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WILSON PARDONS YOUNG SOLDIERS ASLEEP AT POST

WASHINGTON, June 19.—In granting unconditional pardon to two young soldiers sentenced to death for having slept on post at the front, President Wilson expected his action to set "as a challenge to devoted service for the future." The text of his order, identical in both cases, and made public today, says:

"In view of the youth of the privates (Forest D. Sebastian and Jeff Cook) and the fact that their offense seemed to have been wholly free from disloyalty or conscious disregard of their duty, I hereby grant them a full and unconditional pardon and direct that they report to their company for further military duty."

"The needs of discipline in the army with propriety impose grave penalties on those who imperil their fellows, and who endanger their country's cause by lack of vigilance or by infractions of rules in which safety has been found to rest. I am persuaded, however, that these young men will take the restored opportunity of their forfeited lives as a challenge to devoted service for the future and that the soldiers of the army of the United States in France will realize too keenly the high character of the cause for which they are fighting and the confidence which their country imposes in them to permit the possibility of further danger from any similar shortcomings."

IS STIMULUS TO COMMUNITY SINGING

The rehearsals of Mikado which performance takes place in the Phoenix grove on Friday evening, June 28th, has created great interest in community singing, and there is now a movement on foot to organize the singers of the Rogue River valley into a permanent organization for the purpose of giving a grand musical festival once each year during the summer months. This festival is contemplated to include presentation of opera, oratorio and dramatic performances.

What enterprise could be more worthy of a permanent place in the entertainment of our community? Properly organized we can have from time to time the celebrated artists and orchestras of the country to assist. This initial outdoor performance of "Mikado" will doubtless be the entering wedge to future festivals that will be a great asset to the intellectual and moral uplift of future summer entertainment here in the valley.

The rehearsals of "Mikado" are developing some unusual talent of which mention will be made later.

Notice to Alien Women. All German alien females in Medford and vicinity over the age of 14 must register with the chief of police, commencing at 6 o'clock Monday, June 17, and continuing on each day successively thereafter until and including the 26th day of June at 8 p. m., except Sunday.

J. F. ALEXANDER, U. S. Marshal, J. F. HUTTON, Chief of Police.

TRAINING SOUTH AMERICA.

A PARIS dispatch quotes Premier Clemenceau's newspaper L'Homme Libre as saying that advices received from Washington assert that a plan is under way for training troops of South American republics in the United States.

The splendid organization and magnificent results of the American system are apparent to the allies and much quicker results can be obtained from training Brazilians and other South American recruits here, with the American machinery already perfected, than could be secured if those countries attempted to create the training camps themselves.

It is a comparatively simple matter to add to existing cantonments or to build new ones, if necessary, with the experienced contractors and their equipment available. Another advantage is the concentration here of allied instructors. Speed is the essence of winning the war, and in no other way can the man-power of South America be made so quickly available.

Moreover the training of tens of thousands of South Americans in the United States would familiarize the various nationalities with each other, their methods and ways, produce a better mutual understanding and promote firmer friendship among the peoples.

The people of Latin-America are favorable to the allies—though some of the governments are not, because German influence is being exerted in favor of the maintenance of neutrality in those countries which have not already broken off diplomatic relations with the Hun. German agents, amply supplied with funds, used without stint or scruple, are constantly busy among the unscrupulous politicians.

The most potent agent of the kaiser in South America is the German Trans-Atlantic Bank, of Berlin, with branches in Spain and in all Latin countries, with hundreds of millions deposits. Its initials, B. A. T. (Banca Aleman Trans-Atlantic,) have given it the name, among allied residents, of Bat, and like a huge vampire with its wings spread over the continent, it is sucking the life blood of the people for the benefit of its junker owners.

Through this bank the spies and other agents of Germany are paid, credits for them transferred from one country to another, communication kept up between them in all parts of the continent and even the work of taking up German bond issues promoted. It has managed to get the fortunes of native Latin-Americans bound up in its affairs causing them to be directly interested in the maintenance of neutrality so as to prevent governmental action against it.

The common people of South America are against the Germans, because of sad experiences with Germans. Wherever the German becomes task-master, he is a slave-driver, and while employers favor German foremen, because of their slave driving, the people hate them and fear German domination. Wherever the German has secured concessions, Prussian methods have been employed and the natives enslaved. The average South American has found it easier to make a living and to enjoy independence than in the case anywhere else in the world. This is due chiefly to the large excess of land and resources over the demands of the population, to the relative freedom from the rigors of climate in some northern countries and to the absence of vast industrial establishments with their attending congestion and social inequalities. One reason for the frequency of revolutions is in the fact that there is no constant economic pressure upon the people to subdue their spirit and render them more tractable.

It is only a question of presenting the allied cause to the people of South America, to have every nation at war with the kaiser, and with their youth being trained in the United States and fighting side by side with the allies, the democracies of the world will be united socially as well as politically and an era of better understanding spread throughout the globe.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY COUNCIL CREATED

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Creation of the United States highway council, in which all functions of government agencies having control over street and highway construction will be re-ordinated, was announced today by the department of agriculture. The council was formed primarily to prevent delays, financial loss and uncertainty incident to the method of taking up each highway problem with a separate government agency and to that end will keep in constant touch with the various state highway commissions.

Composing the council are Lieutenant-Colonel W. D. Uhlir, representing the war department; G. C. Sheffield, the fuel administration; G. W. Kirtley, the railroad administration, and L. W. Page, the department of agriculture. J. E. Penypacker of the department of agriculture will be secretary, and Mr. Page will act as chairman of the council.

CONGRESS OPPOSES BONUS TO WORKERS

WASHINGTON, June 19.—The house today went on record as opposing payment of bonuses to workmen for extraordinary services in producing war materials by voting down, 205 to 87, a senate amendment to the naval appropriation bill permitting such payments. The proposal now goes back to conference.

SURGEONS PREFORM MARVELS TREATING ALLIED WOUNDED

FRENCH FRONT, June 19.—(Correspondent Associated Press) Marvels are being performed by the surgeons attached to the various entente armies. By exercising their skill they have restored to the fighting strength of the allied nations each year since the beginning of the war, a whole division of men who in other wars would have died of their wounds or would have been crippled for life.

The recent gigantic battle, as the result of which more wounded men than ever before have received surgical treatment within a short space of time, have remonstrated the immense strides made, not only in surgery, but in the methods of removing the wounded from the battle field and transporting them to hospitals. So effective is the cooperation between surgeons and physicians at the front and those at the hospitals in the rear that an immensely large proportion of the wounded recover than otherwise was the case at the beginning of the war.

Men whose legs or arms have been fractured by shell, now are restored to their regiments in a minimum of time. This is due mostly to the fact that they receive prompt treatment and surgical attention which prevents blood-poisoning and the stiffening of articulation. Their recovery is rapid in the hospitals behind the lines where they can be treated under comfortable conditions far from the nerve wrecking sound of guns.

Soldiers have been inspired with confidence in the army surgeons in the great battles around Verdun and in the great German offensive which began in March.

Promptness in the treatment of wounded men has been obtained by segregating them in classes according to the nature of their wounds. This was not generally done at the beginning of the war. The plan then in vogue was to erect large hospitals as near the fighting lines as possible, say ten or twelve miles from the front, and to send all classes there for treatment. When the battles occurred these hospitals were over crowded and owing to the delay in operating there were many cases of gangrene, tetanus and other infections that resulted fatally.

GRASSHOPPER PLAGUE IN KAMATH COUNTY

KLAMATH FALLS, June 18.—That the grasshoppers in certain portions of Klamath county are gaining a big foothold, and that steps on the part of the ranchers to exterminate them before they could obtain too much of a start should be taken is, the report of Special Field Agent Max M. Reeber of the United States department of agriculture, who is here now on a trip of inspection and who has just visited the Langell valley section, about 40 miles east of here.

Mr. Reeber declares that several of the large stock ranches in the upper end of the valley are rapidly becoming seriously infested with this pest, but that it is too late to do very effective work in poisoning them this year. Other parts of the county are declared to be menaced by the hoppers.

FEDERAL FARM LOANS DECREASE

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Government farm loans decreased in May, amounting to \$9,530,000 to 4,300 farmers, as compared with past monthly averages of about \$12,000,000, a report by the federal farm loan board shows. The Spokane land bank made the highest record with \$1,511,000 loans closed. Other banks' loans follow: Berkeley, \$436,000. The aggregate of loans closed by districts follows: St. Paul, \$15,798,600; Spokane \$15,720,755; Omaha \$12,459,190; Wichita \$11,726,300; Berkeley, \$6,220,200.

Watch Your Blood Supply, Don't Let Impurities Creep In

Pure Blood Means Perfect Health. The average druggist has handled hundreds of medicines in his day, some of which have long since been forgotten. But there is one that has been sold by the druggists throughout this country, for more than fifty years, and that is S. S. S., the reliable blood

LIONEL STRAHM AS THE SEA CAPTAIN AND JEAN STUART AS LISHA IN "THE WANDERER"



VALLEY OF 10,000 SMOKES EXPLORED BY GEOGRAPHERS

SEATTLE, Wash., June 19.—Alaska's great volcano, Mount Katmai, called the "Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes", is to be visited this year by two explorers sent north in the interest of the National Geographic Society, the organization that last year sent Professor Robert Griggs, of the Ohio State college to make the first exploration of the mountain.

The two men going north this year are Jasper D. Sayer and Paul R. Hagelbrager. They are also from the Ohio State college and, it is believed here, were recommended by Professor Griggs. It is thought at the University of Washington here that Professor Griggs would have returned to the mountain this year, but did not do so because he could not get back in time for the opening of the fall semester at college.

Sayer and Hagelbrager will attempt to reach the crest from an opposite direction from that taken by Professor Griggs and his party. The two left here recently for the north and probably will spend the entire summer studying the mountain.

Katmai is the greatest crater on the face of the globe, according to Professor Griggs. It is over nine miles in circumference and 3600 feet deep. It burst forth in 1912 and sent out fire and ashes that fell on an average depth of ten feet for a radius of 100 miles. It is said there was an appreciable fall of ashes as far south as Victoria, B. C., and scientists claimed they found Katmai ashes in Virginia, North Africa and parts of Europe.

Before the 1912 eruption very little was known of Katmai. In 1916 Professor Griggs visited the mountain but did not make an extensive exploration.

SOUTH AMERICANS MAY TRAIN IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Training in the United States of troops of some western nation or nations also at war with Germany is under consideration and the war department is preparing to ask congress for an appropriation to cover such activity.

WOMEN INJURED BY EMPLOYMENT AS CAR CONDUCTORS

NEW YORK, June 19.—Charging the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company with "inexcusable neglect" in employing women and girl conductors as young as 14 years, and subjecting them to conditions "detrimental to their physical, mental and moral well being," a grand jury here today urged the immediate enactment of legislation "to protect the self-respecting womanhood of the country."

The inquirers, after an investigation covering several weeks, reported that the street railway company had hired women of questionable character and drug addicts and that they often were required to work more than 10 hours a day. The conditions at the car burns, the jury said, were "injurious to the community in general, and particularly as affecting many decent women now employed or desiring employment by the companies."

The opinion declared that while no violation of existing law had been found, no exigency, however great, would warrant the continuance of the conditions revealed.



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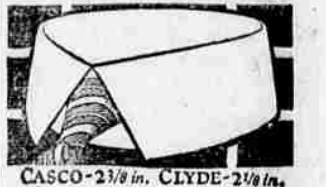
AMERICANS BORN IN GERMANY UNITE TO AID AMERICAN

NEW YORK, June 19.—The 15,000,000 loyal German-Americans in this country are to be welded into a help-win-the-war organization. A national movement headed by William Forster, president of the Liederkrantz, has been begun to encourage the loyal German-Americans in their support of the government, and to eradicate the suspicion that has been placed upon them by the vicious German propaganda throughout the country.

In an official statement issued last night Mr. Foster declared that it was the intention of the new organization, known as the National Patriotic Council of Americans of German Origin, to form shoulder to shoulder committees of straight Americans and those of German origin in the campaign to utilize the power of millions of loyal German-Americans throughout the nation.

The organization will consist of a national council, with headquarters in this city. There will be state councils in every state where German-Americans are numerous. The governors of these states will be requested to join these committees. Subsidiary committees will be organized in every town and city to carry on the work.

The local councils, to obtain close co-operation and prove the sincerity of the German-Americans, will request members of the local National Defense, Liberty Loan, War Industries and Red Cross committees to serve with them.



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Medford, Oregon, Jan. 18, 1917. TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, had very severe stomach trouble and had been bothered for several years and last August was not expected to live, and hearing of Gim Chung (whose Herb Store is at 241 South Front street in Medford) I decided to get herbs for my stomach trouble, and I started to feeling better as soon as I used them, and today am a well man and can heartily recommend anyone afflicted as I was to see Gim Chung and try his Herbs. (Signed) W. R. JOHNSON.

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