

PRESIDENT CALLS UPON ALL CITIZENS TO OBSERVE JULY 4

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Native Americans were called upon by President Wilson today to join with the foreign-born of the United States in celebrating upon the Fourth of July this year the birth of a new and greater spirit of democracy. Committees representing national organizations of nearly every element of the foreign born citizenship recently sent the president a petition announcing plans for a great demonstration on the Fourth of July of loyalty to the United States and the cause for which it is fighting, and asking the entire country to join with them.

The president tonight made public this reply, addressed to "Our citizens of foreign extraction:

President's Statement.

"I have read with great sympathy the petition addressed to me by your representative bodies regarding your proposed celebration of Independence Day, and I wish to convey to you, in reply, my heartfelt appreciation for its expression of loyalty and good will.

"Nothing in this war has been more gratifying than the manner in which our foreign born fellow citizens, and the sons and daughters of the foreign born, have risen to this greatest of all national emergencies. You have shown me where you stand, not only by your frequent professions of loyalty to the cause for which we fight, but by your response to calls for patriotic service, including the supreme service of offering life itself in the battle for justice, freedom and democracy. Before such devotion as you have shown, all distinctions of race vanish, and we feel ourselves citizens in a republic of free spirits.

Call to People.

"I, therefore, take pleasure in calling your petition, with my hearty commendation to the attention of all my fellow countrymen and I ask that they unite with you in making the Independence Day of this, the year when all the principles to which we stand pledged, are on trial, the most significant in our national history.

"As July 4, 1776, was the dawn of democracy for this nation, let us on July 4, 1918, celebrate the birth of a new and greater spirit of democracy, by whose influence we hope and believe, with the signers of the Declaration of Independence, dreamed of for themselves and their fellow countrymen, shall be fulfilled for all mankind."

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT HERE

Rev. W. O. Forbes, D. D., superintendent of Presbyterian Sunday school work for Oregon, Washington and Idaho, will speak next Sunday morning, May 26, in the Ashland Presbyterian church, and in the evening in the Central Point Presbyterian church. On Monday at 10:30 a. m. he will confer with the committee on religious education of the Presbytery of Southern Oregon, of which Rev. L. Myron Hooper of Grants Pass is chairman. Other members of the committee in attendance will be H. T. Hubbard of Medford, Rev. Oscar T. Morgan of Glendale, and Rev. W. J. Hoyt, Sunday school missionary.

FIFTY-SIX YAYNKEES LOST.

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- Chas. F. Hickler, Millville, Calif.
- Thaddeus Hodges, Mount Carmel, Utah.
- Clem Johnson, Martins Hill, Tex.
- Isador M. Knapp, St. Paul, Minn.
- John Kobus, South Milwaukee, Wis.
- Henry C. Lading, Strasburg, Ill.
- John S. Larsen, Chicago.
- Barney B. Williams, Dixon, Ky.
- Frank Lewandoski, Chicago.
- Clyde B. Lindsey, Clarksburg, Miss.

Into Lifeboats.

LONDON, May 25.—Less than a quarter of an hour after the Moldavia with American troops on board had been torpedoed off the southeast coast of England on Thursday morning, virtually every man had gone over the sides of the vessel into the lifeboats.

Edwin and Clyde Bosley of North Troy, Vt., leaped from the deck and were drowned. Had it not been for this the losses, which are given officially as 54 American soldiers, would have been confined to those killed by the explosion of the torpedo. The Bosley brothers were on guard when the ship was struck. There was a sharp list, and they evidently believed the ship was turning over.

MEXICO BREAKS WITH CUBA OVER ISSUES OF WAR

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tate measures that affect the interests of the Mexican government in many instances.

For this reason, it is declared, the making of representations that the Mexican representative would be forced to make to the Cuban government would be useless and would restrict the liberty of action of a friendly nation "which is now in an afflicted situation."

Mexican Explanation.

General Candido Aguilar, minister of foreign affairs, tonight gave out a statement for the announced purpose of avoiding a mis-interpretation of Mexico's action. The statement follows:

"The president of the republic and the cabinet at a special meeting have decided that it was an imperative necessity to recall the Mexican diplomatic representative to Cuba and to suspend for an indefinite period the sending of a new representative because it was considered an indispensable measure for the high ideals and interests of the two nations in the actual moments of an acute world crisis. The state of war in which Cuba is involved has obliged the government of Cuba to 'dictate measures which in many cases affect the interests of the Mexican government and her citizens and for this reason the Mexican legation would be called upon to make frequent representations to the Cuban government which would only be useless and which would restrict the liberty of action of a friendly nation which is now in an afflicted situation.

To Avoid Friction.

"In consequence, our diplomatic efforts would not produce at this time any practical results and would only produce tension in our relations which would have to be cleared up later to maintain unbroken the fraternal sentiments of solidarity which have always bound us to the people of Cuba and all Latin-American countries.

"Mexico, upon recalling her diplomatic representative from Cuba gives eloquent proof of her consideration and respect for the sovereignty of a friendly government which is now passing through a critical period. At the same time it furnishes proof of confidence, in virtue of which, the Mexican government expects her citizens will be treated with all the benevolence that the laws of Cuba and her institutions permit under which protection they will remain in that republic the same as her own nationals.

Carranza's Argument.

"In so doing the Mexican government complies faithfully with the line of conduct which President Carranza has proclaimed upon innumerable occasions as the highest ideal of a true society of nations, the equality of nationals and foreigners alike, and complete submission of all to the national sovereignty. The crisis having passed, as the one in which originated the revolution in our country is passing over, Mexico and Cuba will be in a better condition to renew diplomatic relations upon the basis of justice and equality only, and the great aspiration of the Mexican government in her new international relations."

The Cuban minister to Mexico, Dr. Zequiad Garcia Eizenga, has not yet arrived in Mexico City, having been appointed only recently. During the interval, Dr. Luis Santamaris y Calvo has been acting as charge. It was reported recently that he would leave for Cuba on a vacation and would return with the new minister.

The Mexican charge at Havana is Alberto O. Franca.

HEAVY FROST FOR SUNDAY MORNING

The weather seems to have a grievance against the gardens and fruit trees of the valley this spring, for on top of the daily frosts this week now comes the prediction from the San Francisco weather bureau of a heavy frost for tomorrow morning.

The frosts so far have done much damage, especially to garden truck, beans and tomatoes have been the hardest hit, also in many gardens the peas, potatoes and strawberries were badly frosted. The chilly weather of this week has held back greatly general growing produce. In low parts of the valley much damage has also been done to the buds on the fruit trees.

This morning's temperature in Medford was the same as that of Friday morning, 21 degrees, but in parts of the valley the temperature was 28 degrees.

AT THE RIALTO TOMORROW ONLY.

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PATRIOTIC PROGRAM AT REBEKAH LODGE

Tuesday evening Alice Rebekah lodge enjoyed a patriotic entertainment as follows:

Instrumental selection, Miss May Lindley.

Reading, Mrs. Stichel.

Song, "Tenting Tonight," by audience.

Dr. Heine presided and his remarks at this time were most fitting in the presentation of a silk service flag in the lodge which was unveiled by Mrs. Robbins, and was the gift from the following committee: Dr. and Mrs. Heine, Mr. Hall, Miss Myrtle Meadows and Mrs. Robbins. The flag contained two stars as there are only two members of the lodge in the service, Miss Becha Loftus and Sam Jones responded to the presentation. Speech was made by Mrs. Hadley and Mrs. Wiley and a standing vote of thanks given by the lodge.

The remainder of the program was a reading, "The Service Flag," by Mrs. Heine and a beautiful flag and song by eight young ladies, trained by Mrs. H. K. Miller. The young ladies were Eunice Brandon, Ethel Toppner, Wilhelmina Rippy, Gladys Hooker, Thelma Mills, Ruby Gashes. They were accompanied on the piano by May Lindley.

NO PAVING DURING PROGRESS OF WAR

R. A. Booth, state highway commissioner, and Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, have completed an inspection of the Pacific highway over the entire distance between Portland and the California state line, says the Eugene Daily Guard. Mr. Booth reports the road in very good shape except where traffic is being interfered with by work. At such places the road is bad, causing annoyance and expense to motorists, and even more to contractors. Most of the principal contracts he believes will be completed by July 1. The road will be in good shape then the entire distance. Some portions of it will need to be surfaced this year to protect the grades and if the bonds can be sold the commission will do this work this season.

No paving will be done, however, until the close of the year, except as is necessary to protect the grade and make the roads passable. There will be no hard surfacing done.

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RED CROSS NEEDS MORE THAN QUOTA FOR WAR WORK

Indications Saturday noon were that the Medford district would surely reach its quota by the time the drive comes to an end Monday night. But Campaign Manager Daniels and his many co-workers are bending every energy to far exceed the quota of \$10,000 that was allotted to the Medford district.

Subscriptions were still pouring in from persons who had been overlooked in the canvass of the city. Besides many persons were calling at headquarters and increasing the size of the subscriptions they had made earlier in the week.

At the prominent corners in the business section street booths were established today, at which women workers presided, where many subscriptions were taken in. Saturday promised to be one of the biggest days in the present drive. In the rural sections of the Medford district the work of rounding up dollars for the Red Cross was also at fever heat Saturday. Indications are that every section of the district and county will more than meet its patriotic duty.

On the necessity of every locality exceeding its quota in the drive the following telegram was received by Mr. Daniels last night from the state Red Cross campaign headquarters:

"General Manager Gibson, American Red Cross, writes: 'Impress upon every Red Cross worker necessity for every locality not only to equal minimum but to exceed quota as far as possible, for original estimates upon which minimum one hundred million was based bids fair to fall far below absolute requirements. Remember that the eyes of the world, including particularly our enemies, are watching with intense eagerness the result of this greatest voluntary effort of all times.'

E. F. Robinson was not a delinquent in the previous Red Cross campaign. Owing to an error Mr. Robinson's name appeared in the published list of delinquents. He paid his subscription on Oct. 5, 1917.

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CIRCUS TO SHOW JUST OUTSIDE LIMITS OF CITY

Despite the refusal of Mayor Gates and the city council to allow the Sells-Floto circus to show in Medford on Saturday, June 1st, the circus will appear here just the same and give its performances at the old race track which is outside the city limits and about five blocks from Main street.

However, because of the refusal of the city to grant the circus a license the show cannot give a parade inside the city and that usually welcomed feature of the big attraction will be dispensed with. The city will be out the big license fee which a circus always has to pay to obtain permission to appear in the city.

The decision of the Sells-Floto circus management to show here became known this morning when one of the advertising cars arrived in the city and a few minutes later lithographs announcing the date of the show were being placed in the store windows by circus employes. No attempt was made to put up circus posters on the billboards, however, as there is a city ordinance against it.

The patriotic stand taken by Mayor Gates and the council in barring the show from the city during the war is meeting with praise all from the newspapers of Oregon and the country.

When Mayor Gates arrived home this morning from attending the war conference at Portland and was told that the circus was going to show just outside the city limits, he said: "Very well, but they can't give a parade in the city."

The circus advance men state they cannot alter their schedule, which was made out and approved by the railroad months ago.

DIED.

JOHNSTON—L. E. Johnston died at the Northern Pacific hospital, Tacoma, Thursday, May 16th, of heart failure. He was aged 64 years, was a native of Ohio, and formerly lived in Gold Hill. He was a member of the I. O. O. F., Indianapolis lodge No. 79, Iowa. Burial was in the Jacksonville cemetery Monday, May 20th. Mr. Johnston is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nettie Johnston.

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