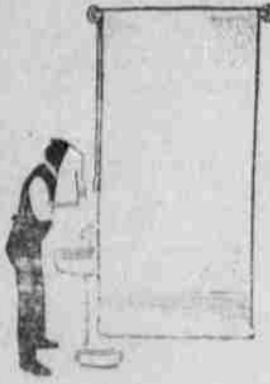


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All Around Town

KAISER DECLARES WAR

(Continued from Page One.)

aviations. Three German dirigibles hovered over Brussels, the capital, for an hour and then disappeared to the eastward. Patriotic demonstrations of tremendous enthusiasm were occurring here and there were threats of an anti-German outbreak.

Germany Breaks Treaty. News of the German invasion of Belgium caused the most intense excitement. It had been believed the kaiser would respect the little kingdom's neutrality, since Germany was itself a party to the treaty which guaranteed it, but was semi-officially stated that the government had prepared in advance for the treaty's violation and was not taken by surprise when it occurred.

German Ambassador Von Schoen received his passport and left for Berlin at midnight. Just before he departed he paid a farewell visit to the foreign office and protested against raids he said French troops had made across the German frontier and attacks on a few German shops in Paris.

Simultaneously with Von Schoen's departure from here, French Ambassador Cambon, who had received his passport from the kaiser, was leaving Berlin.

Premier Viviani today resigned the foreign office in favor of ex-Premier Doumergue that he might devote his entire time to his duties as prime minister.

General Joffre, commander-in-chief of the French forces, had left Paris for the frontier.

Guard Against Airships. Every precaution has been taken to protect Paris from a night aerial attack. Searchlights of the highest power are kept flashing constantly from dusk to dawn, above the city, sweeping the sky in all directions.

Aviators, too, are kept continuously on duty ready to meet and fight invading air men. If possible they are to be shot but in case of necessity their craft will be rammed in mid-air, though to do so will cost the lives of the Frenchmen as well as the Germans.

Military men did not believe the four German aviators who crossed the frontier Monday flying in the direction of Rheims, planned to attack the French capital, their view being that the risks of so long a flight over a hostile country in a heavier than air machine would be too great to take and that any such attempt as may be made will be undertaken with a dirigible.

The quartet, they thought, were simply scouting. They were driven back, at any rate, by an overwhelmingly superior force of French aeroplans from Rheims.

son, was in Salem this morning. The outlook for the hop crop in his vicinity, he said, was fine. The hot, dry weather was injuring them somewhat, and were there no further damage from that cause, he thought the yield would be larger than the average of past years. Picking will begin from the first to the third of September, France, he declared, would give a good average crop, while peaches were bearing heavier than for several years.

Mr. Locke is a cousin of Charles Edward Locke, formerly a leading Portland minister and now one of the noted pulp pit operators of the East.

A report received from the Salem hospital this afternoon indicates that R. V. Sefton, of the Journal circulation department, who was injured eight days ago in a motorcycle accident near Lincoln, in Polk county, is gradually improving. His pulse, temperature and appetite are good, and he is able to talk at intervals. Under the doctor's orders he is kept as quiet as possible.

A decree was handed down by Judge Galloway today quieting the title to about 40 acres of land in a suit brought by J. D. Burfoot against H. S. Giles et al. By the decree all right, title and interest to the property described is vested in fee simple in Mr. Burfoot.

William T. Neill, an electrician in the employ of the railroad commission, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Neill is an inspector.

G. P. Locke, a hop grower of Jefferson, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Neill is an inspector.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER CONDEMNNS BRIDGE

Says It Has Gotten Beyond Profitable Repair and a New One Is Only Way to Fix It.

That the steel bridge across the Willamette river at the end of Center street is carrying loads that it cannot be depended on to carry with safety, is the gist of a report submitted by State Highway Engineer H. L. Bowley at the request of the county courts of Marion and Polk counties and the city of Salem. There is no question but that the bridge is unsafe, according to Mr. Bowley, but he gave it as his opinion that by limiting the traffic to single concentrated loads of five tons at one time and reducing the speed to not more than four miles per hour across the bridge that the element of danger would be lessened but not eliminated entirely.

It was explained that old bridges in the condition of this one often acted peculiarly and that a heavy load might pass over the bridge in safety and then the bridge might fall under a much lighter load. The vibrations of the bridge are excessive at times as shown when the company of regulars, company E of the Twenty-first infantry, crossed the bridge. The company was in single file breakfast, yet they were compelled to halt three times in crossing the bridge on account of the vibrations. The shoes, or rollers, placed on top of the piers so that the bridge may slide when heat and cold contractions and expansions change the length of the structure, have rusted so that they do not move. As a result the piers are moved when the bridge changes its weight. It is likely that this effect has impaired the stability of the piers.

The log of inspection shows that many of the joints are rusted between the plates and pitted, braces are warped and in bad condition and that deep rust patches show through the structure. The top chord is sagged, struts are bent and that the braces admit of excessive play in all directions.

The summary of the report and the recommendations of Mr. Bowley are as follows: Practically the entire deck of bridge is in need of replacement. Posts throughout trusses are deeply pitted and rusted below level of deck or bridge. Posts on south side of bridge show more effects of rust than on north side. All shoes on the south side of both trusses show unusual deterioration from rust. Shoes on north side of bridge, while rusted and pitted, do not appear as bad as on the south side.

Gusset plates connecting lower laterals at shoes are almost rusted off. All laterals are very loose. Cover plates of top chords show rust and are pitted deeply; between cover plates and connecting gusset plates of top lateral system, rust has eaten in a quarter of an inch at some connections. Most of the posts of the trusses are sprung out due to the distortion of the truss by elevation at center pier. Actual distortion shown on sketch of three panels of north truss of east span. Vibration under all loads is excessive in all directions. The trusses have sagged between the center and end posts as shown on schedule attached. The shoes no longer act on the rollers, thus the piers have been pulled back and forth as length of spans changed.

The matter of either building a new bridge, condemning the old one or putting in a ferry will be taken up at a joint meeting of the county courts of Marion and Polk counties next Wednesday with the street committee of the city council.

As Engineer Sees It. From the calculated stresses, based on the loads the bridge is now called on to carry, and the condition of the metal, the bridge is carrying loads that it cannot safely be depended on to carry without a failure.

For instance, a combination of a big wind and two heavy trucks passing at a moderate speed, with the average vehicle load on the bridge, would be a combination that the bridge would have difficulty in carrying, owing to over-stressing of the hangers and laterals.

From the enclosed traffic schedule and speeds observed, the necessity of reducing this speed to about four miles an hour, by setting a time limit under which no vehicle shall cross the bridge under penalty, is apparent. The bridge has reached a state where any general plan of repairs that will not be a waste of money is impossible.

CHIEF JUSTICE DEAD. San Francisco, Aug. 4.—Chief Justice William Beatty of the state supreme court died at his home here this afternoon.

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AMERICANS CANNOT TAKE PART IN WAR

If Bill Passes, Aliens Leaving to Join Foreign Armies Will Not be Permitted to Return to the United States.

Washington, Aug. 4.—The neutrality proclamation made by President Wilson this morning forbids the enlistment of troops in America, the accepting of commissions or enlistment in the armies involved in war. The senate late Monday adopted the following resolution by Senator Gallinger: "The senate of the United States, dedicating itself to the principles of peace and good will among men, deeply deprecates the war between certain European powers and expresses the earnest hope that existing differences may be speedily adjusted, to the end that the fearful destruction of human life and the great waste of property may be averted."

Congressman Harrison introduced a bill in the house to prohibit the readmission to the United States of aliens who leave to fight in a foreign war.

UNITED STATES NEUTRAL. Washington, Aug. 4.—President Wilson today signed a proclamation of American neutrality in the European war.

President Wilson signed the proclamation at 12:35 o'clock. It proclaimed this government's neutrality regarding Austria, Germany, Russia, France and Serbia.

ENGLAND LIABLE TO (Continued from page one.) Russian Poland, was stated by the war office here today. It was noted that they had been seriously opposed. War, however, is strongly fortified.

Austrians Defeated. Paris, Aug. 4.—A later message from Nish spoke of an Austrian defeat at Semendria, on Serbia's northern border, Sunday, and it was believed this was the fight to which the French minister referred.

The second message said 10,000 Austrians, supported by 20 monitors, had been trying to cross into Serbian territory for nearly a week but had been held back and had suffered, besides, heavy losses.

Germany After Italy. Rome, Aug. 4.—Italy was again asked by Germany tonight to abandon its neutrality declaration. The kaiser insisted that France had been the aggressor and was entirely responsible for Germany's war declaration today.

The government again notified Germany that Italy would stand by its neutrality proclamation.

Skirmishing Continues. Belfort, France, Aug. 4.—Skirmishing between French and German troops was continuous in this vicinity today.

The Germans were outrenching their position and it was believed they planned a general assault. French aeroplanes were active and rendered valuable service.

The losses thus far had not been heavy on either side.

Poles, Germany, Aug. 4.—German infantry today ambushed and routed a detachment of Cossack scouts near Borzykowo.

The Germans were the first to fire, killing five Russians and wounding about 20 with one volley.

The Cossacks rallied and charged repeatedly but finally fled in disorder after their advance guard had surrendered.

It was stated that altogether 25 were killed and 41 captured.

GREECE AND TURKEY MAY BE INVOLVED Athens, Aug. 4.—It was announced here this afternoon that Turkey was preparing to attack Serbia. A Greek mobilization was ordered immediately preparatory to lending aid to the Serbians by attacking the Turks in turn.

Mrs. William Melvin Plimpton and children, Janet and Sherman, left Sunday evening to be the guests of Mrs. Henry G. Terry of Portland for a short time. With Mrs. Terry and her two children, James and Mary Betty, the Plimptons will leave this week for Coos Bay where they will spend a month with Mrs. Plimpton's mother, Mrs. Horace Campbell.

A suit for divorce was filed in the circuit court today by Martha Trax against Riley Trax. The couple were married in Pennsylvania in 1908. There were three children born to the couple, a child aged 5 years, Sherman aged 4, and Milda aged 18 months. Cruel and inhuman treatment is given as the grounds for the divorce.

Rev. P. S. Knight, the pioneer Congregational minister of the valley, was thrown from his buggy in a runaway Saturday afternoon, but was not seriously injured. He was driving on the Garden road, one mile east of the 17th street carline, when an automobile, in passing, frightened his horse and caused it to run away and the buggy capsized.

Rev. Stubb, of the Sunnyside Congregational church, Portland, will officiate this evening, August 3, at the wedding of Hon. Hal D. Patton, of Salem, and Miss Edith Tidcombe, of Portland. Miss Tidcombe has been a primary teacher in the Portland city schools for some years. They will leave tonight for San Francisco to be gone three weeks. They will make their home in Salem.—Portland Telegram.

WEARY VOTERS CAN REGISTER ONCE MORE

Two Months Having Passed Without Voters Having to Register, the City Dads Give Them One More Chance.

In preparation for the coming city election in December, when the chief of police, the city recorder, the mayor and several councilmen are to be elected, an ordinance was passed at the Salem council meeting last night governing the registration of voters within the corporate limits. No person will be permitted to vote unless complying with the provisions of the measure. There are about 7000 electors to be registered, and the ordinance was rushed through accordingly.

The measure provides that the recorder shall keep open shop from 8:00 o'clock in the morning until 5:00 o'clock at night for the purpose of allowing citizens to come in and register. The registration books shall conform to the section 3445 of Lord's Oregon Laws. The information required to be collected is as follows: (1) Date of registration; (2) full name of elector; (3) business or occupation; (4) age; (5) nationality and place of birth; (6) precise place of residence.

Those questions will have to be answered by the electors when they register. The ordinance goes into effect 10 days after the mayor has signed it. Acting Mayor W. E. Cummings will probably sign it this afternoon.

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WANTED—Baby's iron bedstead. Address R. T. care Journal.

WOOD FOR SALE—Oak, \$5; fir, \$3.75. Phone 2249.

MAN WANTED to run a binder on grain farm. Phone 9F11.

FOR SALE—A four-months-old Durham heifer calf. Phone 2500J5.

OLD PAPERS for carpets; 10 cents per hundred. Journal office.

MRS. HILLEBRAND makes accordian playing. 546 South Fourteenth st.

SPLENDID furnished housekeeping rooms at The Lincoln, 633 Ferry.

FOR SALE—Two fresh cows and two work mares. 771 North Commercial street.

ASH AND SECOND-GROWTH FIR wood, four feet. Star Wood Co., Phone 426.

FOR SALE—Big bargain two-passenger automobile. Salem Auto Garage, 345 State street.

FOR RENT—Best 6-room flat in the city; new and close in. 963 North Liberty street. Phone 356.

FOR RENT—Completely furnished cottage at Agate Beach. F. D. Thielsen, care Rodgers Paper Co.

WILL EXCHANGE light wagon, Studebaker make, for two-seated wagon. 640 State street.

BARBER CHAIR (taken) \$100; white chair, good as new, for sale, \$60; outfit for \$70, if taken at once. Two blocks north of Gerb's new store. Big unpainted house, West Salem.

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FOR SALE—Two four-step cone pulleys 12-16 inch diameter; 16 feet 1 1/2 inch shafting and hangers, almost new; cheap if taken quickly. Inquire J. R. M., Journal office.

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