

GOVERNMENT SOON TO START CAMP WORK

Announcement From Washington That Two and Half Million Will Be Spent at Des Moines.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Des Moines, June 15.—(Special.)—The government will start constructive work at the conscriptive army camp here within a short time, it has been announced from Washington, and will expend about \$2,500,000. Some 26,000,000 feet of lumber will be required and approximately 5,000 workmen will be employed. It is expected the contracts for the work will be let soon. The government's plan is to let the contract to one man and he will let subcontracts.

Bankers Convention.
Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, was one of the principal speakers at the state bankers convention which met yesterday. Peter Goebel of Kansas City, president of the American Bankers' association, also addressed the convention. More than 2,000 Iowa bankers are in attendance. George S. Parker of Sioux City is president of the association. S. M. Leach of Adel is slated for the presidency next year. F. D. Ball of Creston and O. F. Fryer of Fairfield are candidates for treasurer.

To Buy 150,000 Horses.
The government has announced that it will buy 150,000 horses in the central zone for use by the new conscript army. Eleven officers of the regular army were in Des Moines yesterday for a preliminary inspection of horses in the yards of Joe Nugent, who has been buying for the allies since the outbreak of the war. The officers purchased thirty-six out of seventy inspected.

Red Cross Campaign Starts.
The Red Cross campaign will start in Iowa next week, which has been officially designated by President Wilson and by Governor Harding as Red Cross week. Iowa is expected to raise \$3,000,000 for the Red Cross fund.

Bank Commission Gets Offices.
The new state banking commission created by the last legislature will have its offices in the state house in the rooms now used by the State Pharmacy commission. The pharmacy commission will be given offices in one of the Swanson flats. Additional room for the banking department will also be provided by utilizing a portion of the room just south of the pharmacy commission office, now used by the state architects. The architects will use the room just south of their present one, now a part of the county accounting department quarters.

Caddock Will Buy Land.
Earl Caddock, heavyweight wrestling champion, will put his money in Iowa land, thus following the example of Frank Gotch. Caddock staged a wrestling contest before the state bankers' convention here last night. He told friends that Iowa land was the best investment he knew of and that was where his money was going. He has also bought a big bunch of Liberty bonds. Caddock has picked out a farm of 160 acres not far from his home town of Anita, which he expects to buy. It has been offered to him for \$200 an acre.

Insurance Merger.
The consolidation of the Merchants Life Insurance company of Burlington and the Preferred Life Insurance company of Grand Rapids was announced today. W. W. Watts is to be the head of the new company. The consolidated company will have approximately \$60,000,000 of business in force, \$2,000,000 in assets and capital stock of \$400,000.

Messenger Names Force.
George H. Messenger of Linden, state banking commissioner, who will assume his new duties July 4, has announced the following appointments: J. M. Woodworth, Grinnell, chief inspector. Other inspectors, H. A. Barr, Sioux City; R. T. Fuller, Mason City; V. W. Miller, Cedar Rapids; W. O. Reed, Eldora; Fred J. Bole, Hancock; Vern R. Martin, Oelwein; H. B. Schloe, Perry; R. F. Wilson, Fairfield.

Members of the office force will be: Roy Alber, chief clerk; Adolph E. Griffin and Sarah G. French of Des Moines. Charles A. Mains, who has been chief banking inspector, has accepted a position with the Waterloo Loan and Trust company.

Italian Commission on Trip.
The Italian war commission will visit Burlington Saturday. Governor Harding, who has been invited to Burlington to meet the council, will not be able to accept the invitation, as he will not get back from Washington until the first of next week.

The governor has named the following committee to represent him: Hon. C. E. Pickett, Waterloo; Colonel N. P. French, Davenport; C. H. McNider, Waterloo. A private car will be sent from Burlington to Fort Madison to meet the commission.

Red Oak Will Have Big Patriotic Rally Friday

Red Oak, Ia., June 15.—(Special.)—One of the big features of Governor's day here on Friday of next week will be the auction sale of a 3-week-old calf for the benefit of the Montgomery County chapter of the American National Red Cross. The calf is the gift of John Hossie, 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hossie. Immediately after the address of Governor Harding the calf will be sold to the highest bidder by auctioneers in the public square park and the proceeds will go into the Red Cross treasury.

The purpose of the day is to bring the people of southwestern Iowa together in one grand rally to stir their patriotism to a point not yet reached and to make a demonstration in honor of the members of the Iowa National Guard and the men who registered on June 5, and are subject to military service upon the call of the government.

Governor Harding and Honorable James B. Weaver of Des Moines will deliver addresses. Several military features are being arranged, among which will be an exhibition drill by Company M of Red Oak, Company F of Villisca, Company E of Shenandoah and Company I of Glenwood.

Irish Charged With Rebellion To Be Freed by Government

London, June 15.—It was announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that the government had decided to release all the prisoners taken in the Irish rebellion Easter Sunday, a year ago.

"SUBSEA CAMPAIGN MAKING HEADWAY"

North German Gazette Says Increased Losses for the Kaiser's Enemies.

Berlin, June 14.—(Via London, June 15.)—Under the caption, "Submarine Warfare and War Costs," the North German Gazette has the following to say:

"In none of the warring countries has the question of war costs attracted that degree of attention one was previously led to believe it would. One is almost inclined to assert that the higher the war costs amount, the less attention they arouse and Lloyd George's word concerning the last silver bullets will probably never come true.

"The entrance of the United States

into the war is accounted for in no small degree by the circumstance that they long since became the creditors of our enemies, whose bankruptcies they saw approaching and desired to avert as far as possible. In connection with the participation in the war of the United States and their far-reaching ship building plans, it is especially desirable to project the question of the costs of submarine warfare into public discussion. How do the material losses of our enemies compare with those we are suffering? The answer is quite plain.

"Offsetting the monstrous values which the entente powers are losing daily in ships and cargoes, foremost of which are those of England, not to mention the costs of meeting the submarine war, our losses are almost infinitesimal. They consist only in U-boats and munitions. This wholly unequal proportion becomes more pronounced as the submarine campaign goes on.

Only Means Greater Loss.

"The more our enemies invest in ship building, the greater will be the ratio of values wiped out and to this increased extent we are permitted to

consider the success of our U-boat campaign as an economic gain of immediate importance.

"To be sure our enemies set up the slogan of 'ton for ton,' on which basis they propose to obtain restitution for losses sustained through our submarines. Seriously, they are hardly expecting to realize such a peace condition. Such prospects never did obtain and today they are more remote than ever. We may confidently permit our U-boats to make reply to such a boastful demand."

Kansas City Board Lifts Ban on Price of Corn

Kansas City, June 15.—The board of directors of the Kansas City Board of Trade passed a resolution today removing the maximum price on July corn, but restricting trading in this option to the closing of old contracts. The resolution also stated that new sales of wheat and corn for July delivery will be permitted only when an absolute showing can be made that the grain is in a position for immediate delivery.

FRANCE NEEDS AID IN WHITE PLAGUE FIGHT

Death Rate Twice That of America, Says Dr. Farrand of Rockefeller Foundation.

Boulder, Colo., June 15.—Need of assistance from America in the fight against tuberculosis in the French army was set forth by Dr. Livingston Farrand, president of the University of Colorado and director of the mission to be sent to France by the Rockefeller foundation, in a statement he made before leaving for Paris. Dr. Farrand was for ten years executive secretary of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis.

"The French death rate from tuberculosis is, roughly, twice that of America and three times that of Eng-

land," said Dr. Farrand. Normally France has a high death rate and a low birth rate and with the increase in tuberculosis brought about by the war it is evident that something must be done and without delay.

Plague is Increasing.

"It is estimated in reports to the Rockefeller foundation that 150,000 soldiers have been discharged from the French army because of active tuberculosis. Nor is this condition confined to the army. Refugees from the occupied districts of northern France are breaking down in large numbers and the French prisoners returned from Germany show a high percentage.

"A special commission has been created to care for tubercular soldiers. This work is of the greatest importance and must go on. It is doubtful, however, if at the end of this year there will be more than 10,000 or 12,000 beds available for tuberculosis patients in the whole of France, and they will be occupied almost exclusively by soldiers.

"Conservative estimates indicate 500,000 cases in the country. It is obvious that whatever preventive

measures can be laid down, an immediate need is for hospital accommodations, and there is no more pathetic appeal to which wealthy Americans could respond.

"The extension of infectious diseases in one land in these days is a menace to all. So you see while we shall be fighting the battle against tuberculosis on the first line there in France, we shall really be fighting America's battle as well.

"The fundamental idea behind the Rockefeller foundation in going into this work is not one of relief; it is a wish to co-operate in working out a system for the prevention of tuberculosis and betterment of public health in general. We are going to France to place at its disposal such experience as we have had in the United States."

American Tanker Sunk After Two Hours' Fight

Washington, June 15.—The American tank steamer Moreni was sunk by a German submarine June 12 after a running fight of two hours. Four of the crew lost their lives.



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