in testing the pupils in the subjects of U. S. History and Civil Government, according to a statement issued by State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. A. Churchill. During the UNIVERSAL MILITARY SERVICE IS IDEAL examination the pupils will be allowed to refer to their text books, but the questions will be so framed as to'test Advocates Organization of Reserve the ability of the pupil in expressing what he has learned in clear, concise language. The advantages of such a plan are, that it permits the teachers to emphasize the historical events which she considers most important; it gives the trained teacher greater freedom, so that she can do a much army plan before the senate military committee by Major General Scott and Major General Plice and Scott and Major General Bliss, respectively chief and assistant chief of staff of the army. Both amplified statements made on the subject last week before orizing of unimportant dates and facts.

"There is always danger," said Su-perintendent Churchill, "of the ex-amination system developing a ques-tion and answer method of teaching. Any plan whereby the examination bewar emergency. He advocated im-mediate organization of a reserve the examination usually deteriorates corps of officers actually commissioned and assigned to the posts they would the pupils' monthly tests, they will learn by the close of the year how to use the text as merely a reference work in writing their final papers. The questions will be so worded that it will be impossible for the pupil to copy any amonut from the text book, but he will find help by turning to it to refresh his memory on some point that has es-caped him just for the moment. When

caped him just for the moment. When writing an examinatoin a pupil often finds that he cannot recall the answer to a question. He is then liable to be come so nervous and frightened that he will fail in the entire examination. This is really the common-sense way to prepare a pupil for his work in the every day world, for if a man has to write an article or prepare a paper on write an article or prepare a paper on any subject, he does not attempt to depend upon his memory for the proof

which he wishes to use from various scources to substantiate his statements; rather, he has on his table a r of refe with the subject upon which writing. The eighth grade examinations, to a very large exent, set the standard of teaching, and I am very confident that this new plan will strengthen the work in the eighth grade and give the pupil war. The proposal to increase the regular army to 250,000 as suggested in Sen-ator Chamberlain's tentative bill, he added, was wholly inadequate by it-self. Moreover, he added, it was im-tent the eighth grade and give the pupil much more power and confidence than he gains from the memory tests. If his class standing has been high dur-ing the year and his English class work has been below par, the open book will be of no help to him during the short hour of his examination."



Washington, D. C .- Unqualified support was given Secretary Garrison's WILLIAM ALDEN SMITH

made on the subject last week before the house committee.

General Scott decarled the plan would save at least five months' time in building up an army of defense in a and assigned to the posts they would take in time of war. General Scott also urged that a quartermaster's re-serve corps of enlisted men be formed to include mechanics of all kinds, telegraphers, radio operators, motor ve-hicle drivers and experts, teamsters, railway men and the like. A repre-sentative of the American Legion, he said, had told him recently that \$15,000 men of this sort had been listed by the organization who were willing to enlist in such a corps.

list in such a corps. Both of the generals expressed the opinion that universal military service was the only "ideal democratic" meth-od of building an army, but thought the country would not tolerate the pro-posal now. General Bliss said it was only talked of by army officers as an evademic question on this account demic question on this account.

Discussing the details of the various bills under consideraion, General Bliss said that the measure proposed by the War department was the only one

either a volunteer or a regular.

Seattle millionaires whose resi dences were raided by the sheriff for violations of the Prohibition law, will turn against him by attacking his legal status as regards searching private residences.

General Luis Herrera, in supreme command of the Carranza forces at Chihuahua City, Mexico, late Friday night flatly denied the truth of the report of the capture of General Villa at the San Geronimo ranch.

An attack by the British with the use of smoke bombs on the German positions north of Frelinghein, in Northern France, is announced in an official statement by the German army headquarters. It is declared the attack was beaten off with heavy loss to the British.

The Mothers' Council, of Dallas, Tex., voted to submit bids for the bar privileges of the State Fair of Texas. Half a million persons visit the fair annually and the saloon man who gets the liquor selling right pays from \$3000 to \$5000. The Mothers' Council will raise a fund to buy the saloon right and publicly burn the contract, if their plans succeed.

Ford peace board is reported near complete disruption.

A 50 per cent dividend is declared by the Standard Oil company of California.

Lord Derby of England declares the British army is sufficient to win the war.

Floods in Southern California are continuing to do considerable damage to property.

Restoration of the Manchu dynasty, which ruled China before the establishment of the republic, has been proclaimed by the leaders of an uprising in Eastern Mongolia. A brigade of Chinese troops is marching on Huihuachen to attack the Mongolians.

Montenegro makes complete surrender to Austria who will have full supervision of that country.

A Polander was refused his naturalization papers when he declared he would not take up arms in defense of the United States.

into a concrete wall.

sion bill which grants, if passed, \$12 per month to every widow of a soldier the state's representative in the Unit Lasy he did no such thing " the state's representative in the Uni- I say he did no such thing."



ted States senate. Judge Woodson T. Slater, formerly on the Supreme bench in Oregon, is her brother. Mrs. Smith is the mother of four

children-two girls four years of age and fine looking twins. Mrs. Smith did not send her slogan to the festival headquarters until Saturday morning, January 15, the last day of the con-test. She is a native daughter and was born in La Grande.

Mrs. Smith received a check for \$25 from the festival board. It was presented by O. C. Bortzmeyer, secretary and S. C. Bratton, chairman of the publicity committee. Mrs. Smith was photographed as she mailed a letter to

President Wilson, in the huge mail box in Portland, a feature of letter writing week, inviting the nation's chief executive to visit Portland June 7, 8 and

9, and participate in the flesta, the national dedication of the great Columbia river highway. More than 300 cities and towns in Washington and Oregon were repreaented in the slogan contest by resi-dents of Idaho, Montana, British Co-lumbia, California and North Dakota, from former Oregon residents.

Grand Duchess to Wed.

Zurich, Via Paris - The Neue Zuricher Zeitung's Luxemburg correspondent announces that the marriage of Grand Duchess Marie of Luxemburg probably will take place shortly. Court officials of Luxemburg favor an Aus-Katherine Kelly, aged 10, and trian archduke. The duchess, for po-Gladys Edgerly, aged 9, of Seattle, were probably fatally injured when Prince or any of the Bourbon Princes

Avalanche of Snow and Earth

Hits Great Northern Train; 8 Dead

Seattle — Two cars of westbound Great Northern Cascade Limited train were swept from the track by an aval-Daniels and Garrison is the best which anche near Corea station Saturday morning, and were hurled 80 feet Plans for the analysis down the mountain side, causing death to four passengers, and four missing. Fifteen passengers were injured, none seriously except Earl Smith, of Spokane, a small boy.

The train was standing on the track near Corea, on the west slope of the Cascade mountains, when the avalanche struck it near the middle, a day coach and the diner going over the bank, while a sleeper behind them was toppled over on its side, where it hung in its perilous position over the bank,

but was not taken down. The dining car stopped when about half way down the slope and caught fire, being destroyed there.

The scene of the accident is but few miles east of the scene of a similar disaster of February 28, 1910, when two Great Northern trains were struck by snowslides and nearly all the persons on the trains perished.

### **Villa Sends Messenger to Deny** Implication in Killing of Americans

El Paso, Tex.-Tedeore Prieto, who says he is a major in the Villa army, appeared Monday and declared that he had been sent in disguise to the border by Gen. Villa to say that Villa had nohting to do with the massacre of 18 foreigners at Santa Ysabel January

"Villa did not know of the tragedy for days afterward," said Prieto. "He instructed me to say that he will

#### Wages 27 Per Cent Higher.

New York-One thousand and three hundred representative manufacturers in New York state, employing approx-

imately 500,000 persons, are paying an average of 27 per cent more in wages than a year ago, according to a report made public here by the bureau of statistics and information of the State Industrial commission. About 17 per

placed on the ballot for the Michigan presidential primary in April.

him as being undeterred by the open oppositin of former Secretary Bryan and other pacificists, and by differences among advocates of national de-

fense over the plans adopted. He is said to be firmly of the opinion that

Plans for the speaking trips will be prepared as quickly as possible. If necessary the President may change the White House social program map-ped out before Christmas.

Socialist Representative Is Loval **But Speaks Against Preparedness** 

Washington, D. C .- Every Socialist in the United States would defend this country if attacked by a foreign foe, Representative London, the only Socialist in congress, told the house

Wednesday in an address against preparedness.

The house shouted down attempts to limit London's time and spurred him on with question. His declaration that the Socialists would fight was that the Socialists would fight was greeted with thunderous applaues. Representative O'Shaughnessy, of Rhode Island, demanded of London what would be the attitude of the So-cialists in case the American flag was

attacked. "I desire to say that if the people of "I desire to say that if the people of the United States were attacked every Socialist would fight," London said. "What is the distinction between the flag and the people?" a dozen Rep-resentatives immediately asked, in as many different ways, while London remiled and feneration to place a negro they

smiled and fenced the question. "The people throb with life," he said, "while a flag is an emblem only. keeping. The negro disappeared while the Any lunatic from an insane asylum can

#### Rescuers at Ice Prison.

Roseburg, Or .- After a two days' trip through snow and ranging from three to eight feet deep the rescue lated on account of the recent storm, the McCallister family had sufficient fuel and food to last them for several they were thrown from their sled after coasting down a steep hill and crashed into a concrete wall. they were thrown a steep hill and crashed into a concrete wall. they were thrown from their sled after coasting down a steep hill and crashed into a concrete wall. they were thrown from their sled after coasting down a steep hill and crashed into a concrete wall. they were thrown from their sled after into a concrete wall. they were thrown from their sled after coasting down a steep hill and crashed into a concrete wall. they were thrown from their sled after into a concrete wall. they were thrown from their sled after into a concrete wall. they were thrown from their sled after into a concrete wall. they were thrown from their sled after into a concrete wall. they were thrown from the statistics show. they were thrown from the statistics into a concrete wall. they were thrown from the statistics into a concrete wall.

which appeared satisfactory or which seemed to contemplate a definite pol-

icy. The War college division of the General Staff, he said, has fixed 500,-000 men, more or less trained, as the irreducible minimum necessary for the country's safety in the first shock of

self. Moreover, he added, it was im-possible to recruit a larger force than 140,000 men, as proposed by Secre-tary Garrison for the regular army, without increasing pay or otherwise giving added inducement. He read a report from the adjutant general de-claring that it would be impossible to recuit even 200,000 men in peace times and that the arevage maximum force that could be maintained was only 122,000.

**Five Negroes Are Hanged From Limbs of One Tree in Georgia** 

hanging from a tree near Starkville,

brought with them in a cell for safe-

execute the men responsible, even if attack the flag and trample on it, but sheriff was being overpowered and they prove to be his own men, if they it is a vastly different thing for an at-are caught."

Blood Transfusion Urged.

Chicago-Confident that blood transapplied in cases of gas poisoning. Coroner Hoffman sent a letter to every party which left here Monday arrived oner Hoffman sent a letter to every at the tent cabin of A. J. McCallister hospital in Chicago giving instructions and family on the Coast mountains late as to the preservation of blood to be Wednesday. Although practically iso- used in life-saving work. He said he would provide blood containers for any hospital. Experiments indicate that blood can be safely kept 30 days. There

# SHORT COURSE IN SESSION

Corvallis-Many parts of Oregon are represented in the gathering of farmers and homemakers at the Agricultural college for the annual short course work which beagn last week. Unlike the work of Farmers' week the short course work is carried on with

Sylvester, Ga.—The death of five negroes, whose bullet-riddled bodies tends over a period of four weeks. were found early Saturday morning Much of the work is given as class and Ga., was held in a coroner's verdict to personal instruction through lectures, have been due to "strangulation and demonstrations and laboratory exer-

The negroes, accused of implication in the killing of Sheriff Moreland at Starkville, were taken from the jail with raising livestock and dairying,

permission to place a negro they made and more or less optional work taken, as in orcharding, where use can be made of the special facilities offered by the college in pruning or spraying or other specialty. By com-pleting the prescribed work in any of the foregoing courses, students may receive a certificate setting forth the work accomplished. Some of the

courses are progressive and require a fusion will save the lives of many if minimum of work in specified subjects as an entrance requirement. In addition to the work of the fore-

going courses a series of lectures on commercial and business subjects, on poultry, history, economics, zoology, chemistry, farm accounting, and highway construction, will be given throughout the four weeks. For fur-