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Critical

Washington .- With Director General of Railroads McAdoo and Food Administrator Hoover holding each other responsible for the crisis in the food supply, it has become known that the administration is considering a proclamation for a wheatless week throughout the country. The proposal of a wheatless week is an expedient for saving and transporting wheat to the allies analogous to the workless and heatless period enforced by the admin-

istration for the purpose of saving and transporting coal. If the administration decides upon this course to this expedient, all patriotic Americans will be called upon to abstain from eating wheat products for seven days, grocers will be prohibited from selling wheat flour to consumers and jobbers required to cease supplying the trade. Wheat and flour thus saved will be diverted directly from elevators and mills to seaboard for shipment to Europe. The further reduction of the amount of barley allowed for brewing purposes is also

Food Shortage Grows Critical

under consideration.

Washington.-The eastern part of the United States faces a food shortage likely to continue for the next sixty days.

In making this disclosure Food Administrator Hoover declared that the situation is the most critical in the country's history and that in many of the large consuming areas reserve food stores are at the point of exhaustion.

The whole blame is put by the food administration on railroad congestion, which he says also has thrown the food administration far behind in its program for feeding the allies. The only solution he sees is a greatly increased rall movement of foodstuffs even to the exclusion of much other commerce

NO RULE FOR SUBSTITUTES

Housewives May Use Them in Any Way They Wish

Washington.-Housewives may use wheat flour substitutes in any manner they wish, the food administration points out in a statement declaring that some grocers have misunderstood the wheat flour substitute rule and are requiring purchasers of wheat flour to agree actually to use 50 per cent of other cereals in the bread they

WHEATLESS WEEKS MAY COME Oklahoma Man Fears it if Farmers are Not Encouraged

Washington-Wheatless days will be expanded into wheatless weeks in the year 1919 unless something is done to stimulate production of wheat and to restore confidence of the wheatraising farmer. This was the prophecy made before the senate committee on agriculture by Charles D. Hyde, of the Oklahoma council of defense.

"The farmers are producing so little wheat under the present minimum of \$2 a bushel fixed by the government," said Hyde. "that the use of wheat will have to be suspended for long periods in 1919 in order to save wheat for the American and allied armies.

Hyde further declared that price-fixing legislation so far has restricted rather than stimulated production.

Will Soon Call on Training Camps Washington .- The draft of the second increment of 500,000 men to the national army will be initiated about Baker. Under the tentative plan the government will begin on May 1 calling to the training camps each week 10,000 men of class 1 of the body of the registrants as recently reclassified. The men thus called to the colors will supplant an equal number of men of the national army and national guard who will have completed prelim inary training in this country and will be ready for transportation to France. As transport capacity increases and an increasingly large number of men is dispatched abroad from the training camps the weekly draft of men from class 1 will be increased.

Ravaged by Civil War

London.-Belated dispatches from Russia furnish further revelations of the disordered conditions prevailing throughout the former empire, ravaged by civil war and apparently about to be subjected to another military attack by Germany.

The thick of the fighting has been in the Ukraine, from which fertile region the central powers have been confidently expecting shortly to se cure supply of foodstuffs to replenish their sadly depleted stocks.

Klev, the seat of the government of the new Ukrainian republic, which made peace with Germany and Austria, is reported to have been captured by the bolsheviki after fighting in which the killed were estimated at 4,000 and the wounded at 7,000.

About the same time there was a battle in the streets of Odessa, the great grain shipping port on the Black sea, in which hundreds of persons were killed and the city was bombarded by warships.

Fatalities in Burlington Wreck.

COMING ISSUE WILL BEAR 41/2 PER CENT INTEREST.

U. S. MAY DRAFT BRITONS

Treaty Has Been Signed by Canada, Britain and United States-

Washington .- Future issues of the treasury certificates of indebtedness, planned in preparation for the third liberty loan, will bear an interest rate of 414 per cent, or one-half per cent more than issues of the immediate past. This announcement is made by Secretary McAdoo, together with the statement that the \$500,000,000 block of certificates, closed last week, was subscribed in full only because banks in New York and other big financial centers took more than their share and May, according to an order awaiting offset the scanty subscriptions from the signature of Secretary of War the rest of the country. About \$2,-500,000,000 in certificates remain to be issued at the higher rate before the third loan rate for all will be 41/2 per cent

> This increase in the rate offers an indication of the treasury's perspective on money market conditions which may affect the next liberty loan.

Coerced Into Signing Treaty

London.-Russia has been forced to sign peace upon the conditions proposed by Germany, says an official Russian statement received here. The official statement was signed by Premier Lenine and Leon Trotzky, the foreign minister. It protests against the German resumption of the war and says the council of people's commissioners is now forced to declare its readiness to sign a peace. as dictated by delegation of the quadruple alliance at Brest-Litovsk. It promises to give a detailed reply without delay to the German peace conditions. The statement was transmitted through the wireless telegraphy stations of the Russian government to the government of the German empire at Berlin.

U. S. MAY DRAFT BRITISH

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Washington .- Signing of the army draft between Great Britain and the United States has been announced. The new British ambassador, Earl Reading, affixed his signature to the document as his first official act in Washington.

Under the treaty the United States may draft into the military service British subjects in this country be-Holdrege, Neb.-Mrs. Nettle Howe f Eustis, and Gordon, her 8-year-old while Great Britain may draft American citizens living within its jurisdiction between the ages of 21 and 31. It was announced that a similar treaty with Canada has been signed.

State Supreme Court Hands Down Decision in Famous O'Connor Case. Back to Lower Court.

The state supreme court has ruled that the state of Nebraska cannot maintain its suit for possession of the property of John O'Connor, who died in Hastings, owning valuable farms in Adams county, and which the state has laid claim to because of alleged lack of proper heirs of the deceased, until all private claimants to the estate, totaling about 150, have had a chance to present their claims in the probate court of Adams county. The case is ordered back to the Adams county district court, with instructions to abate any further proceedings until the probate court has entered final judgment.

Governor Neville announced that he is considering the calling of a special session of the legislature to enact laws to provide means whereby Nebraska soldiers, not members of the regular army, may vote during their terms of service. The announcement was made following a decision by Judge Day in the district court at Omaha that soldiers in any arm of the service, enlisted after the outbreak of the war, are entitled to the right of franchise while serving in the army. The purpose of the legislation sought is to provide the machinery for the soldier vote.

A suggestion that the sugar factories in western Nebraska might be utilized as starch factories for handling the potato crop made by Chancellor Avery of the state university has not met with favor from the factory owners. It is claimed that if the potato crop is handled by the sugar factories, it will result in the reduction of the sugar beet acreage.

The Rulo Reporter has been purchased by Mrs. Larcum, editor of the Globe at White Cloud, Kas. The combined papers will be called the Globe-Reporter and circulated in both Rulo and White Cloud.

Mrs. Ida Hermann of Lincoln. mother of Fred W. Hermann, victim of the Tuscania, whose body was burled in Scotland, with 163 other bodies, has asked the War department to send the body to Lincoln.

Lutherans of Nebraska are expected to raise \$19,000 of the \$750,000 for soldiers' and sailors' welfare work, which was decided upon at a meeting of the national Lutheran commission in Pittsburgh.

The Nebraska branch of the divition of four-minute men of the United States committee on public information now includes 204 cities and towns. The state board of control will not

permit the use of convicts at the state penitentiary in making of roadways in the state, as suggested by the last legislature.

NO CLAIM TO ESTATE levy of any county in the state, according to a compliation prepared by Secretary Benecker of the state board of equalization. The tax levy in Douglas is 166 mills. McPherson is the lowest, with a levy of but 28 mills. Fire of a unnknown origin destroyed the entire wareroom stock of N. H. Haney & Co., manufacturers of horse collars, harness and leather goods at Hastings. The loss is placed at \$50,000. The company has been filling large war contracts for some

Douglas county has the highest tax

time. Paul S. McAulay of Omaha was named superintendent of the state industrial school for girls at Geneva by state board of control. He succeeds Miss Lydia J. McMahon, who recently resigned at the request of the board, following developments regarding relations of the bandmaster, Prof. Fagan, and one of the young women employes.

West Point Home Guard company now comprises nearly 500 men, with a prospect of many more yet to join. E. J. Patton of Stella, who has a contract to furnish walnut logs for the manufacture of gun stocks expects to make a shipment of about 25 car loads before long.

Omaha Ministerial union unanimously passed resolutions indorsing prohibition. The name of Cardinal Gibbons of the Catholic church, who recently reaffirmed his opposition to prohibition, was mentioned in the discussion.

The Tecumseh home guards are drilling regularly. It was one of the first companies organized in the state and is now considered one of the most

active. The total active membership is 148 men, and of this number twenty-seven are veterans of the civil war. The Omaha chamber of commerce has voted favorably on the resolution circulated by the chamber of commerce of the United States, which proposes to avoid an economic war with Germany after present hostilities.

The Masonic temple craft of Omaha will present a service flag to the stockholding bodles of the Masonic temple on March 1, who will in turn dedicate it. This flag has 400 stars and is said to be one of the largest in the United States.

The Lincoln Traction Co. lost its fight before the state railway commission for an emergency fare of 5 cents straight replacing the six-for-a-quarter rate which has been in force in

the city for years. The test case involving the soldier voting law has reached the Nebraska supreme court on an appeal from Douglas county. It has been advanced for argument by the court for

its next sitting, beginning March 4. The Nebraska recreation hall, recently dedicated at Camp Funston, has a seating capacity for 2,000 persons. It is described as an ideal structure

and as one of the finest at any cantonment in the country. The Big Chief Oil & Gas company's

well near Red Cloud has reached a depth of 1.825 feet. The drill is going through a stratum of blue shale and experienced oil men state that the prospect for finding oil is excellent. The proposed plan to have a county farm agent appointed in Buffalo county is meeting with considerable opposition. It is stated an organized effort is under foot to defeat the agent plan. Crete Red Cross workers have sent the following pieces to Chicago: One hundred thirty-three sweaters, 194 pairs of socks, 94 pairs of wristlets, 28 mufflers and 58 helmets. Two hundred thousand bushels of Nebraska potatoes have gone to ruin in Box Butte county, alone, because of lack of market facilities, according to reports. The Lincoln school board has abolished spring vacations, to release 12,000 pupils two weeks earlier for farm work.



MOTHERS

my housework. My baby when seven months old weighed 19 pounds and I feel better than I have for a long time. I never had any medicine do me so much good."-Mrs. PEARL MONYHAN, Mitchell, Ind. Good health during meter in

Good health during maternity is most important factor to both mother and child, and many letters have been received by the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., telling of health restored during this trying period by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vege-table Compound.





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bake at home.

The grocer is required to sell one pound of substitute cereals with every pound of wheat flour, but the housewife is free to use the substitutes in any way she chooses. The food administration, however, has requested women to bake a victory bread in their homes containing 20 per cent or more of wheat flour substitutes.

New Press Association Officers.

Lincoln.-The Nebraska Press association in session here elected the following officers: President, C. D. Cass, Ravenna News; vice-president, Will C. Israel, Havelock Post; corresponding secretary, A. D. Scott, Edgar Sun; treasurer, Frank O. Edgecomb, Geneva Signal. Mr. Cass was promoted, following precedent, and Mr. Israel will follow in his footsteps later. Mr. Scott and Mr. Edgecombe were re-elected Four new members of the executive committee were elected, as follows: For two years, Adam Breede, Hastings Tribune: H. M. Davis, Ord Journal; J. P. O'Fury, Cedar County News; for one year, E. R. Purcell, Broken Bow Chief.

Tuscania Victime Reach 204.

London.-Two hundred and four Americans lost their lives on the Tuscania, according to the latest figures received at American army headquarters. Of this total there have been identified and buried, three officers and 137 men; unidentified buried, one officer and thirty-one men; missing (presumably went down with the ship), thirty-two men.

Crown Prince Sends Congratulations Geneva, Switzerland.-A telegram from Cologne says the German crown prince has telegraphed his congratulations to the different airdomes in Germany on the occasion of the 100th air raid on London.

Favors \$2.50 Wheat Price

Washington-A favorable report on the Gore bill to increase the minimum price for wheat of the 1918 crop from \$2 to \$2.50 per bushel has been made today by the senate agricultural committee.

New Japanese Ambassador

Washington, -- Viscount Kikujiso Ishii has been appointed ambassador for Japan to the United States and will soon reach Washington. He succeeds Ambassador Sato, who takes a place on the unassigned roll of diplomatic representatives in Tokio.

Stockholm. - Travelers returning from Russia report food conditions desperate. They say the principal grave situation with regard to food is in respect to bread, which contains straw, and is almost uneatable.

son, were killed and twenty-five injured, two of them seriously, when a Burlington train was derailed four miles east of Curtis.

The train, west bound from Holdrege to Sterling, Colo., was running about twenty-five miles an hour, had just emerged from a cut and was rounding a slight curve when the crash came. The engine was not overturned, but the five cars toppled down the fifteenfoot fill and were badly splintered. Fire broke out immediately and all but the mail car consumed, the latter being badly damaged.

Asked to Spare the Pigeons

Washington. -- The army signal corps has requested the public to refrain from the shooting of pigeons. Numerous complaints have been made that carrier pigeons of the racing homer type have been shot by hunting expeditions, and the important work of training the birds for military service has been seriously interfered with. Army pigeons are labeled "U. S. A.-18."

Finnish Capital Terrified

Stockholm.-The reign of terror in the Finnish capital is telling on the nerves of all the inhabitants. Every evening some of the men who have left their homes and families in the morning fail to reappear in the evening. The apprehension caused by these disappearances even more than the subsequent finding of their mangled bodies in the morgues and hospitals is shattering the nerves of the women in Helsingfors.

French Pierce Teuton Lines

Paris .- French troops have penetrated the German lines northeast of Courcy on the Aisne front and returned with a number of prisoners. A lively artillery duel was maintained in the Champagne notably in the sector of Butte du Mesnil, where American batteries are stationed. The fight was marked by violent bombardments on the right bank of the Meuse and in the Woevre region. In upper Alsace the French repulsed a German raid in the district south of Seppois.

Says Nebraska Boys are Living Well Lincoln, Neb .-- Prof. Laurence Fossler, head of the German department of the university, has returned from Camp Funston, where he visited for several days with the Nebraska boys. He was on the whole favorably impressed with conditions at the camp. and on his return was of the opinion that Nebraska boys are living in a more healthful environment at Funston than would be possible if they were civilians. He described the food of the soldiers as being entirely wholesome, and their clothing as entirely adequate.

Fiour Mills Ordered to Close Down Kansas City Mo .- An order has been issued by A. J. Hunt, chairman of the southwestern milling division of the federal administration, directing all flour mills that have ground 75 per cent of the normal amount handled in the last three years to suspend operations immediately. About seventy of the 600 mills in the division will be affected. The territory includes Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Utah and western Missourf.

Ex-President Issues Warning.

Chicago .- William H. Taft, former president, warned the jackies at the Great Lakes naval training station against the machinations of "whispering pro-Germans and pacifists," in an address here. He also declared that Germany had murdered 14,000 men. women and children-200 of them Americans - in ruthless submarine warfare.

Raised More Than Draft Asked

Lincoln, Neb .- Several counties of Nebraska will not be required to send any men to Camp Funsion in the coming mobilization of the last 15 per cent of the first draft quota, because of the fact that they have inducted more men into service than they dwed.

Receives Son's Medal of Honor.

Glidden, Ia.-H. D. Hay. father of Merle Hay, Glidden, Ia., boy who was one of the first three American soldiers to give their lives in France, has just received the French "Croix de Guerre" medal which was awarded to the son by the French government in memory of his bravery. It is of beavy bronze, shaped like a maltese cross.

London .- Eight British craft which were hunting submarines have been sunk by a raiding flotilla of enemy destroyers, it is announced officially.

Last Quota to Training Camps Lincoln-Governor Neville has received word that the last 15 per cent of Nebraska's quota under the draft act will be moved to training camps between March 4 and March 9. It is believed the men will be sent direct to a special camp near Fort Riley for a preliminary training of thirty days and then to trained organizations at Camp Funston. A schedule of train service is being prepared by Governor Neville and Capt. Walter L. Anderson, provost marshal, with the aid of railway passenger officials.

Nebraska millers have been notified by the federal food administration that when they have ground 75 per cent of the season's allotment of wheat they must shut down.

For the purpose of conserving the egg supply the federal food administration has ordered that no hens be slaughtered between February 23 and May 1.

Six school districts surrounding the town of Phillips, in Hamilton county, have voted to consolidate the districts into one school.

At a thrift stamp rally at Geneva pledges were signed which puts the district \$7,000 ahead of its apportionment.

Elizabeth Montague chapter, D. A R., of Beatrice is arranging for the annual state convention to be held in that city March 19, 20 and 21.

The total actual cash war saving stamp sale for Nebraska up to February 8, 1918, was \$4,620,691, according to official figures.

Every county in Northwest Nebraska was represented at the dedication of the east wing of the State Normal School at Chadron.

An ordinance is before the city commissioners of Omaha to permit fitneys to operate in the city under a small license.

Omaha is making a concerted effort to bring the national swine show to the city again for 1918. St. Louis and Peoria, Ill., are after the show,

Twenty-six thousand dollars' worth of thrift stamps were sold at a big patriotic rally at Madison.

An attack on the referendum petition against the suffrage law enacted by the last legislature, was made in Lincoln when attorneys representing the Equal Suffrage association, filed a suit in the Lancaster district court asking a restraining order preventing Secretary of State Pool from submitting the referendum petition to a vote of the people. The suit attacks the legality of 14,000 out of the 32,986 signers of the referendum petition and charges of forgery and fraud are made.

The Norfolk Landwehr Verein, an organization composed of former German soldiers, has a new title. It is now known as the Columbia Club of Norfolk. Charges preferred against the club by the county council of defense resulted in the change of the name. The German flag owned by the club was torn to pleces by its officers.

Gage county millers have signed an agreement not to exchange flour for wheat unless the owner of the wheat is willing to take an equal amount of lation of about 300, and has three wheat substitute.

Twenty Nebraska chapters of the National League for Women's Service will attend the state convention at Omaha February 28.

Webster county farmers will held a big mass meeting at Red Cloud next Saturday to consider employing a county agent.

Schools of Valley will hold Saturday sessions for the remainder of the year in order that the larger boys may be released early for farm work. Beatrice Elks recently celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the order.

The annual Nebraska state bowling tournament will be held in Omaha March 16 to 24.

According to State Auditor Smith, taxes due for state administration from 1917 assessments amount to \$4.471.547.13, based on an assessed valuation of \$527,209,666. On this basis, the actual tax valuation of Nebraska is \$2,636,048,330-five 'times the assessed valuation.

Following reports that a great spring wheat seed shortage existed in Madison county an investigation brought to light that farmers in the county are holding large quantitles of seed wheat for higher prices.

State Engineer Johnson has prepared a table showing division of Nebraska into nineteen good road districts, and giving the federal fund allotment for each district. The total federal appropriation for the state is \$3,167,911.24 for the next five years, \$1,266,398.75 of which is to be spent this year.

The State Banking Board has beer. notified that the Third State Bank of Wood Lake has gone into voluntary liquidation. Wood Lake has a popubanks.

In this country the women are divided into two main classes-those who don't believe all their husbands tell them and those who haven't any husbands.-Indianapolis News.

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