

RHINE RIVER MAY BE OPEN TO ENTENTE

Recommendation Is Made to the Conference

COMMISSION REPORTS

Allies to Have Freedom of Rhine

Without Discrimination, Is Recommended by Commission—Kiel Canal Open to All Nations in Time of Peace—Germans Own and Operate.

PARIS, March 12.—Recommendations that the navigation of the Rhine be opened to the Allied nations without discrimination was made in a report to the Peace Conference by the Commission on the International Regulation of Waterways, Railways and Ports. It was suggested in the report which was read today, that the Rhine be controlled by a Commission similar to the Danube Commission. The status of the Kiel Canal has been settled on a basis of the freedom of its use for all nations for merchant ships or warships in time of peace. The canal would continue under German ownership and operation.

PRESBYTERIANS PLAN MEETING

CONFERENCE FOR NEW ERA MOVEMENT AND PLANS FOR COMING YEAR WORK FRIDAY. OUTSIDE SPEAKERS COMING

March 23d is the date toward which all loyal Presbyterians are looking and toward which many thousands throughout the nation are now working, for on that date the denomination plans to raise its 1919 quota of the New Era fund, which is \$5,000,000. Thirteen million dollars of this fund is to go into the benevolent budget of the church, and the remaining \$25,000,000 churches are to keep and use for the advancement of their local work.

The biggest part of the task is that the work must be done in three hours on that Sunday afternoon.

A conference at which these matters will be discussed and at which a number of outside speakers will be present is to be held at the Presbyterian church here Friday.

There will be a meeting for the women in the afternoon, followed by a basket lunch, and another meeting for both men and women in the evening.

CRISIS ON IN WORLD AFFAIRS

LANSING SAYS ENEMY MUST BE FED AND GIVEN A CHANCE AGAIN IN WORLD TRADE IF BOLSHEVISM IS TO BE STOPPED

PARIS, March 12.—That a crisis has been reached in the affairs of the world and that the Allies must feed Germany and give the Germans a chance to sell their products in the foreign markets, of the great impending danger of Bolshevism is to be avoided, was emphatically asserted by Secretary Lansing at a banquet of the Interallied Press Club here last night.

HOOVER TO SOON END PUBLIC WORK

PARIS, March 12.—(By the Associated Press)—That Herbert Hoover, the American food administrator and lately appointed director general of the inter-allied relief organization, is to cease his relief work in the summer was indicated in a statement issued by Hoover concerning the wheat situation. He intimated that a majority of his co-workers also would return to private life.

Speaking of various problems connected with the wheat situation, Mr. Hoover said they would need to be solved by some one else, "because neither myself, nor most of the men in the food administration, will be able to continue in the service of the government after next July. We also, must earn a living," Hoover said.

SPARTAGANS ON DEFENSIVE NOW

STRONGHOLDS IN NORTH AND EAST SECTIONS OF BERLIN DEMOLISHED BY GOVERNMENT TROOPS

LONDON, March 12.—The government troops in Berlin have made considerable progress since yesterday in demolishing the Spartacan strongholds in the northern and eastern sections of the city.

They made use of the artillery and mine throwers to drive back the rioters.

The terrorists methods of the Spartacans have caused a great revision of feeling in favor of the government in all districts and the regular traffic has now been resumed except on the street railway, where the employes are striking for higher wages.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR LOCAL MAN

MANAGER OF ENTERPRISE RANCH DROPS INTO TEN FEET OF WATER IN TULE LAND SOUTH OF RAILROAD MONDAY.

P. E. Hannon, manager of the Enterprise ranch, had a narrow escape from drowning Monday, and only to the fact that he had, when a mere boy, learned to swim and recalled the stroke in his moment of danger is he alive to tell the tale. Monday afternoon he went out to the tract of tule land south of the railroad, preparations for the draining of which have been under way for some months. A large pump has been installed and it was in going from the mainland to this pump that the accident happened. One of the boards in the bridge across the channel broke, precipitating Mr. Hannon into about ten feet of water, and it was then that his early swimming help experience stood him in good stead. Today he is none the worse for his experience.

WYOMING MAN TO BE FLOOR LEADER

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—Representative Frank Mondell of Wyoming has been chosen as Republican Floor leader of the next House. This decision was reached after Mann of Illinois was elected on the first ballot and declined to accept.

FORD BUYS BICYCLES FOR PLANT WATCHMEN.

Although the Ford automobile is known as the universal car, apparently, there are some things that a Ford cannot do. From Detroit comes the announcement that the Ford Motor company has just purchased some Harley Davidson bicycles for use by Ford watchmen in and around the plant.

COMMISSION TO FIND KLAMATH READY TO WORK

Big Good Roads Meeting Last Evening

RECEPTION IS PLANNED

Banquet at White Pelican Hotel Has Had to Be Abandoned—Highway Commissioners and Senator Baldwin to Be Entertained at Dinner at Elks Temple—Meeting Following.

There was an enthusiastic meeting of members of the Klamath Good Roads Association last evening at the City Hall, at which was discussed the plans for the reception and entertainment of Senator Baldwin and the Highway Commission, who are expected to arrive here next Tuesday evening. The Senator returning from his duties in Salem and the Commission coming for the purpose of giving the people of this county an opportunity to present their claims for road construction and state aid. It was decided to abandon the idea of holding such an affair. In its place there will be an informal banquet served in the Elks' Temple, at which will be present the county and city officials, officers of the Klamath Good Roads Association and Business Men's Association and the Commercial Club, representatives of the newspapers, together with such vice presidents of the Good Roads Association as may come to the meeting and some representatives of various other interests in the county.

There will be no effort made during the banquet to present any road facts to the Commission. It will be given as a tribute to Senator Baldwin for the work he did in the interest of good roads during the session of the legislature and the campaigning he has done since, and as a welcome to Mr. Booth and the State Engineer.

Following the banquet there will be held an open meeting, at which the people of the county will be asked to get up and tell Mr. Booth what they want from the State Highway Commission. This talkfest will be preceded by the submission of a concrete program for road construction for the county. This program will show what the county wants done this year and what it proposes to do each succeeding year until the entire county is supplied with a perfect system of first class highways. The Commission will be told what Klamath county will do financially and what it wants the Commission to do along that line. Then will come the people of the county with their plea.

It is to be hoped that when the Commission sees that the people of the county are anxious to go ahead with permanent construction and pavement, it will give such financial help as will enable Klamath to lay one million dollars worth of paving this year. If it will do this, then the people will be willing to go a little slower for a year or two until the Commission can again open up its money bag and give us enough funds to complete the work.

Idle Men in State Fast Decreasing.

PORTLAND, March 12.—The Federal employment service says that the number of unemployed in Oregon has decreased by three thousand during the past week and now totals only about nine thousand. It is expected that the labor situation in this state will be "perfectly balanced" by the first of May.

RIOTS IN WEST PRUSSIA.

BASEL, March 12.—A general strike is reported today in Silesia mining district. Martial law has been proclaimed at Briesen Klum, Thora and Strasburg districts of West Prussia due to the advances of the Spartacans.

\$25 REWARD

The Herald will pay \$25 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone caught stealing copies of the Herald after their delivery to subscribers. This practice of stealing papers, especially along Main street, has reached such proportions that the Herald is going to stop it, and with that end in view is offering this reward.

SHEEP DENIED PERMIT TO CROSS RESERVATION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—Indian Commissioner Cato Sells has denied the application of the Central Oregon Wool Grower's Association for a trail across the Warm Springs Reservation due to the fact that the trail crossed the tax land allotted to the Indians individually and that it would be impossible to get the consent of all the Indians affected. This would save sixty miles of trail for 20,000 head of sheep which must now go by way of Bend.

MERRILL FOLKS TO HAVE DANCE

ST. PATRICK'S DAY TO BE OCCASION OF BIG FESTIVITIES IN NEIGHBORING TOWN — BIG PROGRAM PREPARED

The Irish of Klamath County are preparing to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, in a fitting manner. They have appointed the following gentlemen to take charge of arrangements: T. Sullivan, P. Quinlan, P. O'Connor and J. O'Leary, and the following program has been prepared. At 9 a. m. all will assemble at the Catholic church for services, at which a sermon of "The Influence of St. Patrick" will be preached. At 11:30 the annual banquet will be served at the Riverside hotel. During this the guests will be entertained by a number of musical selections and speeches. Irish songs will be the feature. Immediately after the banquet all will repair to the athletic field near Whitlatch's corner for the racing and football games. Entries an inquiries about these should be made of the general committee.

The day will be brought to a close by the annual Sheepmen's Ball, as per running advertisement in the Herald. Further particulars concerning this looked-for ball will be made in Saturday's Herald.

NEW HEAD FOR SOLDIERS HOME

FORMER COMMANDANT RESIGNS AND MAN WHO WAS CANDIDATE FOR POSITION FIVE YEARS AGO IS APPOINTED

ROSEBURG, March 12.—Commandant Markee of the Oregon Soldiers Home here, resigned his position yesterday. The investigation of the institution by the Board of Control, which had been ordered will now probably be dropped.

Markee was to have appeared before the Board on Saturday. He had been charged of mismanagement of the institution from several sources.

SALEM, March 12.—The board of control has appointed Captain James E. Shaw of Milwaukee, Oregon, as the new commandant at the Soldiers Home. He was a candidate for this position in 1914, when Markee was appointed.

Shaw was formerly department commander of the G. A. R. in Oregon; He served through the Civil War, and was wounded three times, and was decorated for bravery.

He has a working knowledge of agriculture, and is in a position to handle this work in a capable manner, said Governor Olcott today.

SOLDIER BOYS REFUSE TO GO ACROSS AGAIN

Take Law Into Their Own Hands on High Seas

CAPTAIN THREATENED

Transport Is Ordered Back to England Just Before Landing, on Account of New York Harbor Strike. Soldiers Do Not Take to Idea of Going Back.

HALIFAX, March 12.—The threat of three hundred troops of the British army who enlisted in the United States, eighty one of them being American citizens, to sink the transport Tolosa immediately, unless they were allowed to land and proceed by rail to their destinations in the United States has been reported here today to Canadian authorities by Captain Jackson.

The transport Tolosa had sailed for New York after debarking the Canadian troops here but she was ordered back here to coal for a return trip to England, due to the harbor strike in New York.

The Captain said that he had no guns aboard and was at the mercy of the soldiers.

GARBAGE MAN TO START APRIL 1ST

That the collection of garbage in Klamath Falls, which new department of the city was recently established by the city council, will be started on April 1st, is the announcement made today by City Attorney J. H. Carnahan.

This is another step which will bring Klamath Falls in line as an up-to-date city, and do much to bring the sanitary conditions here to a higher level.

BATTLESHIPS TO BE CHANGED

SUSPENSION ON PRESENT CONSTRUCTION IS ORDERED—THE CRUISER PROGRAM MAY BE ALTERED FOR NEW TYPE

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—Possibility that the whole battle cruiser program of the navy, involving an expenditure of nearly half a billion dollars, will be abandoned in favor of a new type of cruiser battleship was indicated here by announcement that Secretary Daniels had ordered suspension of work on the six 35-knot cruisers already authorized, until a decision as to the future type of capital ship could be reached.

There is a wide difference of opinion among American naval officers as to whether the slow battleship and the fast cruiser should not give way in the future to a ship combining the power of the one and nearly the speed of the other. Because of this, congressional committees have deferred action on six additional cruisers until a full report can be made by the department.

It is to gather information for this report that Secretary Daniels and his three chief technical advisors will sail Saturday for Europe. They will be met overseas by Admiral Benson, chief of operations and Vice Admiral Sims, and upon their return a general conference will be held, at which a majority opinion of experienced officers will be worked out as to what types of capital ships should be built.

CONFERENCE NEARS END OF ITS LABOR

LONDON, March 12.—The Evening News says the Premier Lloyd George has sent word that the Peace Conference is now nearly completed and that the draft of the peace treaty is to be finished and signed by the end of March.

SOLDIER BACK FROM FRANCE

Corporal Louis E. McClure, son of Mrs. Mary R. McClure of this city, has returned from France, where he has been identified with the Second Field Artillery. He was discharged from the service at the same time as Frank Mills of this city, but stopped for a two weeks' visit with his sister, Mrs. Margery Gallagher at Willow, Calif.

CENSORSHIP TO BE LESS HARSH

AGREEMENT BETWEEN ENGLAND AND UNITED STATES PROVIDES FOR MILDER REGULATIONS FROM NOW ON

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—An agreement between the United States and England which has just been reached, abolishes the double censorship in the two countries and it is provided that hereafter the cable communication thru the territories of either country are to be subject only to the country where the message originates.

The United States desires to discontinue the censorship entirely as soon as possible, the announcement says, but as long as the Allies consider it necessary to continue the blockade, it will be necessary to continue this.

FOOTBALL DAYS ON AT MERRILL

EXCITING TIME AT ALFALFA CITY LAST SUNDAY, AND MORE GAMES SCHEDULED FOR THE NEAR FUTURE

There was an exciting time down Merrill way Sunday afternoon, when the Nonenties met the Victors in a football match in Burke's athletic field. The Nonenties, headed by Captain Lacey, thought they would have a walk-away with the Victors, because of their advantage of practice and experience of their famous captain, not to mention their other noted celebrities.

This time the Victors fooled them by choosing as captain one Hugh O'Neil, who soon showed by his expert playing and marshaling of men that the game was not unfamiliar. It was disagreeable medicine for the Nonenties to call quits when the score stood 7 to 0 in the Victors' favor.

However, the boys enjoyed the afternoon immensely, and await the games for next Sunday at 4 o'clock and St. Patrick's Day at 3.

STRIKERS ARE FAST RETURNING TO WORK

SEATTLE, March 12.—Thousands of the shipyard employees are now back at work here and at Tacoma and Aberdeen, but it will probably be about a week before the entire force will be again employed. The men are at work again at their former wages.

BIG TUNNEL EXPENSIVE.

LONDON, March 12.—The tunnel which has been proposed under the English Channel to France is to cost in the neighborhood of twenty million pounds, it is announced here. It will take five years to complete this enormous enterprise.

I. W. W. AND BOLSHEVIK ARE BELIEVED SAME

Big Bunch Rounded Up in Wichita, Kansas

RETURN FROM RUSSIA

Men Believed to Have Been Plotting Against Government Are Brought to Jail Under Heavy Guard—One Man Said to Have Been Prominent in Recent Seattle Strike.

WICHITA, Kansas, March 13.—Under a heavy guard, thirty two alleged I. W. W. agitators have been brought to jail here for a violation of the Espionage act.

The authorities are convinced here that there is a close connection between the I. W. W. and the Bolsheviki movement. They assert that ten thousand I. W. W. went to Russia during the Kerenyky regime and have nearly all returned.

Among the men arrested here is one of those who took a prominent part in the recent general strike at Seattle, it is claimed.

KLAMATH FALLS RESIDENT DIES

LAST PATIENT AT ISOLATION HOSPITAL ANSWERS FINAL SUMMONS LAST EVENING, HAD BEEN ILL SOME TIME

J. F. Gartrell, who has resided in Klamath Falls for several years, passed away at the Isolation hospital last evening following an extended illness, which began with the influenza and developed other complications. He had been at the hospital since the twentieth of February and was reported to have been ill for some time previous to that date.

Mrs. Gartrell and small son are visiting in the east and no arrangements will be made for the funeral until they can be heard from. The deceased has no other relatives here. Mr. Gartrell was the last patient at the Isolation Hospital and it is expected that the institutions will be closed in a few days.

ELKS OFF FOR YREKA.

Next Saturday morning a "herd" of Elks will leave here for Yreka, and for their accommodation, and to be sure that there will be no danger of a stampede to the everlasting consternation and injury of the rest of the travellers, the Southern Pacific has decondescended to place a special car at the disposal of those who will go. The purpose of the trip is a general get-together meeting at Yreka and to boost for the State Convention that is to be held here in August. Delegations will be there from Ashland, Medford and other points, and as there is sure to be a good time and as Klamath must keep up its reputation as being the liveliest spot on the map, a big delegation is desired. Those who can get away for the trip had better notify J. H. Driscoll at once, so reservations can be made.

WEATHER REPORT.

Oregon, rain in west and rain or snow in the east portion, moderate northeasterly winds. Maximum yesterday 56 degrees. Minimum today 23 degrees.

WEDDING HERE TODAY.

Louis LeClair of the Beatty district and Evelyn Moore, were married here this morning by Justice N. J. Chapman.