

FORECAST SHOWERS TONIGHT AND TUESDAY

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

WEATHER Maximum Yesterday 62; Minimum Today 46.

MEDFORD OREGON, MONDAY, MAY 8, 1916

NO. 40

WHITE STAR LINER CYMRIC SINKS AT SEA

Lloyd's Shipping Agency Reports Steamship Cymric Sinking. But Adds No Details—Belongs to White Star Line—For Years in Passenger Service Between New York and Liverpool—Censor Has Evidently Withheld Details—Is 13,000-Ton Vessel, 584 Feet Long.

LONDON, May 8.—It is reported that the steamship Cymric is sinking. The Cymric sailed on April 29 from New York for Liverpool.

The Cymric has been in the service of the government for some time. She had on board no passengers.

The Lloyd's shipping agency report on the Cymric states that she is simply reported sinking and gives no details.

The Cymric belongs to the White Star line and was for years in the passenger service between New York and English ports. She is a 13,000-ton vessel, 585 feet long and 54 feet beam. She was built in Belfast in 1898.

It is understood here that no passengers are on board the Cymric.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The Cymric when she left New York April 29 carried a crew of about 100, none of whom, so far as is known, is an American. She was commanded by Captain Bondness, an Englishman.

According to the line's officials, the Cymric was in their service, denied being used that she had been taken over by the British government. She was armed and carried a general freight cargo, which, according to the officials, did not include quantities of war supplies, they know. She was due in Liverpool today.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The London bulletin stating that the Cymric is reported sinking is the only dispatch thus far received. As it does not indicate what happened to the ship, the dispatch presumably follows one previously sent that has not yet reached New York because of the censorship.

Later it was stated by officials of the line that the Cymric's cargo included the usual amount of war supplies which are carried by the line's freighters.

The manifest discloses that she had on board 101 cases of rifles and other firearms and also a quantity of empty shells, parts of aeroplanes, bayonets and motor cars.

VIOLENT STORM SWEEPS DAKOTA

MINNEAPOLIS, May 8. A violent windstorm which swept Minnesota and parts of North Dakota last night caused considerable property damage. At Two Harbors, Minn., a man was killed by lightning. At Crookston, Minn., a church was destroyed during service, but no one was hurt. The roof of the grandstand at a La Crosse, Wis., baseball park was lifted by the wind and dropped on a street car, slightly injuring several passengers. Wire communication was interrupted throughout the north-west.

GOOD ROADS BILL PASSES THE SENATE

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The senate today passed without a record vote the highway good roads bill to spend \$200,000,000 in construction of good roads, authorized upon an equal apportionment to the states. Appropriation for \$100,000,000 for roads in national forests is authorized. It differs from the house bill.

HONOR UNCLE JOE CANNON ON EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY



WASHINGTON, May 8.—Uncle Joe Cannon was 80 years of age Sunday. He was the honored guest at a feast at which 80 of his conferees sang his praises. Uncle Joe has been in congress 40 years and he says he is good for 20 more. The recipe? "Well, I smoke stogies and eat a little now and then, you know," says Uncle Joe. The program will last three days, according to the program arranged by Cannon's admirers.

CONGRESS KILLS SENATE BILL FOR ARMY OF 250,000

Overwhelming Votes by House Against Senate Amendment for a Large Standing Army and a Volunteer Army of 261,000 Pledged to 30 Days' Defensive Training Yearly.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—By two overwhelming votes the house today declined to agree to the senate amendment to the army bill providing for a standing army of 250,000 men and a volunteer army of 261,000 pledged to thirty days' intensive training yearly.

The first proposal was rejected 241 to 142, and the latter 251 to 109. A discussion followed the vote on the senate's attitude toward amendment favored by President Wilson, which was opposed by many democrats and republican members. Some leaders on both sides expressed belief that the proposal might be defeated.

Outstanding in the debate in the proposed army increases was the declaration of Representative Kahn of California that he was convinced foreign nations at the close of the European war would demand indemnity from the United States for losses to their citizens in Mexico and that it would be advisable to have a large army in such a situation.

Representative Burton, democrat, and a permanent establishment of 100,000 men meant compulsory enlistment.

Representative Anthony, republican, contended the house should not change its position on the size of the army.

Representative McKee of Missouri called Representative Kahn for urging an army of 250,000 men.

Representative Mendenhall, republican, told the house that if the senate bill became law the president would be besieged by those interested in a big military establishment. He submitted the senate plan for a volunteer army as a reversal of the "voluntarized and regimented continental army idea."

QUIET RESTORED AT SAN DOMINGO

WASHINGTON, May 8. Rear Admiral Cyprien, commanding the cruise squadron in Dominican waters, reported today that quiet had been restored in Santo Domingo City and that General Armas, leader of the movement to depose General Jimenes as president of the republic, had surrendered the city. Secretary Daniels said the three dispatches and four companies of marines on route to Santo Domingo were expected to prevent further trouble. The state department had advised Minister Bissell that General Armas would be reinstated as a legitimate president of the republic. The city was vacated by Jimenes.

BANDITS RAID TEXAS TOWN KILLING FOUR

Band of Seventy Mexicans Attacked Glenn Springs and Boquillas Friday, Killing Three Cavalrymen and a Boy—Others Reported Slain—Flee Into Wilderness, Pursued by American Troopers—Reinforcements Sent in Pursuit.

ALPINE, Tex., May 8.—Fleeing through the wild mesas of northern Mexico, the seventy or more bandits that raided the American settlement of Glenn Springs and Boquillas last Friday, killing three cavalrymen and a nine-year-old boy, are believed to be heading into the interior today, many miles from the scene of their depredations.

A posse from Marathon and a detachment of twenty-three troopers of the fourteenth cavalry are said to have followed the trail of the Mexicans into Coulbush, while other reports have it that the Americans have not forded the Rio Grande 75 miles from here, but are waiting at the river for reinforcements. Captain Cooper is hurrying to Boquillas to take command while two companies of the fourteenth cavalry and a machine gun company are expected here or at Marathon this afternoon, when they will head southward to the Big Bend country.

Have Three Days Start. It is not known here whether the new troops contemplate a long pursuit of the bandits into Mexico or if they will be placed as an additional guard along the border. Reports here say that there are many bandits operating between Boquillas and Presidio, just south of the Rio Grande.

Nothing has been heard of Private Roseve Tyree, who was last seen as he ran from the posse hunter where he and his eight companions for three long hours fought against the Mexicans and then fled through the trail of the posse was an affray by two balls.

Private Grayson, who was in the fight, thinks Tyree was wounded and wandered off in the hills, where he died. Others believe that Tyree was captured and carried off a prisoner by the bandits and probably killed later on.

Storekeeper Dead. Unconfirmed information says that (Continued on page six)

BORDER CONFERENCE TO SETTLE AFFAIRS IN MEXICO



News photograph of Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, and General Alvarez Obregon, representing Gen. Carranza, in conference at El Paso. Obregon is shown on the left; Scott on the right.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—A new American expedition may already be across the Mexican border in pursuit of the bandits who raided Glenn Springs, Texas, last week. Secretary Baker said today he had received a report from General Paniston as to steps taken in that direction, but declined to reveal its contents. He said General Paniston's original orders stood, however, and they gave him authority to cross whenever the need arose.

No additional report of the raid had reached the department at the time. On the lines of consular dispatches, however, secretary Lansing has forwarded a report to the Mexican government calling attention to the latest bandit activities along the border. State department officials said it was assumed that private Jimenez of the raiders already has been captured by General Obregon or his subordinates.

It was believed possible that methods of direct cooperation with the federal government or capture of the Glenn Springs bandits might result from the conference today between General Scott and Obregon at El Paso. The war department has heard informally that General Carranza approved the war department's plan with minor variations. It was hoped that the whole matter would be disposed of today or tomorrow.

Two companies of the 10th (Cavalry) of the regular army, Capt. Popper, commander, have been ordered to Fort Clark, Texas, to take the place of the 10th cavalry troops which were sent to the Rio Grande.

The president added that the propaganda in this matter had for a year (Continued on page six)

VERDUN FIGHT RAGING WITH GREAT FURY

Germans Making New Attack With Another Formidable Army—Penetrate French Trenches Sunday at Hill No. 304, But Are Driven Back Today With Heavy Slaughter—Dead Man's Hill Scene of Carnage

PARIS, May 8.—After seventy-seven days of battle the Germans are making a new attack before Verdun with another formidable army. Fighting almost equal in violence to that of the beginning of March is in progress on both banks of the Meuse. Fighting of great violence continued last night. Furious German attacks near Hill No. 304 were broken by the French, the war office announced today. The losses of the Germans are described as extremely heavy.

The French attacked east of Hill 304 and drove the Germans from a communication trench which they penetrated yesterday.

East of the Meuse in a series of night engagements, the Germans were driven from a trench south of Haudromont which they occupied today and thirty men, including two officers, were captured.

At Dead Man's Hill. The principal effort of the Germans is being directed against Dead Man's Hill. Following the Napoleonic policy of attempting to turn what can not be carried by frontal attack, the Germans with a whole army corps made the assault by way of the ravine between Hill 304 and Dead Man's Hill, seeking to crush the French line along a front of nine and one half miles. The ground there is difficult and the French commander aware of his position placed one of his best trained army corps at this position.

The corps disposed of the initial attack without coding any important ground but the battle is still raging and according to the latest advices, the result will not be known until some time today. East of the Meuse the Germans delivered four attacks on a front of 2000 yards, each advance being made by a different Prussian regiment. The fighting there is as fierce as on the other side of the river and as inconclusive.

Neville in Command. General Neville, whose promotion to the command at Verdun put him in charge at such a critical time, is a man of sixty and is one of the discoverers of the war. At outbreak of hostilities he was in command of the 57th regiment of artillery. General Joffre soon singled him out for a leading role. He was promoted to be general of brigade on October 24, 1914, and shortly after was placed in command of the 61st infantry division. On December 18, 1915, he received his three stars and at the same time was appointed commander of the Third army corps.

Other developments of yesterday are described textually as follows: "The night passed quietly on the remainder of the front except in the region of Fleury and the wood of Juigne, east of Pont-a-Mousson, where the artillery was very active.

Two German aeroplanes have been brought down as a result of aerial encounters in the region of Verdun. One of them fell not far from Ornes and the other, seriously damaged was compelled to land south of Aarbus."

GERMAN CONSUL AT BALTIMORE INDICTED. NEW YORK, May 8.—(United A. S. A.) Baltimore, Md., (United A. S. A.) federal grand jury returned today indictments against Von Der Goltz, the man who has by his own confession admitted to selling illegal German plots to obtain false American passports.

With Von Der Goltz indicted on the same charge by Walter F. Scheele, chief of the New Jersey department of criminal justice, the grand jury indicted by an alleged conspiracy to obstruct justice, including the sale of false passports and the receipt of money.

QUEZON ABANDONS IDEA OF FREEDOM. WASHINGTON, May 8.—Manuel Quezon, Philippine commissioner, who has been urging Philippine independence, told President Wilson today that he and his followers had abandoned the idea of freedom in the near future and hoped congress would pass the house bill giving a greater share of self government to the islands but setting no date for independence.

WIFE OF PRESIDENT WILSON REVIEWS WOMEN IN PREPAREDNESS CAMP



Mrs. Woodrow Wilson is here shown at the Chevy Chase (M. I.) service camp reviewing 200 maid and matrons training for preparedness by enjoying gun practice, warning to care for wounded and sick.