

BAPTISTS TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING BEGINNING FRIDAY

The Rogue River Baptist Association will hold its annual meeting at the First Baptist church of this city, beginning at 10 a. m., Friday, April 27th.

The programs for the morning, afternoon, and evening sessions are as follows:

- Morning Session.**
- 10 a. m., devotional service, conducted by Rev. W. F. Smith.
- 10:30 a. m., Greetings from the pastor of the Medford Baptist church, Rev. Frederick W. Carstens.
- 11 a. m., Introduction of new pastors and ministers, by Hon. H. C. Garnett.
- 11:30 a. m., annual sermon, by Rev. S. A. Douglas, pastor Baptist church, Grants Pass.

- Afternoon Session.**
- 1:30, devotional service, conducted by Rev. C. H. Fredenburg.
- 2:00, reports from committees and reading of church letters.
- 2:30, address by Rev. Frederick W. Carstens on "Our Association; Its Needs and Opportunities."
- 3:30, "Address by Rev. A. M. Petty, D. D., on "The Five Year Program and What is Coming of It."

- Evening Session.**
- 7:15, song service, conducted by Rev. Mr. Oliver.
- 7:45, address, "State Convention Work," by Rev. C. C. Wright, D. D.
- 8:15, address, "Home and Foreign Missions, or Watchman, What of the Night," by Dr. A. M. Petty.

Each session of the day promises to be highly interesting and profitable. Hon. H. C. Garnett, of the Garnett-Carey Hardware store, is the moderator of the association. Lunch and dinner will be served in the tent back of the church to all delegates. All who are not delegates are invited to bring their lunch with them. Fresh coffee, without cost, will be furnished to all who lunch at the church. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend and hear the big, bright, and brainy men talk.

FREDERICK W. CARSTENS, Pastor.

PRESS CONDEMNS ESPIONAGE BILL

NEW YORK, April 26.—The press censorship clause of the espionage bill now before congress is condemned by the American Newspaper Publishers' association on the ground that it impairs free institutions and strikes at the fundamental rights of the people. A resolution unanimously adopted at the association's annual convention yesterday, requests congress to eliminate this clause.

"A voluntary censorship, suggested by the government is being carefully observed by the papers of the United States," says the resolution, "and no loyal newspaper will knowingly print that which would give aid to the enemy."

GOVERNOR WITHCOMBE TO BE IN VALLEY MAY 15TH

Governor James Withcombe will spend three days in southern Oregon next month. On the evening of the 14th he will be guest of honor and speak at a commercial club luncheon at 7 p. m., at Grants Pass and will come to Medford on the morning of the 15th, spending the forenoon driving over the city and visiting some of the orchards. He will be a guest of honor and make a short talk at a noon day luncheon at the Hotel Astor, given by the Ashland commercial club. In the afternoon he will be taken for a drive over the Siskiyou highway and will visit some of the towns in the county if time permits. In the evening an informal reception will be held for the governor to meet his many friends. On the 16th he will attend and address the Tri-states Good Roads meeting in this city and will return to Salem on the morning of the 17th.

MAXWELL CARS INCREASE IN PRICE FIRST OF MAY

The price of Maxwell cars will increase in price \$30 each on May 1. "This is necessary because of the rise in steel and other materials entering into the manufacture of the cars and the company's determination to keep up the high standard of their cars," says A. W. Walker, the local agent. "We have several of the cars on hand that we will sell prior to May 1st at the old price and I would advise those wanting a Maxwell to come before they are all gone."

ARGENTINE WOULD BRING 200,000 SOLDIERS AND FORTY WARSHIPS INTO WAR AGAINST GERMANY

WASHINGTON, April 26.—South America is coming gradually into line in the war against Germany. Argentina is on the verge of entering, and if Argentina gets in it will mean the addition of 200,000 soldiers, more than 40 warships and the exportation of vast quantities of wheat, beef and other products to the allies. Argentina can feed 20,000,000 persons a year on wheat alone. With her animal food there would be enough for the whole western hemisphere, excluding the United States.

Argentina's area is about 1,153,000 square miles; its population is nearly 8,000,000. Shipments to Argentina last year amounted to about \$220,000,000 while exports from that country rose to \$540,000,000, leaving a balance of \$320,000,000 in Argentina's favor.

Between 1915 and 1913, German trade with Argentina increased three fold, while Great Britain's imports only doubled. Nearly \$100,000,000 in German trade has been cut off by the war.

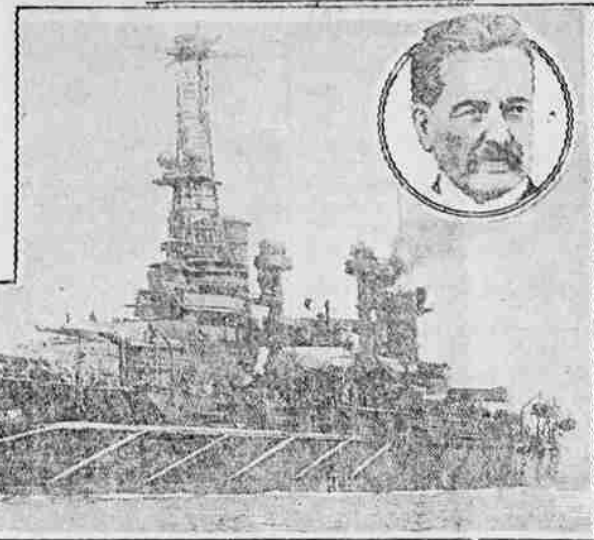
Argentina's trade may mean the transfer of this trade to the United States, England and France.

The Argentine army is based on compulsory service for men between 20 and 45 years of age. For the first 10 years the men are in the active army, the next ten years in the national guard and the last five years in the territorial guard.

Of Argentina's 40 ships, two are modern dreadnaughts, the Moreno and Rivadavia, each carrying twelve 12-inch guns, twelve 6-inch and sixteen 4-inch guns.

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BALFOUR REACHES AGREEMENT WITH SECRETARY M'ADOO

WASHINGTON, April 26.—British Foreign Minister Balfour and Secretary McAdoo have arrived at a complete understanding on questions affecting finance, trade, shipping, banking, exchange, and kindred problems, it was announced today.

The working out of details of the broad principles outlined will form the major portion of the next ten days' work of the commission.

The foremost point of difference between the American and the allied governments relates to trade both with the enemy and with neutral governments. There is a gap between the extreme which this government believes justified under international law and the practices of the allies. As a result the United States will pass as strict laws as possible and allow the entente to carry out other restrictions which they have found necessary.

The British commissioners received a letter of greeting from M. Viviani, Mr. Balfour lunched at the British embassy and paid an official call on the French commission. Later he received a call from the Chinese minister.

ST. PAUL WOMAN MYSTERIOUSLY SLAIN

ST. PAUL, April 26.—Mrs. Alice M. Dunn, former wife of Frank J. Dunn, was murdered early this morning by a man who broke into the home of her parents, entered the room in which she and a younger sister were sleeping, shot her twice and finally clubbed her to death with his pistol. The screams of her sister, Katherine, awoke her parents and a brother too late and the man escaped. Her sister is said to have told the police that when the man entered her room he commanded her to "keep cool; I don't want you. I just want to do a little shooting."

Frank J. Dunn, from whom Mrs. Dunn more than a year ago was granted separate maintenance and alimony of \$70 a month was taken to police headquarters but released after being questioned.

SUBMARINE SINKS AMERICAN SCHOONER

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The destruction without warning by submarine gunfire of the New York schooner Percy Birdsall of New York was reported today to the state department. Time and place were not announced.

The submarine fired ten shots, seven of which struck the schooner below the water line, and crew of nine were taken to the boats. The survivors were rescued by a British patrol boat after being in the boats about an hour and a half.

The Birdsall was of 1127 tons gross, built in Wilmington, Del., in 1890, and was owned by Edward L. Holmes.

COLONEL HAYDEN TO COMMAND ARTILLERY

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Colonel John L. Hayden was assigned to command the North Pacific coast artillery district with headquarters at Seattle according to an announcement made today by the war department. The order is effective May 1. Six majors and a score of captains in the newly created quarter-master officers reserve corps were summoned to active duty.

SARAH BARNHARDT RAPIDLY RECOVERING

NEW YORK, April 26.—The physicians attending Sarah Barnhardt, apparently recovering from an operation performed last week because of an infected kidney, said today her improvement was so marked that they would reduce the number of consultations each day from three to two.

GERMAN NEWSPAPERS EDITED BY CENSOR

COPENHAGEN, April 26.—The protests of a socialist representative in the Reichstag committee yesterday revealed the fact that German newspapers must now submit to censorship before being permitted to leave the country so as to block the channel through which discreditable news has reached foreign ears.

HOPEFUL OUTLOOK FOR GERMAN REFORM

AMSTERDAM, April 26.—The Berlin Vorwarts, pointing out that it is the turn of the Social-Democratic party to appoint a chairman of the constituent committee of the Reichstag, says that Philipp Scheidemann, leader of the majority Socialists, will be selected. The Vorwarts regards this as a hopeful beginning for the reform of the constitution.

COAL MINERS GIVEN 20 PERCENT INCREASE

NEW YORK, April 26.—Coal men estimate that the twenty per cent wage increase granted to 175,000 miners in the anthracite fields will raise the retail price of hard coal an average of 60 cents a ton. The agreement signed last night by representatives of the operators and the United Mine Workers of America adds approximately \$30,000,000 a year to the miners' wages and is the largest increase awarded in the history of the anthracite industry.

STREETS OF WISCONSIN TOWN MADE GARDEN

ONALASKA, Wis., April 26.—The council has decided to allow plowing up of the city's back streets for the cultivation of potatoes. The highways will be cultivated by high school boys.

GERMANS CONTINUE TO TEMPT RUSSIANS

PETROGRAD, April 26.—A telegram received here from Riga indicates that the Germans are continuing unrelentingly their attempts to parley with the Russian soldiers. On one place the Germans displayed a placard on which was written: "Russians: Do not attack. We also will not attack."

MUNITION SHIPMENTS REFUSED MEXICO

GALVESTON, APRIL 26.—Agents of the Southern Pacific lines have been instructed to refuse shipments of war munitions of any character for Mexican border destinations except on government bills of lading, on request of Major General Pershing.

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