

47 STUDENTS TO RECEIVE DIPLOMAS FRIDAY EVENING

Some interesting statistics relative to this year's graduating class have been compiled. There are forty-seven pupils who will receive their high school diplomas on the evening of May 28—sixteen boys and thirty-one girls. The average age of the class is approximately 18 1/2 years. The youngest member is 16 and the oldest 22 years.

But twenty-two of the forty-six are native Oregonians, six of the others being from Illinois, three from Indiana, two from Montana, two from Ohio, two from California and one each from Texas, North Dakota, Missouri, Washington, New Mexico, Iowa, Arkansas, New York, Minnesota and Oklahoma.

Thirty-eight of the forty-six have signified their intention to attend college, while a few of the remaining nine are uncertain. This is a remarkably high percentage and seems to indicate that the boys and girls of high school age are coming to a fuller appreciation of the value of a college training.

Ten will attend the University of Oregon, nine the Oregon Agricultural college, four the University of California, three Leland Stanford university, two Cornell university, while other schools mentioned are Salem college (Winston-Salem, N. C.), Mouth Normal, Pacific university, San Jose Normal, University of Washington and West Point.

In answer to the question, "What trade, profession or occupation do you expect to follow?" there were eleven who signified their intention to teach, three will follow agriculture, six engineering, while others mentioned art work, chemistry, law, medicine, banking and stenography. Thirteen have not as yet decided on any line of work. That thirty-three of the forty-seven have a more or less definite notion of what they expect to do in life shows that our high schools are offering courses that enable the pupil to discover his capabilities, so that when he enters college he usually does so with a clearly defined course in view.

Commencement exercises, which are free to the public, will be held at the Page theater next Friday evening, May 28, at 8 o'clock. Hon. B. F. Mulkey will deliver the address.

The class roll follows: Hazel Carnell, Olive Johnson, Florence Clark, Lucille York, Mabel Reeve, Maybelle Daniels, Edna Demmer, Jay Gore, Gertha Clark, Miles Gammill, Walter Brown, Dean Carder, Alice Becroft, Chester Baker, Earl Hubbard, Harold Grey, Ella Hawkins, Charles Ray, Nellie Corum, Clinton Purkeypie, Robert Pelouze, Margaret Soutter, James Vance, Glenn Stull, Claren Jaqua, Griffith Cowgill, Eva Osborne, Delie Whisenant, Leila McDougal, Fern Leever, Blanche Maule, Marion Bowen, Kathryn Swem, Mammie Leever, Ruth Daniels, Mildred Black, Edith Hoefs, Vera Merriman, Edna Gore, Dolph Phipps, Mabel Gould, Lucie Messner, Leah Walther, Marie Eifert, Marion Palmer, Jean Budge, Glenn Simmons.

ENVOYS AT ZURICH RETURNING HOME

ZURICH, Switzerland, May 26.—The Duke of Avarna, Italian ambassador at Vienna, Baron von Macchio, and Prince von Buelow, Austrian and German ambassadors to Italy, together with the staff of the Bavarian legation at Rome, all arrived here this afternoon. The Italian diplomat and his suite boarded the train which brought Baron von Macchio from Rome, and continued his journey, while Baron von Macchio went on to Vienna in the special which brought the Duke of Avarna to this city.

PROBE CONDITIONS IN PORTO RICO

WASHINGTON, May 26.—The Federal industrial relations commission, following the completion of its inquiry into the Colorado coal strike today examined several witnesses regarding labor conditions in Porto Rico and on miscellaneous subjects. Today's investigation marks the commission's final hearings and inquiries which have continued more than a year.

The commission will prepare a report to congress at a meeting in June about June 1.

WILL AUSTRIAN SUBMARINES ATTEMPT TO STEAL INTO THE CANALS THAT ARE THE "STREETS" OF VENICE?

Historical Italian City That is Built Over Water May Be Scene of the World's Most Unique Naval Battle—Torpedo Boats Now Mingle with Gondolas.

VENICE, May 26.—Submarines in the "streets" of Venice! It is another wonder of the great war. For weeks this ancient Italian city—the city that is wedded to the sea—has been bustling with preparations for war with Austria. In the lagoon of Venice safely sheltered behind the Litorale di Malamocco, the narrow but strongly fortified strip of land that shuts out the Adriatic sea, torpedo destroyers and submarines already are moored. Even in the historical city itself, in the entrance of the Grand canal where it joins with the still grander Giudecca canal, submarines and torpedo boats and their tenders are moored, busy with preparations for war. Venice, with its 1600 buildings, many of them of great beauty and historical interest, may be the scene of one of the most unique naval battles of the war. Most of the city is built on an elaborate system of piling, with the water lapping against the stone steps and walls of the buildings. Although in the majority of the canals and lagoons the water is only a few feet deep, yet in parts of the Grand canal submarines of the enemy, if they dared, might creep in and torpedo many of the historical buildings that have made the city famous. The Giudecca canal, where some of Italy's seventy torpedo boats and twenty-five submarines are now moored, preparing for the coming struggle with Austria, separates the long narrow island of Giudecca from the city of Venice proper. The canal is nearly a quarter of a mile wide. But Venice is wonderfully fortified and Austrian submarines and torpedo boats would find it almost impossible to slip into the lagoon of Venice in the center of which the city lies. They would have to pass the Litorale di Malamocco, a strip of low sandy land dotted with forts that is stretched before the city much as torpedo nets are stretched to protect a nighty dreadnaught. To the north of this strip the entrance into the big lagoon beyond is not more than a quarter of a mile in width and the enemy's submarines or destroyers would have to enter under the guns and powerful searchlights of Fort San Nicolo and Fort Castel San Andrea. To the south the entrance to the lagoon is not much over half a mile in width and also is guarded by forts, while still smaller forts are located further back in the lagoon. But Pola, the Austrian naval base on the Adriatic, is less than 150 miles away and Venice, thoroughly stirred over the possibility of war, is taking no chances. The forts on the islands surrounding the city are ready and patrol boats are constantly on the watch in the lagoon and at the entrance to the larger canals, where they mark a strange contrast to the picturesque gondolas. In the event of war the city has many famous buildings and art treasures that it must guard and among the former is the famous cathedral of St. Mark's and the ancient Doge's palace, the home of the earlier rulers of Venice, which is situated on the broad canal of San Marco. The famous Campanile of Venice, a tower some 322 feet high, would be a target the enemy's gunners could scarcely resist if the city ever should be bombarded by Austrian dreadnaughts in the Adriatic. This tower fell in 1902, but has since been rebuilt.



Will this happen in Italian-Austrian war? How an Austrian submarine would look if it rose to the surface under the Bridge of Sighs in Venice.

TEUTON ADVANCE GALICIAN FRONT CHECKED REPORT

PETROGRAD, May 26, 12:15 p. m.—Although German activity continues in Central Galicia on both sides of the San river, between Jaroslau and Przemysl, the Russians assert they now have the situation well in hand. They state that the German drive from Craow, through Galicia, and also the parallel movement on the left side of the Vistula, which reached the Kielec and Radom districts, have lost their impetus and that the Russians are now ready to take the initiative.

Less optimistic observers believe the checking of the German move is due to the necessity of bringing up fresh supplies of ammunition, after which their aggressive will resume its former intensity. In the district between Przemysl and the Dniester marshes, the Russians have already begun a successful advance, capturing a number of small villages on the bank of the Dniester. On the right side of the river the struggle of the opposing forces still swings forward and backward without definite gain for either side. On Monday the Germans captured Russian trenches near Sion-ko, following up an intense artillery fire with a bayonet charge. The Russian troops, however, recovered the trenches on the same day.

On the Dolina-Kolomea front there has been a violent and prolonged artillery duel without change in the positions of either side.

BRITISH SPIRIT GLUM OVER WAR NEWS AND CHANGE

LONDON, May 26, 11:56 a. m.—The approval of King George V has made the coalition government, as announced this morning, an accomplished fact, and it is generally accepted as the best solution of a bad muddle. Nevertheless the country shows no great enthusiasm over this compromise for the usual party cabinet. The great onslaught of General von Mackensen against the Russian line north of Przemysl and around Jaroslau indicates that the powers of the Austro-German offensive are not exhausted and verifies the belief general in London that the Russians are not well equipped for the defense of this position.

In the Dardanelles the allies are officially reported to be slowly advancing against the stubborn opposition of the Turks, who have been granted an armistice to bury 3000 of their dead in front of their trenches. Along the western line the Germans hold a trench east of Ypres, which they captured Monday morning from the British and held against counter attacks during the day. Yesterday the French offensive north of Arras developed new vigor, with the result that a number of German positions were captured.

The official Italian announcement reviewing the first three-six hours of war claims the capture of several Austrian towns just across the border and the occupancy of all frontier passes in Cadore.

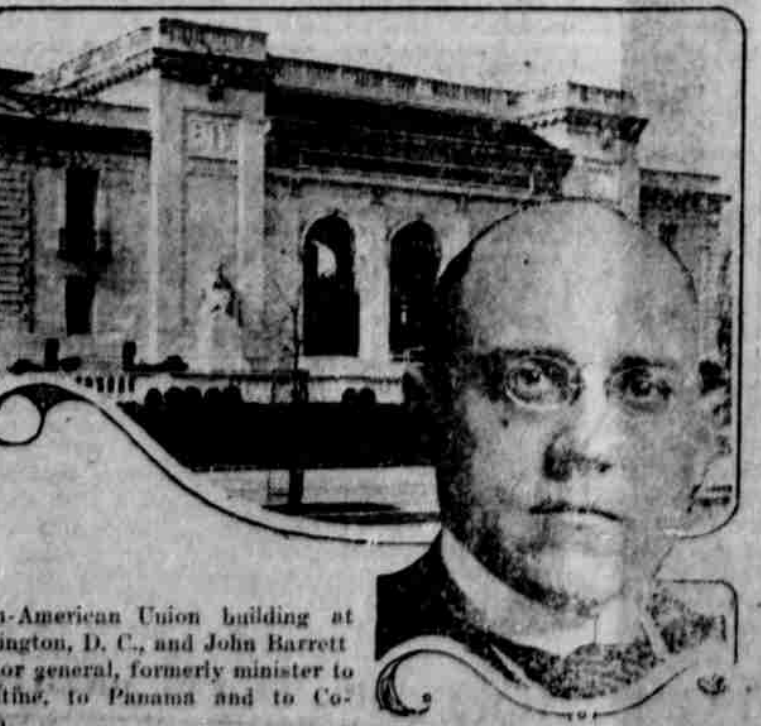
REPUBLICS OF SOUTH AMERICA JOIN UNITED STATES FOR PEACE AND PROSPERITY

Pan-American Union building at Washington, D. C., and John Barrett director general, formerly minister to Argentina, to Panama and to Colombia.

SPOILERS AT STAR THEATRE TODAY

The Spoilers with William Farnum and Kathleen Williams will be shown at the Star theater, for the last time today and this will end the run of this famous picture in this part of the state.

The Spoilers is one of the most popular pictures that has ever been produced and has probably been seen by more people than any three motion pictures in the world. More than five hundred people saw the picture last night at the Star, and probably one-third of that number was seeing it for the second time but with nine parts of it is a subject that one can see for several times without it becoming tiresome. If you have read the story you should see the picture and if you have not read the book you cannot afford to miss seeing it, and it is worth ten times the admission that is charged.



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GRADUATES SHOW CLASS IN "THE COLLEGE WIDOW"

The senior class of the high school presented "The College Widow" Tuesday night at the Page theater to a capacity house. The offering was the best amateur production ever staged in this city and was a pleasant surprise to friends and relatives. Miss Ethel Eifert, Miss Catherine Swem, Miss Gladys Wilson and Miss Alice Becroft in the leading girl parts carried off the honors of the evening by clever bits of acting.

Jay Gore as the college president, Hugo Lundborg as the railroad magnate and Charley Ray as the country boy scored in their parts, Gore being especially good in his characterization of a difficult part. Bobby Pelouze as the busy undergraduate and Jimmy Vance as the football star were good. Mrs. George T. Wilson drilled the cast, and the result of her work showed to advantage. All the roles of the play were well taken.

The cast is as follows: Billy Bolton, half-back, James Vance, Peter Witherspoon, A. M., Ph. D., President of Atwater College, Hiram Holton, President K. & H., R. R., Hugo Lundborg, Matty McGowan, a trainer, Griffith Cowgill, Elan Hicks, of Squantumville, Walter Brown, Bob Hicks, a freshman, Charles Ray, Jack Larrabee, a football coach, Earl Hubbard, Copernicus Talbot, a post graduate tutor, Miles Gammill, "Silent" Murphy, center rush, Chester Baker, "Stub" Talmadge, a busy undergraduate, Robert Pelouze, Tom Pearson, right tackle, Claren Jaqua, Daniel Tibbets, the town marshal, Dean Carder, Jane Witherspoon, the College Widow, Katharine Swem, Bessie Tanner, an athletic girl, Gladys Wilson, Flora Wiggins, a prominent waitress, Marie Eifert, Mrs. Primley Datzelle, a professional chaperone, Alice BeCrot.

Students: Gerald Wollam, Dick McAllister, Glenn Simmons, Jimsey Hopper, Harold Gray. Town Girls: Luella Chubb, Margaret Soutter, Bertha Tyson, Nell Corum, Sally Cameron, Jean Budge, Josephine Barclay, Leah Walther.

Germany sought Italy's friendship. ROME, May 25, via Paris, May 26, 8:55 a. m.—Prince von Buelow, the German ambassador, who has now returned to Berlin, is reported by the...

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Giornale d'Italia to have declared in an interview that he came to Italy in the hope of bringing about an Austro-Italian rapprochement on a basis that Austria undoubtedly always had treated Italy unfairly and that Germany attached supreme importance to the preservation of friendly relations with Italy, which meant the maintenance of Italian neutrality. Italian public opinion must understand, however, the prince said, that an attack on Austria meant an attack on Germany.



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