

HUN GOVERNMENT FACES CRISIS

WILSON OPPOSING SINKING WARSHIPS

GERMANS DENY ADDRESSING NOTES EXCLUSIVELY TO AMERICA AFTER WARNING—SARCASTIC PRESS COMMENTS APPEAR

PRESIDENT SAYS BIG TASK OF FEEDING HUNGRY LIBERATED NATIONS IS ABOUT COMPLETED—HOOVER IN CHARGE

(By Associated Press)

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The Ebert government at Berlin is reported to be facing another crisis thru the resignation of the minority members of the cabinet.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—President Wilson considers the most pressing problem, that of supplying food to the starving peoples of the liberated countries, is now nearly solved.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The Berlin government officially denies the fact that it continued to address notes exclusively to the United States after being warned to send them simultaneously to all the hostile belligerents.

"It is inconceivable that the United States goes so far as to expect that the people who are entirely innocent of starting war, will take their new government and crawl quietly into a corner and expire."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—It may be authoritatively stated that the President will oppose in the most direct fashion, all proposals to sink warships surrendered by Germany.

LARGE RANCH NEAR WORDEN IS SOLD HERE

A really deal was completed here Saturday afternoon by which C. J. McCullum purchased five hundred and forty acres in the Worden district from Mrs. W. O. Smith of this city.

SURPRISE PARTY FOR RED CROSS WORKERS

A surprise was given the Saturday Red Cross workers by Mrs. I. Olds in form of a delicious luncheon in which the Rex Cafe truly advertised their serving ability and chef.

FIFTEEN TAKE TEACHERS EXAMS.

A total of fifteen teachers participated in the teachers examinations which were completed at the Klamath County High School Saturday afternoon, according to County School Superintendent Edna Wells.

OREGON CASUALTY LIST TODAY.

- Killed in Action: Pvt. Aubrey P. Jones, Salem; Pvt. Ernest J. Moonhouse, La Grande; Pvt. Alfred Christensen, Lents; Wounded, degree undetermined: Corp. Albert H. Leyner, Irving; Private Roger F. Anderson, Florence; Lieut. Julius C. Moreland, Portland; Pvt. Love A. Conrad, Springfield; Pvt. Edmund Ragones, Astoria; Pvt. Leo O. Walker, Ashland; Died of Disease: Pvt. Wilfred King, Hood River; Missing in Action: Pvt. Paul H. Kuhl, Portland; Wounded Severely: Pvt. Clarence F. Fay, McMinnville; Lieut. Frank H. Foster, Fossil; Lieut. Wm. H. Ellenburg, Corvallis; Pvt. Louie N. Nelson, Tillamook; Pvt. Jack Iverson, Silverton; Serg. Edward Hardy, Portland; Wounded Slightly: Serg. Jerry Prutton, Rainier, Ore.; Pvt. Horace R. Ritchie, Corvallis; Chauffeur, Theo. Justesen, Kent; Pvt. Geo. A. Egert, Portland; Pvt. Bill Collins, Portland; Pvt. Andrew Amacher, Portland; Pvt. Otto A. Rieger, Portland.

BARBER SHOPS CLOSE WEDNESDAY.

The barbers of the city are not going to miss a visit from Santa Claus this Christmas by hanging around their shops. They are going to sleep as long as possible and give old St. Nick a chance to stuff their stockings full.

UPPER LANGELL VALLEY TO GET WATER ON LAND

HEAVY FAVORABLE VOTE CAST AT ELECTION SATURDAY INDICATES THAT IRRIGATION FOR LARGE TRACT IS IMMINENT

By an overwhelming majority of 47 to 9, the residents of Upper Langell Valley voted in favor of creating an irrigation district for the watering of over 26,000 acres of land from the Clear Lake reservoir, Saturday.

This is a long step forward in the reclamation of a great fertile tract which was included in the original United States reclamation project, and later released on petition of the residents. The original cost price was deemed too high, but the government later offered the water under different conditions, naming a nominal fee for the water, and providing that the settlers build their own canal and ditches.

It was with a view of accepting the new offer that the move now is undertaken, and after several attempts to get water from private sources have failed thru.

Following was the vote cast for the directors of the new district, the first three being selected: W. D. Campbell 48, A. E. Gale 49, H. C. Tichnor 37, William Scheble 17, R. C. Cowley 14, and Merle Kilgore 13.

As soon as Mr. Tichnor, who is now visiting in Ohio, returns, the organization will be effected, a survey or secured, and a survey for the ditch made. The board proposes to work with a view of getting the water on the land at the earliest possible moment. The dam at Clear Lake is already installed and the water available by a gravity flow as soon as the canals are constructed.

SAILOR BOY ANXIOUS TO SEE OLD FRIENDS

Nelson Hall, son of William Hall of the Gun Store expects to be home within the next three months, according to a letter just received by his father and he will be mighty glad to get here. He writes that out of two hundred cases of the influenza on his ship, six died. Nelson describes a storm which struck his ship shortly after leaving the United States, which lasted for three days and nights. Judging from the tone of his letter, this storm will be an episode which will linger long in the memory of the young sailor.

FORMER CITY GIRL DIES IN OKLAHOMA

Sad news of the death of Mrs. Max McCall at Bridgeport, Oklahoma on December 9th was received this morning by Mrs. W. A. Delzell. Mrs. McCall will be best remembered here as Miss Marjory Sellers, who was instructor of mathematics in the Klamath County High School for three years. She had a host of warm friends in this community who will mourn her passing. At the conclusion of her work here, she married Mr. McCall who was then County Agriculturist. Her death was due to the influenza with complications.

GO TO SAN FRANCISCO TO SPEND THE HOLIDAYS.

Prosecuting Attorney William M. Duncan and Mrs. Duncan are spending the holidays with friends in San Francisco.

KLAMATH WILL FALL DOWN ON ANNUAL DRIVE

AMOUNT NOW IN HAND LITTLE MORE THAN HALF OF QUOTA. STATE AT LARGE IS DROPPING FAR FROM EXPECTATIONS

Great doubt is now felt regarding Klamath County meeting her quota in the Red Cross membership campaign now being carried on by those who are handling the drive, altho this district is holding its own nicely, compared with other sections of the state. An increase of \$1,000 from all sources is reported since Saturday, which brings the total up to \$2,592, just about half of the mark originally set. A number of outside districts will yet report, and today's receipts from the city remain to be counted, but there is little hope that the quota can be obtained.

Chairman Walton declares that in nearly every instance the outside districts have oversubscribed their quotas while Klamath Falls has fallen away behind. The soldiers and girls on the street Saturday did very effective work, bringing in \$448.

TAX RATE FOR STATE EXCEEDS THREE MILLS

SALEM, Dec. 23.—The state tax commission has now completed the state tax levy for 1919 which will produce \$3,021,402, the maximum amount that can be raised under the 6 per cent tax limitation law. The average state tax millage rate will be 3.06 mills.

In addition to the amount which will be raised by direct tax next year the state will have estimated receipts from fees and other sources in the sum of \$810,520 which will make a total fund available for use next year of \$3,831,922.

The total request for funds, exclusive of requests for new buildings and unusual improvements, as submitted in the state budget, approximates \$8,447,980 for the next two years. One half of that equals \$4,223,990, which is \$392,068 in excess of funds which will be available to meet state expenditures.

However, total budget requests have never been allowed by the legislature and there is no reason to believe other than these requests will be greatly trimmed by the forthcoming session of lawmakers.

RETURNS FROM SACRAMENTO

Miss Annie Applegate a teacher in the Sacramento public schools, returned from that point last night, as the schools there have been closed indefinitely on account of the influenza. A card from her brother, Oliver C. Applegate, who has been stationed at Fortress Monroe, in Virginia, states that he has arrived at the Presidio at San Francisco, and expects to receive his discharge at an early date.

FRANCE'S SACRIFICE MILLION AND HALF

PARIS, Dec. 23.—French soldiers to the number of 1,400,000 were killed, during the war, according to a statement by the socialist deputy, Lucien Vullin, in the chamber of duties during an interpellation of the government on demobilization.

BAD ROAD ON RESERVATION TO BE FIXED

OFFICIAL FROM INDIAN DEPARTMENT FROM WASHINGTON VISITS, INDICATES THAT REPAIRS MAY BE EXPECTED

That a very great improvement may be made in the roads on the Klamath Indian Reservation north of here as a result of a visit from H. M. Shippe of the Indian Department at Washington, who has been in conference with Superintendent W. G. West, is indicated by those who are in close touch with the situation.

It was pointed out to J. H. Norris during his brief residence here by J. W. Siemans, who represents the Northwest Tourist Association, that the main road north and south, past the Klamath agency was maintained in such deplorable shape during most of the tourist season that it was nearly impossible to get thru, that the district lost large numbers of visitors who would otherwise come this way, and that there was little use of the County building improved highways now being planned when one of the main links was allowed to remain in the past. Mr. Norris apparently got busy because Mr. Shippe appeared, shortly afterward and found the new Superintendent anxious to cooperate. It is intimated that an appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars will be asked of the department for this work.

BOOTLEGGER SENTENCED ON SATURDAY

A fine of \$200 or \$100 dollars and five days in jail, was the sentence imposed upon John Rodriguez late Saturday by Justice N. J. Chapman for importing liquor into Klamath County. This was the second offense of the kind within the week for the defendant who was caught bringing in the booze submerged in celerly, concealed in his shoes and other parts of his clothing. The culprit was unable to speak English and Rex Bord and Joe Joseph were employed as interpreters.

MILLION IS GRANTED FOR STATE HARBORS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The rivers and harbors committee has decided on three new projects for Oregon in the bill which was reported Saturday as follows: Coos Bay, 22-foot inner channel, \$130,000; Yaquina Bay, \$100,000; Coquille bar and entrance, \$64,000. The committee also voted the full amounts asked for the maintenance of Oregon projects completed as follows: Columbia river bar, \$130,000; Columbia and Willamette rivers below Portland and Vancouver, \$124,000; Coos Bay bar and entrance, \$71,000; Willamette, above Portland \$27,000; Clatskanie river, \$20,000. The total for Oregon work during the next fiscal year is \$951,000.

BABY BOY ARRIVES.

A baby boy was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Brouillard at the Pelican Bay Saw mill. Dr. George Wright was in attendance.

THREE FINED FOR BRINGING WHISKEY HERE

VIOLATORS OF LIQUOR LAW ARE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE FOLLOWING ARRESTS LAST NIGHT. PLEAD GUILTY AND PAY FINES

Charles A. Groth, George Smith and Hans M. Hanson are the latest breakers of the liquor ordinance to be apprehended and fined by the local officers. Their arrests were accomplished last night thru the efforts of the sheriff's office and the local police force.

Groth, who is reported to be the local train peanut merchant, was suspected by the officers, who hid near the train until midnight last night, and were rewarded by seeing him come back to his car and remove his liquid goods.

The other two men were taken earlier in the evening. Groth was given a choice of a fine of \$150 and costs, or 75 days in jail, and Smith and Hansen paid fines of \$25 and costs.

VON ECKHARDT RECALLED THRU U. S. REQUEST

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Ambassador Fletcher at Mexico City, has advised the state department that the government organ, El Pueblo, has denied that Von Eckhardt has been recalled by Germany. Other Mexican newspapers say that his mission has been terminated, but that he has not decided as to leaving the country.

An indirect warning from the American government was responsible for the decision of the German authorities to dispense with the notorious minister, Von Eckhardt, at Mexico City.

A hint was given of his undesirability officially, and it is officially learned that the state department has been advised of his recall.

NEW FLU CASES REPORTED TODAY

The following persons are quarantined at their homes with the influenza, according to today's latest report. W. A. Delzell, Crescent avenue; Mrs. F. W. Smith, 129 Main street; William Thomas and family, Merrill.

BACK FROM SALEM.

Attorney Wilson S. Wiley has returned from Salem, where he appeared before the Supreme Court, representing S. E. Martin in a civil action.

RETURNS FROM PORTLAND.

Will Baldwin of the Baldwin Hardware Company has returned from a weeks business visit to Portland. He reports a successful trip.

IN FROM LORELLA

W. D. Campbell came in yesterday from Lorella bringing his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. David Campbell who have been there for a short visit.

GOODS FOR BRITISH TO GO ACROSS DUTCH LAND

ENGLANDS INTENTION TO SHIP SUPPLIES TO ARMY OF OCCUPATION BY WAY OF SCHELDT RIVER TO HOLLAND.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 23.—It has been reported here that Holland has been informed by Great Britain of her intention to send supplies to the British army of occupation in Germany by way of the River Scheldt and Dutch Limburg.

ZURICH, Dec. 23.—Von Hindenburg, according to reports from Germany, has concentrated a large force of soldiers in Posen, which is in German Poland.

Polish troops recently invaded this territory after Poland claimed it as a part of New Poland.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—William Hohenzollern has arranged a Christmas celebration for himself after the traditional German style as far as possible. There are to be elaborate religious ceremonies on Christmas Eve. Mr. Hohenzollern will deliver the sermon himself. Many who were asked to attend have refused so the audience will consist of Count Von Bentinck and the family, the Emperor's suite and the servants.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 23.—In the hope of hastening the advent of prohibition in Wyoming, petitions are being circulated in many counties of the state which are addressed to the boards of county commissioners and which ask that these boards refuse to grant any licenses for the sale of liquor during 1919. The recently adopted constitutional amendment will make Wyoming "dry" on January 1, 1920 and the backers of the petitions point to the fact that the amendment carried by a vote of three to one, as proof that a large majority of the people of the state desire prohibition and will approve steps toward that end during the intervening year.

At the forthcoming session of the state legislature prohibition workers will also seek to have a law passed which will restrict or prohibit entirely the sale of liquor pending the time that the constitutional amendment becomes effective.

Mrs. Louis Gerber has returned for the winter from the Gerber stock ranch in Horsefly Valley.

Mrs. Seldon K. Ogle and her daughter Miss Bessie are reported to be recent victims of the influenza.

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