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PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS - FIVE CENTS

GOVERNMENT MAY BE COMPELLED TO COMMANDEER OIL

If This Is Not Done Arrangements Must Be Made for Mining Fields

PRICE OF OIL AND COAL MUST BE ESTABLISHED

If Supply in Mexico Was Cut Off Country Would Soon Be Drained

Washington, June 23.—Declaring it a question of very short time before the government must commandeer all oil and in the country, Secretary Daniels today told the senate public land committee that the oil situation is serious.

Daniels said that if the commandeering was not done, negotiations must be entered into at once by the government to require the opening up of oil and coal fields.

The navy oil reserves must be saved, he said, for the future, "which we cannot foresee."

With 200 oil burning ships now being hurriedly built, Daniels admitted he doesn't know what the available oil supply of the country is.

A government survey of all fields to determine where fresh supplies might originate. He said the government was going to get as much oil as possible from outside the United States "in order to conserve our own."

"If the war goes on a year or two, it would be absolutely vital that the oil in this country be materially increased because the demand would be increasingly greater," he declared.

"In other words, oil is the basis for conducting this war. Everything depends on it."

Must Save Naval Reserve. If Mexico were cut off as a source of supply he declared, the drain on this country would be tremendous and the need of the government assuming control of oil supplies and enforcing its conservation would be immediate.

Daniels protested vigorously against opening up the present naval reserve in California until pending litigation has been pressed to determination.

While Daniels was testifying at the capital, President Wilson called personally at the federal trade committee, presumably to discuss the proposition by Daniels and Chairman Denman of the shipping board, that the commission fix fuel and steel prices.

CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER. Portland, Ore., June 23.—H. L. Putnam today is charged with manslaughter following an automobile accident in which he ran down and killed Mrs. Anna Peterson in the heart of the business district late yesterday.

ABE MARTIN. Never before has there been such need in Red Cross work. America can show her colors in no better way than to subscribe generously.

White stockings should be worn once. We're not critical, but we know when a pair of white stockings are all in. We often get the reputation for being a bunch of talkin' plainly t' the wrong here.

Fred Wilson Named As Circuit Judge

Fred W. Wilson of The Dulles was today appointed circuit judge for the seventh judicial district by Governor Withycombe. The appointment was made to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge W. L. Bradshaw, whose death came suddenly while he was holding court in Portland this week.

'MAJOR DARROW' OF EUGENE. San Francisco, June 23.—A commission as major in the United States army medical corps has been given to Dr. E. G. Darrow, of Eugene, Or., now at the Presidio. It was announced today.

WILL CELEBRATE THE FOURTH OF JULY AT STATE FAIR GROUNDS

There will be a grand, old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration at the state fair grounds in Salem. The American eagle will scream his loudest most patriotic scream, and in addition to the regular exercises there will be sports and amusements of various kinds throughout the day and far into the evening.

Walter L. Tooz will deliver the oration and Mayor Walter L. Keyes will read the declaration of independence. Music by the military band and vocal selections will be interspersed throughout the program.

In the forenoon prizes will be offered to the winners of various contests, and in the afternoon there will be a splendid horse racing program on the state fair track.

Pin Decorations on Red Cross Workers. General Pershing congratulates Americans on Red Cross Support.

By W. S. Forrest. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) Paris, June 23.—America can show her colors in no better way than to subscribe generously to the Red Cross.

China Facing Long and Serious Trouble. San Francisco, June 23.—China is facing a long period of internal troubles and probable division into two nations.

FIVE RED STRIPES ADD TO BEAUTY OF RED CROSS FLAG

Grand Total to Noon Was \$28,597.71—Today's Receipts \$3,143.83

CITY'S TOTAL IS \$21,809 COUNTRY PUTS UP \$6,787

New York Subscribes \$33,000,000 and Grand Total Is \$79,305,712

THE LAST SHOWING. New York, June 23.—Total subscriptions to the Red Cross fund of \$100,000,000 was announced here at noon today as \$79,305,712.

Another generous swipe of red paint was annexed to Old Glory at noon today when Chairman Robert S. Gill announced the result of the past twenty-four hours Red Cross offensive.

Derby building will be open for business all day tomorrow, and those who have not yet done their bit are expected to come through sometime between now and Monday noon.

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Wheat Up Four Cents Over Yesterday's Close

Chicago, June 23.—The wheat market was slow in starting today, no July being quoted during the first half hour.

July opened at \$2.16, up six, but closed at \$2.14. September opened up 1 at \$1.85, closing at \$1.87.

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Someone Will Be Present All Day at Red Cross to Receive Subscriptions. Even with all the energy that has been put in by a large committee of workers on the Red Cross, war fund, it became apparent this morning that a large portion of the citizens of Salem have not been approached and given opportunity to subscribe to the great fund.

ANOTHER SUBMARINE TACKLES WRONG SHIP. Torpedo Strikes Glancing Blow, Americans Fire Hitting Periscope. New York, June 23.—Another submarine, fired on and hit by an American ship, was reported today by the ship's crew on reaching an Atlantic port.

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Red Cross Receives \$66 From Niemeyer

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RUSSIANS GIVEN A NOISY OVATION ON VISIT TO CONGRESS

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THE WEATHER. Oregon: Showers tonight and Sunday; south-easterly winds.