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WAR NEWS WILL BE SUMMARIZED WEEKLY FOR PRESS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—The first official summary of the war activities of the United States will be issued in a few days by Secretary Baker, to be followed weekly thereafter with statements of such matters as may be disclosed without violating military precautions.

The exact nature of the statements has not been made known. Secretary Baker said he would go just as far as the military advisers of the government deemed it wise toward informing the public of what was in progress.

Information of every sort reaching the department will be scrutinized for publishable matter. When American troops get into action in France, daily statements probably will be issued, founded upon the reports from General Pershing.

Regarding many rumors of disasters to American troops or shipping constantly being circulated, Mr. Baker reiterated emphatically the pledge of the administration to withhold no misadventure of the forces from the public. Every untoward happening will be announced promptly, he said, and the public may rest assured that no news mean good news to that extent. Such rumors as have been current recently, he said, were without any foundation whatever.

REFUSE APPROVAL OF WOLF CREEK ROAD

SALEM, Or., Aug. 22.—State Treasurer Kay, acting for the state board of control, has awarded the \$400,000 of 4 per cent road bonds to E. H. Rollins & Son of Chicago, for \$388,040. This was the highest offer received when bids were opened last week.

This money is to be applied in matching the federal appropriation for improvement of forest and post roads in the state. While the state money soon will be available, the prospect for getting the co-operative work under way on the road selected by the state is not bright, because of the inability of the state highway department to prove to the satisfaction of the government that the road will be a rural post-road. The state highway commission selected a stretch of five miles, known as the Wolf Creek hill road, on the Pacific highway this side of Grants Pass, on which to begin the expenditure of the co-operative fund. The project would cost \$83,000, it is estimated. So far the government officials have declined to approve of using the government funds on that road.

GEORGE A. WHITE GIVEN RANK OF A MAJOR

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Geo. A. White, adjutant general of Oregon, has been appointed assistant divisional adjutant general, with rank of major. This will place him on the division staff with the troops in California.

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WHY GERMANY WANTS PEACE

THE reasons why Germany would like to have peace at the present time are manifold. Aside from the fact that she is stronger now than she will ever be again during this war, that she is now making war in enemy territory and holds vast reaches of Belgian, French, Russian, Serbian and Rumanian lands, there are conditions at home that make it wise, if not imperative, that the war come to an early end.

The Germans are a docile and disciplined people. They love a ruler and master. They apparently delight in being forbidden to do all manner of things. They are a folk among whom revolutions do not thrive. They have too wholesome a respect for the kaiser's soldiers and the kaiser's police.

But the ruling caste of Germany apparently knows there is a limit to which even Germans may be driven. Germany today is a land of thin, underfed, underclothed people. It is a land upon every home of which Death has laid his icy finger. There are blind men and maimed men in every village. It is a land in which people never smile any more. Carking care has taken the place of easy mirth.

And the depressed spirits of the people are not uplifted when they read in a worker's journal, like the Textilarbeiter of Berlin, that Bernhard Hauptig, a member of the textile workers' union, has "exchanged the temporal for the eternal life." Nor do they rejoice when the article continues that his relatives, applying for financial help, were instead given a death certificate by the district medical officer which said: "The undersigned hereby certifies that the 58-year-old factory worker, Bernhard Hauptig, was found dead on June 15 in Engelsberg pastures. According to investigations which were duly carried out, the above-named person died of starvation."

To which the Textilarbeiter added the terrible thought: "Hauptig is not the first nor will he be the last member of the textile workers' union to die of starvation."

This simple item, with its plain truths, gives the lie to the announcements of the Prussian masters that Germany has enormous resources and her food supply is holding out well. A land in which the resources are ample is not a land in which an industrious worker wanders the fields and dies of starvation like a neglected dog.

No wonder Vorwaerts, a socialist organ of Germany, which sometimes dares to hint at the truth, said in a recent issue:

"The present internal conditions in Germany remind one of the festive horseman immortalized in the Fliegende Blaetter who, being asked, 'Meyer, where are you riding to?' frankly replied, 'How do I know? Ask the horse.' 'We ask: 'Quo vadis Germania?'"

Now the socialists are not the only ones who are asking whether Germany is going. It is being asked sullenly, savagely, timidly or worriedly, as the case may be, by everyone in kaiserthum. All recognize that the breaking point may be reached. There is a stage beyond which even Germans will not endure. Wars have sometimes ceased because the people have absolutely refused to prosecute them any longer. Dynasties have sometimes been toppled into the dust because people have refused to starve any longer.

That is what is worrying the Hohenzollern outfit. They are not winning abroad and they fear conditions at home. Hence their strenuous efforts to end the war before winter, before defeat, before a starved and frozen people may find the courage to drive them from their thrones.

THE MISSISSIPPI ASS

THE loudest bray raised in the senate in behalf of Germany is by James K. Vardaman of Mississippi, one of the little band of willful men who use their public office to betray their country. He calls America's entry into the war an "entry for profits," and in long-winded sentences depicts himself as void of patriotism.

American honor, American prestige, American rights, American lives, American property—all these things might be attacked by the kaiser's men and there would not be a flicker of Vardaman's pulse. He is so pro-German that America's entrance into the great war means to him that America is stabbing Germany in the back while England and France hold her down.

The great American state of Mississippi—with its very small number of Teutons—1666 Germans and 417 Austrians—is well and ably represented in the United States senate by John Sharp Williams, who thinks and talks like an American. And the same great state—with 99.5 per cent native-born population—is sadly misrepresented by James K. Vardaman.

Fortunately Mississippi is shortly to decide whether Vardaman shall continue in the national capital or remain at home. He brayed his way into the senate some six years ago as a regulation "nigger" baiter. It is to be hoped that he will bray his way out as a dyed-in-the-wool friend of Germany.

TROLLEY SERVICE

RESUMED AT 'FRISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—Despite some minor outbreaks on the part of strikers, the United Railroads announced today that its street car service is gradually becoming normal thru the importation of substitutes. Strike leaders admitted an improvement in the car service over yesterday but continue their agitation. The question of firing union men riding on United Railroads cars is to be taken up Friday by the local labor council.

A conductor was badly beaten up early today and a motorman injured by a stone. After a riot last night a carman was sent to the hospital with a fractured skull, but he is expected to recover.

CANADA TO CEASE

MUNITION MAKING

OTTAWA, Aug. 22.—The imperial munitions board today announced that the production of munitions in Canada would be discontinued, as no longer necessary, except in some lines which in part will be produced in lessened quantities. Some of the plants affected by consequence will resume pre-war activities in their regular lines; others will engage in production of equipment for ships.

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ROAD UP COAST PLEDGED BY OFFICIALS OF TWO STATES

REDDING, Cal., Aug. 22.—Governor Stephens and party of state officials who have been touring the northwestern California state highways, were here today, returning from the Crescent City road meeting.

Pledges between Governor Withycombe and other Oregon officials and the Californians to build a low grade coast highway which will provide an all-year route from San Francisco to Portland, have been exchanged at Crescent City, at a two days' session.

At the meeting there Monday Del Norte county asked the state highway commission to build a paved highway from the Humboldt county line to the Curry county, Oregon, line, the request being backed by 50 boosters from Coos and Curry counties, Oregon, who pledged a continuation highway to Marshfield. The state commission promises such a highway only to Crescent City, asserting that Del Norte county shall receive nothing further from the state.

There were nineteen speakers at Monday night's meeting.

Commissioner Stern, for the California commission, gave an instructive explanation of the work in California.

Governor Stephens and James A. Johnson, warden of San Quentin prison, explained the use of convict labor on the highway and strongly endorsed the same as saving about 25 per cent in highway cost besides saving in prison administration. There was a picnic at Smith River, at which 500 were present. The speakers were: Governor Stephens, Warden Johnson, Judge Childs, Crescent City; and Benjamin C. Sheldon, Grants Pass, speaking for Governor Withycombe and the Oregon party.

AUSTRIA FAVORABLE TO PEACE PROPOSAL

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 22.—A telegram from the official Carr bureau of Vienna seems to indicate that Austria-Hungary will accept the pope's peace proposals. A summary of Austro-Hungarian press opinion circulated by the Carr bureau, says: "The newspapers regard the concrete proposals in the peace methods as a suitable basis for beginning peace negotiations, but doubt whether the entente shares this hope."

In view of the well known practices of the Carr bureau in preparing such summaries, this may undoubtedly be regarded as the government's voice. The bureau then ingeniously suggests that when the pope referred to territorial questions between Austria and Italy, he could not have had Austrian soil in mind, because the alienation thereof is not to be discussed.

HUNTER LOST IN CRATER LAKE WILDS FOR OVER A WEEK

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Aug. 22.—Fears for the safety of Horace Marshall, electrical engineer at the Fort Klamath Agency, Oregon, who is missing in the mountainous section of the Crater lake country, are now entertained by searchers who have searched the rugged district for nearly a week without finding the slightest trace of the man.

Park Commissioner W. G. Steel of the Crater Lake National park is aiding in the search.

According to reports reaching Klamath Falls, Mr. Marshall was last seen last Tuesday afternoon, when, carrying his gun and a small quantity of ammunition, he wandered away from companion hunters and evidently became lost. On his failure to return his friends started looking for him. The search has been continued daily.

The point where Mr. Marshall was last seen is in the western part of Klamath county and in what is known as the Red Indian country. This section of the country is exceptionally rough.

It is feared that Mr. Marshall may have wandered into the recesses of a box canyon from which he was unable to find his way out. Another theory is that he might have met with some accident or been accidentally drowned in Red Bluff river. This river empties into the Rogue river and searchers have been keeping a close watch for the appearance of the body in one of these rivers.

A. K. Wiggins, a Klamath resident, accompanied by his dog, is joining in the hunt. The dog is said to be unusually friendly to Mr. Marshall.

ENGINEERS' STRIKE IN ENGLAND POSTPONED

LONDON, Aug. 22.—An understanding has been reached between the government and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, who have been threatening a general strike of railway men. The society had demanded the adoption of an eight-hour day, but a delegation that visited Sir Albert Stanley, president of the board of trade, was informed on Sunday that the government would discuss the question of an eight-hour day only when the war was ended.

Later, however, the two sides entered into further negotiations and it was believed yesterday that a way would be found to reach an agreement.

FRENCH-AMERICAN SYNDICATE BY ARGENTINE STEAMERS

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