

GERMANS RUSHING TROOPS WESTWARD

BOLSHEVIKI PREPARE TO PUT DOWN OPPOSITION

HEAVY GERMAN REINFORCEMENTS ARE NOW ARRIVING IN FRANCE — ARTILLERY DUELS IN PROGRESS ALL ALONG THE WESTERN FRONT

GERMAN MUNITION TRAINS, RUSHING SUPPLIES TO WEST FRONT COLLIDE, KILLING AND WOUNDING HUNDREDS OF SOLDIERS

By Associated Press DATELESS—Heavy German reinforcements have arrived in France, according to the belief of the allied generals, but where the expected blow will fall is yet to be disclosed.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—An Amsterdam report says that the Germans are rapidly pushing troops to the western front, with the idea of smashing the entente allies before America will be able to act.

One result of this move was the collision last Thursday of two German munition trains, which were both blown up, and several hundred soldiers killed and wounded.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The situation in Moscow today is reported most grave. The Bolsheviks have placed machine guns in the streets, fearing an uprising of the counter revolutionary parties.

The garrison has showed signs of insubordination, and is reported to be disobeying the commands of the Bolshevik commander, a soldier named Muranoff.

A considerable number of troops are now being rushed from the west front to be sent against the Cosacks.

FORMER RUSSIAN RESIDENT ENTERS GOVERNMENT SERVICE

FULLMAN, Wash., Dec. 17.—Dr. F. A. Golder, professor of history at Washington State College here, has gone to Washington, D. C., to work with the government for the duration of the war in connection with Russian affairs.

Dr. Golder has made several trips to Russia in recent years, the latest last spring, and was there when the Kerensky revolution broke out. He became personally acquainted with the premier and other members of the government, and acted as interpreter for the Root mission while it was in Russia.

LOCAL MAN IS CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT

PROPRIETOR OF CITY STORAGE WAREHOUSE IS ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLEMENT OF FUR AND WOOL—TRIAL NOW ON

At the conclusion of the civil action in the Circuit Court yesterday afternoon, the work of drawing the jurors for the action of the state against J. H. Satterlee commenced. Seven jurors were drawn before the court closed, and the rest were obtained this morning.

Satterlee is charged with the embezzlement of dry pelts and dead wool to an approximate value of \$237. He is represented by Attorneys Rutens & Yaden.

SHEEP STEALING CASE IS HEARD

EASTERN KLAMATH MAN FACES CHARGE IN JUSTICE COURT—IS DECLARED TO HAVE WRONGLY TAKEN 36 SHEEP

Trial of William Culver, a sheep herder in Eastern Klamath county, for the larceny of thirty-six head of sheep belonging to O. T. McKendrie, commenced last evening in the justice court of E. W. Gowan, and is being continued today.

It is alleged that the defendant, who is employed by Ivan Kilgore, took the sheep, which were marked with McKendrie's brand, and placed them with the Kilgore band. Interesting developments are suggested before the case is concluded.

The complaining witness, O. T. McKendrie, is represented by Judge Thomas Drake, while Attorney Horace M. Manning appears for the defendant.

At the close of the hearing, Culver was bound over to the action of the grand jury, and his bonds placed at \$1,000.

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He was in Russia in 1914 for the Carnegie institute, and while there on that trip gathered material for a recently published book, "A Guide to American History in the Russian Archives."

It is believed the pigeon was injured in the explosion, and entered the window of a house near the damaged section. The text of the message has not been made public yet.

UNCLE SAM CAN NOW DEAL WITH SPIES

GOVERNMENT'S HANDS NOW MATERIALLY STRENGTHENED FOR DEALING WITH ENEMIES AT HOME, SAYS OFFICIAL

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Only the cold figures showing the results of the work of the department of justice in coping with German plotters in this country are given in Attorney General Gregory's annual report submitted to congress.

None of the details of the operations of the secret service of that department, touching almost every condition from the romantic to the sordid, are disclosed. Most of those most necessarily remain untold until the end of the war, when a set of volumes rivaling the most exciting tales of fiction might be written from them.

In dealing with the enemies within the department has found that the espionage law, the trading with the enemy act and the prosecution of seditious conspiracy have been fruitful of results.

"The government's hands have been materially strengthened, so that it now has power to deal with disturbing malcontents," says the attorney general's report.

"The prosecution of William D. Haywood and other leaders of the so-called Industrial Workers of the World, to the number of more than 150 in the Northern District of Illinois is an instance of how these laws may be employed for the public protection in time of stress. The effect of these prosecutions is already having a far reaching and highly beneficial influence towards the maintenance of order and obedience to law throughout the country."

KLAMATH BAKER BUYS BUSINESS

KLAMATH FALLS MAN TAKES OVER INTEREST OF MEDFORD PARTNER IN BAKERY PLANTS AT HUGE CONSIDERATION

The dissolution sale of the Nurmi bakeries at Klamath Falls and Medford, hitherto conducted by the firm of Nurmi & Hervi, has resulted in the taking over of the entire business by J. Hervi of this city at a consideration of \$34,900.

George Ulrich, the receiver, has announced that the new owner has already taken over the local establishment, and will assume control of the Medford plant in a few days. This business, which was commenced on a small scale a few years ago, has now reached extensive proportions, the plants both at Klamath Falls and Medford doing a very large business.

EMPLOYERS RIGHTS UPHELD

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—The employers' right to prevent labor unions from soliciting non-union employees to join their organization was upheld here in Supreme Court test cases against the United Mine Workers of America.

Klamath Irrigation District Is Formed

Farmers of County Almost Unanimous In Desire For Change Under Which Several Advantages Are Obtained Not Possible in the Water Users' Association

With a total opposition of five votes out of 169 cast at the election Saturday, the Klamath Water Users voted to change from a water users association to the Klamath Irrigation District, taking advantage of laws recently passed in the state legislature, and following the example of a large per cent of water users on other reclamation projects.

The change is heartily recommended by the officials of the reclamation service, who point out the fact that under this regime all lands included in a project are forced to bear a part of the expenses, thus forcing development and reducing speculative investment, and also that farmers will be able to take advantage of the federal loan system, impossible now because their lands are held by a first mortgage to the government until the water rights are paid. The results of the election were announced this morning.

Following is the result by precincts:

Table with 2 columns: Precinct Name, For, Against. Rows include Klamath Falls, Midland, Mt. Laki, Olene, Merrill, Malls.

LENGTHY CIVIL SUIT CONCLUDED

COMPROMISE VERDICT IS RETURNED IN CIRCUIT COURT IN CIVIL ACTION, FOLLOWING FOUR DAYS' TRIAL

Following a lengthy trial in the Circuit Court, a compromise verdict was rendered last night in the civil suit of the Seehorn Wood company against Pelton & Loosely of Fort Klamath, in awarding the plaintiff the sum of \$546.71. The dispute arose over the alleged non-delivery of a large quantity of hay by the defendants. A claim for damages for non-delivery and one for over-payment were asked in the complaint. In the former something like \$2,992.05 was asked and \$319 given. On the second \$239.96 was asked and \$237.71 awarded.

The latter claim was acknowledged by the defendants, and a tender of about \$300 made preceding the action as shown by the evidence, to settle the entire claim.

Those on the jury were M. L. Allison, R. E. Smith, Geo. B. Chamberlain, J. W. Dupuy, P. L. Fountain, F. R. Matt, Jasper Bennett, Wm. M. Cheyne, Henry Voss, Francis Bowne and F. O. Freuer.

Rutens & Yaden were plaintiffs' attorneys, Judge Thomas Drake appeared for the defendants.

ADVISORY BOARDS ARE APPOINTED To work with the local exemption boards in the work of the coming new draft regulations, the medical advisory boards have been authorized by Provost Marshal Crowder.

NATIONAL DRY AMENDMENT UP

AMENDMENT FOR NATION WIDE PROHIBITION ALREADY PASSED BY THE SENATE—TO BE TAKEN UP BY HOUSE MONDAY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—By a unanimous consent the house has agreed to consider next Monday the constitutional amendment for nation wide prohibition, already passed by the senate.

The judiciary committee has reported the amendment for nation wide woman suffrage without recommendation.

SENATE COMMITTEE TO START INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—A general inquiry into the operations of the war department in the arming and equipping the American forces has been decided upon by the senate military affairs committee.

The senate committee will also investigate the coal and sugar shortages.

Red Cross Drive Starts Next Week

Preparations are now under way for the big holiday Red Cross drive which is to start on next Monday, December 17th. The drive in Klamath County, in which it is hoped to bring the membership up to 2,500, will be conducted under the leadership of W. O. Smith.

An attempt will be made over the nation to increase the membership from 5,000,000 to 15,000,000. It is hoped and expected that a very large number who identified themselves with the Red Cross during the

drive last summer will waive the balance of their membership and take out new ones for the full year of 1918.

Committees for all sections of the county have been named, and a house to house canvass of this entire district is to be made. A membership of 2,500 in Klamath County means a representative of almost every family in the county. The membership will range from \$1 a year up to \$50, giving the privilege of membership in reach of practically everyone.

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RED CROSS WILL SHIP YARN GOODS

ORDERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY LOCAL SOCIETY TO FORWARD IMMEDIATELY ALL KNITTED GARMENTS

The local Red Cross Society has received orders today from headquarters to ship immediately all knitted goods now on hand. In accordance with these instructions, one shipment has gone forward today, and another will be sent Saturday.

It is earnestly desired that all those who have work under way finish it if possible before the shipment Saturday, and the instructions received specify that a report must be made to the local headquarters on material that is out, and will not be made up for this delivery.

The cold winter season has made the demand for the knitted goods very urgent.

MASONS ELECT LAST EVENING

ARTHUR A. LEAVITT WILL HEAD THE LOCAL LODGE FOR COMING YEAR—E. R. REAMES COMMENCES FIFTEENTH YEAR AS TREASURER

Klamath Lodge No. 77, A. F. & A. M., held their annual election of officers last evening and the following were chosen for the coming year: Arthur Reed Leavitt, Worshipful Master; Geo. C. Ulrich, Senior Warden; Willard L. Smith, Junior Warden; E. R. Reames, treasurer, and Albert E. Elder, secretary.

The two latter officers were re-elected, Mr. Reames having served as treasurer for over fifteen years. Installation ceremonies will be held on St. John's Day, December 27th.

STORK ARRIVES TODAY

The annual visit of Santa Claus at the home of County Surveyor J. C. Cleghorn, has been preceded this year by one from the stork. A 9-pound daughter arrived this morning at the Cleghorn home at 325 Tenth street. Dr. George I. Wright was in attendance.

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THIRTEEN NEGROES EXECUTED IN TEXAS

MEN WHO PARTICIPATED IN HOUSTON RIOT IN AUGUST ARE HANGED AT FORT HOUSTON THIS MORNING IN PRESENCE OF ARMY OFFICERS

NUMBER OF OTHERS SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT FOR PARTICIPATION—SHERIFF OF BEXAR COUNTY ONLY CIVILIAN PRESENT AT EXECUTION

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 11.—Thirteen negroes were hanged this morning at execution minutes past seven at Fort Sam Houston for complicity in the riot in Houston August 23d.

They were Sergeants William Nesbitt, Corporals Larnon Brown, James Wheatley, Jess Moore, Charles Battimore, Privates William Brackridge, Thomas Hawkins, Charles Snodgrass, Ira Davis, James Divins, Frank Johnson, Risley Young and Pat McWhorter.

A number of others were sentenced to life imprisonment. There were none present at the hanging except army officers and the Sheriff of Bexar County. The time and place of execution were kept quiet.

The riot last summer at Houston was participated in by members of a negro regiment stationed at a camp nearby, following alleged mistreatment by Houston police. A number were killed and wounded in the riot.

OREGON WILL CO-OPERATE IN SOLDIERS' BIBLE CAMPAIGN

PORTLAND, Dec. 11.—In connection with the campaign of the American Bible Society for testaments to be supplied to soldiers, David Hinshaw, national campaign manager of the association has telegraphed to Y. M. C. A. secretaries throughout the country, stating that John R. Mott urges association secretaries to co-operate in the campaign. Governor Withycombe has endorsed the campaign in Oregon.

Suspicious Discovery Is Made In Halifax

HALIFAX, Dec. 11.—The police here have announced the capture of a carrier pigeon bearing a message in German under its wing. The bird was marked "New York 29."