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PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS

AGENTS UNCOVER GERMAN PLOT TO BREAK UP DRAFT

Seattle Headquarters From Which Plans to Evade Draft Are Distributed

URGES THOSE CALLED TO RESIST BEING DRAFTED

Same Gang Planned To Elect Governor of British Columbia

Scattle, Wash., Aug. 9.-United States agenta here today uncovered a gigantic plot to break down selective service army plans by engineering wholesale exemptions. Propaganda, which District Attorney

eral anthorities.

This, together with the arrest in Portiand yesterday of Alvo Von Alvenslaben, internationally known Gorman, on orders from Presidet Wilson himself, were latest disclosures of Teutonic intrigue uncovered in the northwest. Cauadian government authorities, according to District Attorney Allen, declare they are in possession of information actually showing that German machinery was set to work before the war

chinery was set to work before the war to make Von Alvenslaben governor of British Columbia.

This was to be accomplished, Allen declared through the activities of Germans organized to obtain political control of the province.

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The anti-draft prosganda was first mailed in Scattle Tuesday.

Inclosed in typewritten addressed plain envelopes, were two mimeographed sheets, bearing a number of cleverly prepared arguments and directions, characterizing the war of "purely commercial character" and urging ex-

One of the phrases reads: "For your own sakes and the sake of your class, resist" by claiming to be a "conscien-

failed to round up more than a mere bandful of leaders in the movement to

"too numerous or too influential to

The typed signature "conscientious objectors" appeared at the bottom of



Congress Takes Rest Preparing For Final Lap of War Session

Washington, Aug. 9—Both houses of congress rested today, preparatory to swinging in Friday on the final lap of the war session. Leaders hope to adjourn by Soptember 15, at the latest.

The senate begins tomorrow consideration of the \$2,006,970,000 tax bill. A gneral agreement has been reached to limit discussion as much as possible. Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, believes it will pass without much change.

Other measures still to be considered are the trading with the enemy act and the deficiency appropriation bill.

Majority Leader Martin of the senate said today night sessions may be held to expedite work on the revenue held to expedite work on the revenue bill.

INCIL BUYS MIXER PAYS SOME BILLS

e oehring Machine Company for \$1454.75 for Mixer Accepted

Conneilman Wilson presided over the Clay Allen says is "undoubtedly of German origin" is being mailed to men called for physical examinations here, urging, and showing how to evade service on the ground of "conscientious objections."

Mrs. W. Leonard Davis of New York of deliberations of the special meeting of the city council held last night to finish the business interrupted Monday is to keep cach American boy fighting at 100 percent.

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Woolen Socks To Be Provided *
As One of Greatest *
Necessities *

OCCASIONAL LETTERS :

Women Will Do the Knitting But Red Cross Will Distribute Products

New York, Aug. 9 .- "Save the Sammics' feet'' is the slogan of the Amer-ican Soldiers' Godmothers' league, or-ganized to send comforts to men in the

trenches.
Mrs. W. Leonard Davis of New York

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No arrests have yet been made, but are expected shortly, according to federal anthorities.

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company, of Portland, for a cement mixer No. 12, at \$1454.75 was accepted by the council. The other bid presented was by the Hodson-Freenaughty company, Portland, which offered a mixer for \$1575 f. o. b. Salem

After the bid had been accepted, Councilman Elliott presented a freight bill or the shipment of the machine to Salem. This provoked some criticism from Councilman McClelland, but the matter was explained and accepted.

The bill of Councilman Urruh giving the council the right to pass on individual cases of awaings or pergolast that mr be constructed in the city was referred to the committee on streets.

2000 Volunteer in Week. The Oregon Electric company was granted a franchise to construct a spur track on Front street to accommodate the freight traffic of the Wittenberg-king company.

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Godmothers' organizations are being rapidly sent into action in all parts of the bills of George M. Post for part payment of architect fees for the comfort communicate with Mrs. Davis are sent printed specifications for knitting muforn Pacific company.

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objectors, it was stated, were either Some Marion County Men Who Are Among the First

OREGON WILL BE FIRST

Camp Premont, Menlo Park, Cal., Aug. 9.—A battalion of Oregon militia will be the first troops to enter the national guard camp here.

Preparations to receive the Oregon men began today when it was announced that the battalion had been ordered to report at the camp the latter part of this week, probably asturday. The men will be placed on guard duty, the rapidly extending boundaries of the camp proper, which advance as work progresses, requiring additional guards

It is not expected other troops will follow the Oregon-ians immediately but will be called when more men are required.

CORN CROP LARGER

Chicago, Aug. 9.—The corn crop was under-estimated in yesterday's government crop bushels, B. W. Snow, Chicago crop expert, whose forecast Tuesday of other grains agreed with the official report almost figure for figure, told the United Press today.

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The government report cov-es only that period to July s, he said. It was about this date that the drought in many important corn growing sections was broken by heavy rains, insuring a much larger

The government report had little effect on grain prices to-day. Most of its estimates had been anticipated.

WILL NOT BE DRAFTED

Indians Willing to Fight But Would Not Fit In Modern Warfare

Washington, Aug. 9.—The only real, imon-pure Americans, the blanket In-lians, probably never will have a chance of go over the top of a European trench ofter America's enemy.

Government officials question the ad-

Government officials question the advisability of trying to put reservation red-skins in drafted Sammies' uniforms. They feel that while the Indians were great fighters in their day and in their own way, that day and way is past.

This applies, of course, only to the blanket Indians subject to the draft. There are hundreds of Americanized Indians in Uncle Sam's fighting forces.

And even if the government decided to draft the blanketed youths, they would be exempt if they so desired, as they are "wards of the government, not citizens."

The following list shows to what small numbers the blanket Indians have shrunk since the days when great tribes of them roamed the hills and plains of

Expected General Crowder Will Order Men to Assemble Tomorrow

WILL GO TO THEIR CAMPS IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES

Do Not Expect Men To Be Ready for Fighting Be-

Railroads Jacked Up for Crooked Work In Handling of Lumber

Washington, Aug. 9.—In a tentative order today the interstate commerce commission held that the practice of railroads and their connecting tap lines operating in lumber distrcts or participating in an arrangement for the movement of lumber from the mill by a circuitous and out of line route and of collecting in this way extra hauling charges, is unlawful and wasteful. The commission held that any charge exceeding \$2 or \$3 per car to cover switching charges would be unlawful, and that charges for haulings must be made on the basis of the most direct route.

CONFIRM STORY OF GERMAN ATROCITY

Consular Report Tells of De-

Var Drags Weary Length; Hope For Peace Not Bright Healds German Lines. By William Philip Simms (United Press staff correspondent) Paris, Ang. 9.—The Canadians raided enemy lines northwest of Lens during the night, inching forward a little nearer in tightening their grasp on the approaches to the coal city. The British let loose gas waves against the Germans along the sand during of the Belgian coast. There were artillery duels and air

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Allies Steadily Inching Forward Tighten Their Grip On City of Lens

LOSING CONTROL OF AIR **USE SMOKE TO HIDE GUNS**

Russian Soldiers Pluck Up Courage and Are Fighting

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