

RUSSIA BEING GROUND BY OPPRESSOR

HUNS ACTS GIVE LIE TO SPEECH OF LEADER

HOOPS OF ENEMY PRESS THROUGH RUSSIA, WHILE CHANCELLOR AT HOME DECLARES POLICY NOT ONE OF AGGRESSION

AND WOMEN NOW BUILDING TRENCHES AROUND PETROGRAD—BOLSHEVIKI OFFERS OF PEACE ARE REFUSED

Summary by Associated Press. Alho Chancellor von Hertling declared Germany's intentions in the war were not those of aggression or conquest, the German military authorities have declined to accept an armistice in view of the belated offer to accept peace. The Russian troops continue their onward march in Russia, while the bolsheviks are bending every effort to prevent a revolution and save Petrograd. It is now reported that the German troops who occupied Pskov yesterday have now reached Luga, midway between Pskov and Petrograd. Much street fighting in Pskov continues, while workmen and troops are being sent from Petrograd and Moscow to check the advance of the enemy. The German women are building trenches and defensive positions around Petrograd.

It has been decided that the bolshevik government will retire to Moscow if the Germans succeed in occupying Petrograd. A provisional government will be formed in Estonia. Heavy artillery action is in evidence along the western front.

MEMBER NOMINATE TOMORROW NIGHT

Tomorrow night will be the last night for the nomination of officers for Klamath Falls Lodge 1247 B. P. O. Elks, and an entire new set of officers for the ensuing year will be elected at the session on March 7th. Plans are to be made tomorrow night for the special entertainment on election night, and also for the big informal dance this Friday evening. It may be that the official visit of the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler will be made on election night, and if so, initiation will be held at that time.

NEW MEMBER FOR HIGHWAY COMMISSION

SALEM, Feb. 27.—It is understood

LIBERTY CHORUS FORMED

GROUP OF KLAMATH'S BEST SINGERS ORGANIZED TO AID IN THE COMING THIRD LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN

To promote the work of the Third Liberty Loan campaign, which will soon be launched in Klamath County, a large chorus composed of some of the city's best singers is being organized and frequent practices will be held, commencing tonight. The first meeting for the organization was held Monday night in the domestic science building of the Central school.

Augusta Parker has been selected as leader and chairman of the chorus. The meeting tonight will be held in the Central school assembly room. Members of the chorus are: Misses Gertrude Parker, Vera Houston, Mable Mears, Josie Low, Clara Calkins, Laura Hammer, Mollie J. Beckley, Matt Smith, A. J. Voss, H. G. McHardy; Messrs. M. D. Johnson, B. Henry, Arthur Lund, H. R. Glaisyer, Lawrence Mahaffey, H. A. Staples, Burge Mason, Geo. Walton, Marion S. Taylor, W. L. Smith, C. D. Chorpening, Wm. C. Hurn, W. S. Shough, Geo. A. Haydon, W. U. Foster, E. M. Chilcote, Rev. E. P. Lawrence, C. A. Cleveland, Paul Seligman and Chas. W. Eberlein. Miss Elizabeth Houston is pianist.

PROMINENT LAKE COUNTY MAN KILLED

BUSINESS MAN AND STOCKMAN OF FAIRLEY SHOT YESTERDAY AFTERNOON—WAS MEMBER OF LOCAL LODGE OF ELKS

Meager news of the death by shooting of E. O. Lamm, a prominent business man and stock man of the Fairley district, has been received by wire here.

No details of the affair are available except that he was shot and died at 2:30 yesterday. Mr. Lamm was a member of the Klamath Falls Lodge of Elks.

here that the governor will not reappoint Highway Commissioner Adams again when his term expires on March 1st. The feud between Adams and Commissioner Benson of Portland is one of the reasons for the governor's stand. No applicants have been mentioned thus far.

WAR GARDEN CAMPAIGN TO BE STARTED

COUNTY ORGANIZATION LAID OUT AND RIGOROUS WORK PLANNED FOR GETTING ALL GROUND IN CULTIVATION

"Make Klamath County self supporting with war gardens this year," is the slogan which will be followed in a vigorous campaign to get every available inch of ground into production of some sort of foodstuff, and although it is some time before the planting season will actually commence, a campaign will at once be inaugurated to get the necessity of this work firmly impressed on the minds of the people.

Following the visit last week of State Leader of Agricultural Agents Paul V. Maris, a central committee composed of H. R. Glaisyer, George T. Baldwin, Edna Wells, C. R. Bowman, R. H. Dunbar, Will Mason, Ida Momyer and Fred Fleet have been working out a county organization plan suggested by Mr. Maris.

Plans have been laid for a survey of lots in the towns of the county, calling in the older school children if necessary to aid in the work. A regular canvass will then be made to secure the use of the lots and arrangements made for getting them under cultivation. A special committee will be named to give instructions to all who are not used to this work, and personal aid given in management.

The rural districts will be approached thru County School Superintendent Edna Wells, and thru the community committees by County Agent H. R. Glaisyer.

It is also believed that the movement will be stimulated by publicity of various kinds.

The following town committees have been named: Merrill, Fred Peterson, E. M. Bubb, W. C. Dunning; Bonanza, J. L. Clayton, J. O. Hamaker and Mrs. Dr. Johnson; Klamath Falls, R. H. Dunbar, H. R. Glaisyer, Carlyle Yaden and W. H. Mason.

It is indicated that garden truck will not be shipped into Klamath Falls, as it has been previously, and that it will be up to the people to raise what they need for their own use and more, if possible.

This move is not confined to Klamath County, or to Oregon, but is being urged upon the people all over the Nation most strongly by the leaders of the government, who realize how very stringent the food question is becoming.

MERRILL RELIEF CORPS BUSY

Mrs. Ramsby, president of the Woman's Relief Corps of Klamath Falls, and Mrs. Ed Martin were visitors of the Merrill Corps Saturday.

Fred L. Pope has given a Shetland pony to the Woman's Relief Corps, which will be disposed of at a raffle at an early date.

The following have made sweaters for the Red Cross under the supervision of the Merrills Corps: Mrs. Hobbs, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Finley S., Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Merritt, Mrs. Purdy, Mrs. Rathie, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Lizzie Oldfield S. Two pair of socks have been knitted by Mrs. Purdy and three pair by Mrs. Merritt.

WAIVES EXAMINATION

James King, the young man arrested here yesterday charged with forging a check and passing it at the Gun Store, waived examination late yesterday afternoon before Justice of the Peace E. W. Gowen, and will be bonded over to the action of the grand jury. He will be held here, pending such action.

U. S. Getting Out 13,000 Rifles Daily

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 27.—Satisfactory equipping of the army is now assured, Secretary of War Baker has officially announced. Rifle and cartridge production reached a plane guaranteeing plenty of fighting material for the American army in France. Since April 6th this country has turned out 700,000 rifles. For the week ending February 9, 13,013 rifles was the daily output, with 71,192 for the week. This was four times as many in one week as Great Britain turned out in ten months of war, the secretary said. Also, at the end of ten months of war, the United States has produced twice as many rifles as Great Britain did after 2 1/2 years of war. Production has been hampered, the secretary said, by the difficulty of procuring steel and skilled labor. The rifles being made are a combination of the Enfield and Springfield. Some \$400,000,000 has been spent to produce these results. The production of cartridges during January was, says the secretary, 7,500,000 a day.

Captives In Jerusalem Treated With Courtesy

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Contrasted with the German proclamation threatening punishment upon the women and children of Jerusalem, if they failed to work in the fields for six hours every day, under German domination, the order issued by the British commander to the people of Jerusalem after the capture of that city, shows the different manner in which the entente and the central powers wage war. The British order reads: "It is my desire that every person should pursue his lawful business without fear of interruption. Furthermore, since your city is regarded with affection by those of the great religions of mankind, and its soil has been consecrated by the prayers and pilgrimages of the devout for many centuries, therefore be it known that every sacred building, monument, holy spot, shrine, pious bequest, or customary place of prayer, will be maintained and protected, according to the existing customs and beliefs of those whose faiths they are sacred."

BIG CAMPAIGN PREPARATIONS UNDER WAY

KLAMATH COUNTY FIRST IN STATE TO GET WORK FOR THIRD LIBERTY LOAN STARTED—CORPS OF WORKERS NOW BUSY

That Klamath County was the first in the state to be organized and get under way in its preparations for the coming Third Liberty Loan campaign was in effect the answer sent the state manager by County Chairman Charles J. Ferguson in answer to a letter asking what was being done in this section.

A corps of workers have been at work for some time at special quarters in the Loomis building under the direction of Mr. Ferguson, tabulating the financial condition of residents in all sections of the county, as far as they are able from the figures and records available. The entire county has been gone over in precincts, and Chairman Ferguson reports that seven precincts have now been completed. When this work is completed a committee of twelve citizens will pass an estimate on what each one should do in the matter of purchasing bonds. The letter received by Mr. Ferguson follows: "What's doing in Klamath County? If the work is not performed we hold you responsible. Just received the following wire from Bernard Daly at Lake County: 'All committees appointed and at work following suggestions of your committee. Most effective organization in Oregon. Am sending you a list of committees...'

Captain O. C. Applegate of this city is to be granted a pension by the United States government in recognition of his efficient services at the time of the Modoc war, according to word received from Washington, D. C. The pension will amount to \$30 per month, and is to commence with March of this year. Representative Hawley and other influential persons at Washington have been instrumental in getting the matter thru. Captain Applegate, whose prominence in the Indian war is well known, was instrumental in securing the passage of the act of March 4, 1871 under which the veterans of the Modoc war and other Indian wars since 1860 are eligible to pensions.

WAR INSURANCE EXTENDED TILL APRIL TWELFTH

RED CROSS SOCIETY EVERYWHERE IS URGING SOLDIERS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OFFER BEFORE TIME LIMIT EXPIRES

Information has been received by members of the Red Cross Society to the effect that the applications to soldiers war risk insurance have been extended to April 12th, and the members of this organization are doing everything possible to get as many of the boys as possible to take advantage of this opportunity.

Relatives are urged by the Red Cross members to bombard their soldier relatives with requests that they insure.

The campaign conducted by the Red Cross everywhere has had wonderful success. But 20 per cent of men were insured when the Red Cross got to work by letter, telegraph and cable. Now 1,000,000 men are insured and 750,000 uninsured, so from 20 per cent the percentage mark has leaped to 57 per cent.

The United States government is now sending 200 men to every cantonment and France to urge the necessity of war insurance.

BIG CATTLE SHIPMENT GOES TO SACRAMENTO

CHOICE BEEF CATTLE BOUGHT LAST FALL FROM EASTERN KLAMATH RANCH, SHIPPED SOUTH YESTERDAY

M. T. Howard shipped nine carloads of choice beef cattle to the Swanson company of Sacramento yesterday. These cattle were purchased from the Brookvale stock farm, owned by Louis Gerber, last October, and have been kept since that time for the company by Fred Stukel. The cattle were shipped from Midland.

TAFT NAMED AS MEDIATOR

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 27.—Former President Taft has been selected by the representatives of the capital to appear for them in joint conference between the employers and employees, to establish a basis of relations during the war.

Von Hertling's Speech Not Taken Seriously

PARIS, Feb. 27.—The press generally considers Count von Hertling's speech to the reichstag as simply a continuation of Germany's efforts to create differences between the allies. It has been termed a speech of hypocrisy.

HOARDERS OF GRAIN CAUGHT IN CALIFORNIA

MANY INDICTMENTS EXPECTED SOON—SHIPYARD GUARD IN NEW JERSEY PREVENTS THE WRECKING OF PLANT BY PROMPT ACTION

EXTENTE FORCES LOSE FIFTEEN AIRPLANES TUESDAY, ACCORDING TO BERLIN—TREMENDOUS DAMAGE DONE BY RAIDER "WOLF"

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—A big roundup of hoarders of grain and flour in California has been completed by the state food administration. Substantial evidence has been secured against about twenty-five dealers, and immediate prosecutions are expected.

NEWBURG, N. J., Feb. 27.—An attempt to blow up the machinery in the shipyard plant here was frustrated only after a guard had picked up a bomb and hurled it out of danger. It exploded doing some damage.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—The Germans brought down fifteen of the entente airplanes and three captive balloons Tuesday.

The raider Wolf destroyed at least thirty-five vessels during its recent voyage thru the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans, according to an official announcement. Some were loaded with English troops.

HOSPITAL SHIP SUNK YESTERDAY

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The British hospital ship, the Glenart Castle, was sunk yesterday in the British Channel. There were no patients aboard. Some of the survivors have been landed by an American torpedo boat. Eight boats are reported to be still afloat.

BRITISH FREIGHTER IS SUNK BY HUNS

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The British freighter Philadelphia, a vessel of 5,000 tons, has been sunk by submarines. She had a cargo headed for British ports. No details are available of the catastrophe.

Fuel Administration Blamed For Shortage

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 27.—Senator Reed of Missouri told the senate subcommittee that the responsibility of the coal shortage lay squarely with the fuel administration, which had issued a recent fuel order to "extricate itself from its self-created dilemma."