

### THREAT OF WATER SHORTAGE BRINGS NEW REGULATIONS

The annual water shortage problem is again upon the city, and steps toward conserving the supply will be taken by the city council and water department at once. This morning tests made by Water Superintendent Ole Arnsperger showed a pressure from 55 pounds to nothing in the outlying residence districts on the west side. During the last two days there has been a heavy drain on the reservoir.

"Kitchen gardens," some of which resemble young farms, are partly blamed for the shortage, coupled with extensive lawn sprinkling the last week. The irrigating of vegetable tracts is one of the new problems the water committee will have to adjust. The heaviest usage comes in the early morning and in the late afternoon and evening, and the council will attempt to regulate this, so that regular hours will be allotted to each district.

Water Superintendent Arnsperger has prepared the following set of rules and regulations and don'ts for water users.

Do not irrigate with open hose. Do not set your sprinkler so that the water will interfere with traffic on the sidewalk.

Do not allow the water to run to waste down the gutter.

Immediately upon the sounding of the fire alarm all water must be shut off.

These offenses are punishable under the provisions of ordinance No. 669, and by its amendments by fines of from \$2 to \$50.

From this date on all water laws will be rigidly enforced.

### WILD CATTLE USED TO CAPTURE FORT

ROME, June 5.—Fifty wild cattle materially aided Italian troops in capturing a strong Austrian position on Monte Cerdo, according to the Corriere d'Italia. The Austrian garrison had surrounded itself with a high barbed wire entanglement against which the Italians drove the cattle. Startled by exploding bombs, the animals attacked the entanglements with hoofs and horns and in a quarter of an hour had swept away the obstacles so that Italians were able to gain the summit. The charge of the cattle, for which no previous cattle experience had prepared them, is said to have stampeded the Austrians.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—President Wilson has agreed with Secretary Daniels that it will be unwise to attempt to send the Atlantic fleet through the Panama Canal in July as had been planned and a formal announcement may be made soon. Governor Goethals has reported the condition of the slides in Gallard cut as very indefinite.

### THESE ARE THE SOLDIERS TEUTONS MUST FIGHT ON ITALIAN-AUSTRIAN FRONT



Italian troops marching through the streets of Genoa on their way to the mobilization centers near the Austrian frontier.

### HUNTER STUDENTS TO STUDY GEOLOGY AT CRATER LAKE

The department of geology and geography of Hunter college of the City of New York will tour the west during the month of August for the study of the geologic and physiographic problems of the Pacific coast. It is not a sightseeing trip, although the route covered will embrace some of the greatest scenic sections of the continent. Careful field study is intended at each of the places visited and the course planned for the utmost benefit to the teachers. The educational conduct of the trip will be in the hands of Dr. R. B. Earle, professor of geology in Hunter college.

The itinerary is as follows: Yellowstone Park, ten days; Glacier National Park, 9 days; Alaska trip, 2,000 miles, 11 days; Columbia river, 2 days; Crater Lake, 3 days; Panama exposition, 2 1/2 days; Los Angeles, 2 days; San Diego, 1 day; Grand Canyon, 2 days; Petrified Forest, 2 days. The estimated total expense for the trip from August 2 to 28 will be \$450. The party will arrive at Medford on August 10.

### WILSON FINISHING NOTE TO GERMANY UPON LUSITANIA

WASHINGTON, June 5.—President Wilson was today putting the finishing touches on his latest note to Germany concerning the sinking of the Lusitania. It already had been approved in principle by the cabinet. All that was needed today to start the communication on its way to Berlin was the making of minor changes in phraseology. This was the task before the president.

The president was expected to complete the work of revision during the day. The note will then be sent to the state department for transmission by cable tonight or tomorrow to Ambassador Gerard at Berlin, who will in turn present it to the German foreign office.

Previous reports that the note will be brief but emphatic are borne out, it is said, by the text as it now stands. President Wilson returned to the white house toward noon after a brief outing and gave his attention to putting the note into final form.

### COUNCIL PUTS CITY HALL WORK UP TO PEOPLE

At a special session of the city council Friday afternoon the proposal to build a new city hall was side-tracked for the time being, the action of the city council putting the issue up to the voters at the next general election, unless a special election is called in the meantime.

Councilman Mann introduced a motion providing for the construction of the new city hall, not to cost over \$8500. An amendment to this motion providing that the matter be left to the voters was introduced by Hargreaves to defer action until it could be left to the will of the taxpayers. A tie vote resulted, Mayor Emerick breaking the deadlock by casting his vote in favor of delay. The resolution provided that Architect Clark should be paid \$150 if the hall was not built, and 5 per cent of the working cost if the hall was built.

Mayor Emerick said this morning that it was his opinion that a special election would be necessary within a short time to vote upon the electric light matter, the police mat-

ron issue and the new city hall. "Everybody knows we need a new city hall, but I do not think it good business to spend money under present conditions, unless the entire people gave their consent. If the taxpayers want to spend the money I am willing and ready to spend my share."

At the Debating Club Jones—If Mr. Oldboy makes any such assertion I will denounce him as a liar.

President—Mr. Jones, I call you to order. Our by-laws do not allow you to go that far.

Jones—Then I call Mr. Oldboy a liar as far as it is permitted by the by-laws of this association.

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