

### DENY HOLSTEIN IS GERMAN SPY, CLAIM IS PATRIOT

E. D. Holstein, the 18-year-old son of E. Holstein, who was under espionage during his several weeks' stay in Medford as a German spy suspect, denied Saturday that his father is a German spy and asserted that he is a loyal American citizen.

"My father has been a resident of this country for twenty-five years, and took out his citizenship papers three days after I was born," said young Holstein. "In the San Francisco earthquake his papers were burned up. I'll admit that for some time after the present European war broke out father was radically in favor of Germany, but he later turned strongly against Germany's cause for some reason. There were sixteen children in our family, and one of my brothers and my brother-in-law are fighting in the German army."

"I can see that some of the actions of my father while he was in Medford may have looked suspicious to some people, but without just cause. For instance, his moving of our family into the house in the rear of the Cuthbert building shortly after Company I moved into that building. We moved because it was better quarters than the rooms we had been living in."

"Several weeks ago father and my little brother, Frank, who became Company 7's mascot, reached Medford from the Mexican border by working their way from town to town by Frank's giving musical exhibitions."

"My mother and I were at Frisco, where I was working, and we decided to join them here. Besides, I wanted to get work in a mine here. We reached Medford last week, and I'm going to try and get a job here. I would enlist in the army at once, only I am now the support of my mother. That's the kind of good American I am."

"You see, when the New York Symphony orchestra was here last Tuesday, brother Frank played the violin and cornet before Zimbalist, the famous violinist, and others. They were so pleased that they told Frank and father if Frank would come to New York they would give him free music lessons and instruction and promised that at the end of six months they would get him a job in the orchestra at \$45 a month."

"So yesterday father and Frank started to work their way from town to town by giving concerts until they reach New York. That's why they only bought tickets to Grants Pass."

### MILITIAMAN JOINS MARINE CORPS

At the marine corps recruiting office in the Federal building Friday, John N. Hartman, 18 years old, who has been working on a ranch near Medford, and whose parents live at Drain, Or., was enlisted by Sergeant James A. Brooks, Hartman was a member of the Seventh company, C. A. C., but was given a discharge from that company by Captain Vance to enable him to enlist in the marines. He left for Portland on Friday night and from there will be sent to the Mars Island training station.

The great American public is realizing now more than ever the fact that the marine corps maintains separate and distinct recruiting stations from the other branches of our national defense and that although the marine goes to sea, he is a soldier—not a sailor—and does not serve his country entirely on the ocean wave, according to Major General George Barnett, the commandant of the "soldiers of the sea."

The present crisis is causing many patriotic young men to investigate the different avenues in which they may protect the freedom which they enjoy, and those unbidden as to whether they would "do their bit" as a soldier or a sailor are enlisting in the marine corps as a "soldier and sailor, too."

### FRENCH MISSION OF SCIENTISTS COMING

PARIS, April 21.—Professor Paul Painleve, the minister of war, and Admiral Lacaze, the minister of marine, have decided to send to the United States a mission of scientists and technical men to study scientific questions connected with the national defense.

### POTATOES TICKETS OF ADMISSION FOR RED CROSS BENEFIT

The Page theater will undoubtedly be crowded to capacity, and then some, next Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, for any boy or girl under 15 years of age will be admitted for one nice potato to the big moving picture attraction, "Snow White," with charming Marguerite Clark as the star.

The potatoes will be sold for the benefit of the local Red Cross branch, and it is expected that many bushels of fine spuds will result from the unique admission fee. Manager Hunt has donated the theater and attraction free of charge.

Then on Wednesday evening will come some fun for the big folks, as following the first show, all the potatoes brought in the afternoon will be piled on the stage and auctioned off to the highest bidder. Mayor C. E. Gates will be the auctioneer.

A goodly sum will probably be raised for the benefit of the Red Cross, although that organization has nothing to do with the potato benefit plans or arrangements.

In order to encourage the children to bring only nice large potatoes, Manager Hunt offers a prize of a month's free admission to Page theater attractions to the boy or girl who brings the largest and finest potato. Those competing for this prize must tie their names to the potatoes they present for admission.

### SENATE DEBATES ARMY BILL

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The bill, including the volunteer amendment, was ordered favorably reported to the house today by the military committee by a vote of 12 to 8. Consideration in the house will begin Monday, with prospects of a vote probably Wednesday night or Thursday.

#### Bill in House Monday.

Representative Kahn of California, republican, will have charge of the administration fight for the selective draft, while Chairman Dent, in charge of the whole bill, will lead the fight for the volunteer amendment. Members outside the committee are talking about the possibility of a compromise. A plan laid before two members of the cabinet and before Chairman Dent preliminary to urging it upon the president, proposes to permit volunteering for thirty days after the passage of the bill, with authority to the president to meanwhile organize machinery for the selective draft which would be authorized at the expiration of the thirty days. Under this plan its advocates say no time will be lost, inasmuch as Secretary Baker has advised the committee that it would take at least three months to get the machinery in operation for beginning the selective draft.

Both the committee report and the minority conscription report were filed today with the house. Chairman Dent, reporting for the committee, pointed out that the bill as amended authorizes, but does not direct, the president to call for a volunteer army of 500,000 in the first place, and of an additional force of 500,000 if necessary under the law now in existence. Upon the completion of registration the president would have absolute power to decide whether to take an army of volunteers or organize one by draft.

#### Pacifist Arguments.

Pacifist conscientious objectors and representatives of unorganized workers also appeared today before the senate committee. James Eads How of St. Louis, known as the "Millionaire Hobo," speaking for unorganized workers, said he believed if guns were put in their hands he doubted they would use them against the government. Joseph Cannon, a labor organizer, predicted that the selective draft and higher prices of food would lead to riots, and that "blood will flow in the streets."

Mrs. W. I. Thomas, Chicago, executive secretary of the woman's international peace party, characterized the war as an alliance "between Lombard and Wall streets."

Grant Hamilton of the American Federation of Labor said labor stands against conscription.

### SHORTAGE OF EGGS KEEPS PRICES UP THROUGH VALLEY

The high price of eggs in Medford for this time of year is mainly due to shortage of production, it is said, caused by the high prices of grain. Many persons have killed off some of their hens rather than support them with the high-priced grain.

Then, too, most of the eggs coming in are purchased for packing, and to supply the Puget Sound and Alaska trade. There is big demand for eggs from these sections. In the past five weeks it is estimated that at least two carloads of eggs have been shipped out from Medford.

Eggs are now selling at retail for 30 cents a dozen, or two dozen for 55 cents. The prices paid by Medford grocers and other buyers to producers varies, but averages about 30 cents a dozen in trade to 26 or 27 cents a dozen cash payment.

The Union Meat company, which went into the egg business for the first time this year, and which is seeking to stimulate the egg production and quality in the Rogue River valley, sent out the following circular thirty days ago, which Manager E. J. Nedd says is already producing good results:

"Thousands of dollars are lost annually to the Oregon egg industry by indifferent and careless methods. If you want the top price for your eggs follow the directions given below and watch your egg profits grow:

"1. Don't wash the dirty eggs or wipe them off with damp cloth. If you must sell dirty eggs, sell them as they come from the nest.

"2. Use the dirty and small eggs at home.

"3. Gather the eggs at least twice daily.

"4. Hold the eggs in a cool place, but not in a damp or musty case or cellar, and keep them dry.

"5. Market your eggs as frequently as possible.

"6. Hen houses should be located on high ground, should be kept clean and dry and ground surrounding houses well covered with gravel."

### STRIKES CAUSE GERMAN CRISIS

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continues his unrelenting pressure against the enemy at the most vital point of his defenses—the sharp angle at which the German line, running south from Lens, turns east toward Rheims.

That General Haig is preparing for another tremendous blow is taken for granted, and London believes that this blow will not be long withheld now.

#### German Report.

BERLIN, April 21.—"Yesterday afternoon," says the official statement issued today by the German army headquarters staff, "strong artillery firing was commenced on the whole river Aisne front, and also in the Champagne. On the Chemin Des Dames and in the Champagne enemy attacks failed."

"Between Loos and the Arras-Cambrai railway line," the statement adds, "there was a gradual increase in the artillery bombardment."

Big 5c milk shakes at De Voe's.

The fire department was summoned to the home of Dr. John P. Hart at 822 South Oakdale on Saturday forenoon to extinguish a small blaze in the roof caused by a defective fuse. Very little damage was done.

Sweet cider at De Voe's.

### CLUBS PLANNING FAREWELL FUNCTION FOR COMPANY SEVEN

Preparations are actively under way to make the farewell reception to be given under the auspices of the Greater Medford club to the Seventh company the most successful affair of the kind ever given in the city.

No pains are being spared to make the occasion worthy of its object, namely, to extend to the members of the company a most hearty testimonial of their home town's appreciation of the patriotic spirit which has prompted them to be the first to offer themselves for their country's service in the cause of democracy.

Organizations of all kinds are joining in the work; the churches, women's aid societies, lodges, Commercial club, University club and a large number of private citizens are taking part. The Grand Army, the Ladies Relief corps and the Woodburn company of the Third regiment, O. N. G., will be guests of the evening.

A fitting musical program is being prepared and some of the best talent of the city will be heard. Mrs. Lange is in charge of the program.

The entertainment committee consists of Mrs. R. L. Wilson, chairman; Mrs. Jap Andrews, Mrs. W. E. Crews, Mrs. T. E. Daniels, Mrs. C. E. Gates, Mrs. Delroy Getchell, Mrs. R. D. Hoke, Mrs. J. C. Herring, Mrs. Frank E. Madden, Mrs. Myron E. Root and Mrs. H. L. Walther.

The Wednesday Study club, the Colony club and the College club are represented on this committee.

Costumes and tableaux are in the hands of a committee of which Mrs. Braekinreed is chairman, the other members being Mrs. Albert W. Clark, Mrs. George E. Johnson and Miss Nancy Clark. Mrs. Braekinreed has charge of the publicity.

The date of the reception will be announced as soon as the company receives its marching orders. It will be held at the Natatorium.

### BOOTLEGGING TRIAL IS HELD

A large crowd of interested spectators was in attendance in Judge Taylor's court Saturday afternoon to witness the jury trial of Little Joe Wilson and C. V. Beeler of Ashland on a bootlegging charge. County Prosecutor Roberts prosecuted the case and E. E. Kelly represented the two defendants. The trial was not completed at the hour of going to press.

Wilson and Beeler, who are well known in Medford and Ashland, were arrested on information furnished by Ted Breyman, a traveling salesman, who was arrested for intoxication Thursday night and was fined \$12.35 by Judge Taylor on Friday. Breyman is the star witness of the state against Wilson and Beeler, and was much embarrassed by Attorney Kelly's scathing sarcasm and comments.

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### COUNTY AGENT TO ACT AS BUREAU FOR EMPLOYMENT

County Agent C. C. Cate, whose office is in the Garnett-Corey building, has received the following from Paul V. Maris, county agent leader in the co-operative agricultural work carried on by the United States and Agricultural college:

"The reports which you have submitted on the labor situation in your respective counties indicate that in practically half of the counties there will be an inadequate supply of labor to plant the normal acreage of crops. It is agreed by all that the situation will become more acute as harvest time comes on, especially if army en-

listment is to continue between now and then, as is altogether probable. The following plan has been adopted for meeting this situation: By arrangement between this office and the office of the director of public employment bureau in Portland, each county agent's office is hereby designated as a branch public employment bureau of the Portland office, and you are asked to give widespread publicity to this fact immediately and call upon the farmers in your county to report their labor demands to you. You will transmit these orders to N. F. Johnson, director, public employment bureau, Portland, Or. Mr. Johnson will have the co-operation of the chambers of commerce, the state school officials, the governor of the state and such other agencies as will be necessary to make the labor supply available.

"There are, for example, 19,000 boys in the schools of the state over 14 and under 20, and it is reasonable to assume that there are in the neighborhood of 19,000 over 16 and under 19, the minimum military age. There

are also in the neighborhood of 5000 men in Portland not regularly employed. A plan will probably be worked out for the enlistment of the school boys for farm service as a branch of the National Guard, the service to receive statewide recognition through action by the government.

"The first step, however, is to have your offices recognized as the centers in which labor requests should be filed. With a knowledge of the number of men needed, in the possession of a central office, steps will be taken to make the men available."

### Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescription from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is too foul to be good. You can positively derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c. per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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