

## STATE BRIGADE REACHES DEMING IN FINE HEALTH

Omaha's Machine Gun Companies Start Immediate Training; Boys Served with Lunch by Red Cross.

Deming, N. M., Sept. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Nebraska infantry brigade at Cody is complete with the arrival here today of the Fifth and Sixth infantry respectively commanded by Colonels H. J. Paul and Phil Hall. The troops arrived in a drizzle, which fell on their trains through the last few hours of the trip. No sickness is reported and no accidents. The running time of all trains is considered good.

**Band Plays at El Paso.**  
Colonel Paul allowed the band of the Fifth to march and play on El Paso streets between the Union passenger station and Plaza San Jacinto in the center of the city for a half hour while the section bearing the headquarters, Company A and supply company were served lunch and coffee by the refreshment committee of the Red Cross.

Major E. E. Sterricker was in charge of another train and Major R. L. Crosson managed the third. All the sections got lunch at the hands of El Paso Red Cross women.

The companies from Wymore, Blue Hill and Aurora arrived at Camp Cody last night, ahead of the remainder of the regiment. Company C, from Beatrice, here long ahead of any other unit of the Fifth, pointed the way to the regimental street tonight.

**Conduct Was Exemplary.**  
The supply outfit from Lincoln, Captain H. C. Stein commanding, worked late unloading wagons and animals preparatory to delivering supplies and provisions to the regiment early Tuesday.

Omaha's machine gunners in both the Fifth and Sixth will be among the first special units to get into training. Under the new army formation they probably will be extended into larger numbers.

Major H. T. Harries, commanding the Omaha battalion of the Sixth, said the conduct of the men was exemplary all through the trip and that every man was eager to get into the new training and be ready to join the big movement eastward.

The Sixth did not pass El Paso. Men of the Fifth traveled in coaches without berths and were glad to stretch their legs and stand for the welcome they got at El Paso. They said they had not been dealt with so kindly anywhere else on the trip as they were here. Great quantities of pies, cakes and fruit were bought here by groups of the men to carry on the train.

See Want Ads Produce Results.

## Pueyredon Advised "Sink Ships," Says Von Luxburg

Buenos Aires, Argentina, Sept. 18.—Since being handed his passports Count von Luxburg, it was stated, has been circulating the statement that the idea of sinking Argentine ships "without leaving a trace" was suggested to him by the foreign minister of Argentina as a means of preventing complications. This statement was characterized by Foreign Minister Pueyredon as the "greatest, most shameful, barefaced lie" in his official experience.

The report from Berlin that Dr. Luis B. Molina, the Argentine minister to Germany, had explained to the German government that the handing of passports by Argentina to Count von Luxburg, the German minister, was a personal matter and did not signify a rupture of relations, was classed as of doubtful accuracy by Foreign Minister Pueyredon today. It was true that a rupture had not been created by handing Count von Luxburg his passports, the foreign minister stated, but Dr. Molina's instructions did not provide for any explanation of the situation to Germany.

The foreign minister reiterated today that there will be a rupture of relations with Germany if the latter's explanation of the Luxburg incident is not absolutely satisfactory. Count von Luxburg has notified the foreign office that he plans to leave Argentina by a Dutch steamer sailing September 28, or on a Spanish vessel October 2.

## Witness Puts the Blame on Chemical Defect in Bullets

Washington, Sept. 18.—Colonel George Montgomery, commanding officer of the Frankford Arsenal, was the first witness today before the house military sub-committee investigating the manufacture of defective cartridges at the arsenal. He told how there had been trouble with primers since last January, resulting in the condemning of millions of them by the arsenal's chief inspector, of the purchase from private manufacturers and of the permanent substitution in June of a privately owned primer.

A chemical defect which the inspectors could not detect was responsible for the difficulty, the colonel said, though he suggested that the committee should go into that question with the chief chemist. In addition to the chemical deterioration, he said, there had been insufficient drying of primers in crowded ammunition warehouses.

## Indian is Considered White for Draft Purpose

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 18.—A red skin makes a white man, according to a ruling given by Minnesota state draft officials today. A local exemption board official in the Indian reservation region of northern Minnesota, had sent a telegram asking whether Indians could be included in the contingent made up exclusively of white men. "An Indian is counted as a white man in the draft regulations," was the reply.

## WOMAN COMES TO MYSTERIOUS END

Body Found in Unfurnished Chicago Flat Gives Little Clue to Manner of Victim's Death.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 18.—In the bath room of an unfurnished flat, in one of the better residence sections, the police today found the body of a woman about 26 years old, expensively dressed.

A tube led from her mouth to the gas fixture above, but the gas was not turned on. One of the woman's wrists had been almost severed with a razor, which was found on a window sill in the parlor. The walls and the floor of the apartment were spattered with blood and there was a bucket of water with a sponge in it, with which efforts apparently had been made to wipe up the stain. A complete trousseau was found in a trunk.

There was no furniture in the flat. The only identification possible was a postal card postmarked Decatur, Ill., and addressed to Miss Josephine Parker. It was signed Clara and said, "Do not worry, your furniture is on the way."

Mrs. Lars Anderson said the woman leased the flat a month ago, but had rebuffed all attempts of the neighbors to be friendly and had been so eccentric she was called "the German spy."

## Newspaper Publishers Enter Protest Against Postal Tax

New York, Sept. 18.—The American Newspaper Publishers Association, whose membership consists of daily newspaper publishers in all parts of the country, through its postal committee of which Don C. Seitz is chairman, strongly protested today against either punitive taxation of the newspaper publishing business "or the principle advocated by some of the use of the postal service as an instrument of taxation." A statement issued by the committee said:

"Newspaper publishers without exception expect to pay full taxes of every kind and are protesting spleenly against proposals to visit them with a form of taxation not applied to any other business."

## Tank Steamer Sunk In Collision With Liner

Paris, Monday, Sept. 18.—(Delayed.)—The tank steamship Bouvet was sunk in the Mediterranean on September 12, being in collision with the French passenger liner Orenoque, of 3,833 tons. There were no victims.

After colliding with the Orenoque fire broke out on the Bouvet, and this was followed by an explosion, the ship sinking within a quarter of an hour. The Orenoque, notwithstanding that it was damaged, managed to reach the Algerian coast. Available shipping records do not contain the name of Bouvet. Presumably it was a French tank steamer.

## St. Louis Appeals to Hoover on Milk Increase

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 18.—St. Louis milk distributors at a meeting today decided to appeal to Food Administrator Hoover if the milk producers of Missouri and southern Illinois insist on their proposed increase from \$2.20 to \$3.50 a hundred pounds for milk, which means a jump in the retail price from 11 cents to 16 cents a quart.

An effort to reach an agreement on milk prices will be made at a meeting tomorrow of producers, distributors and city officials.

## Activities on The Various Battle Fronts

(By Associated Press.)

Still lacking in large offensive operations, the European war fields continue to furnish news of multiple local activities. The Germans last night in an attack toward the Neufchatel road near Rheims reached the French lines, but were ejected.

London's official statement is particularly colorless today, but recent communications have mentioned very active raiding work and airplane observation.

The Russians apparently have stopped their forward movement in the Riga district, in which some of the ground lost in the recent retreat was reclaimed.

Enterprise continues to be shown by the Rumanians, who yesterday captured a section of the Teutonic fortified positions in the Varnitza region on the Moldavian front. The Italian official statement merely reports the repulse of further Austrian counter attacks on the Bainsizza plateau and heavy artillery fire on the Carso.

## President Nominates Newton For Collector of Customs

Washington, Sept. 18.—Byron T. Newton of New York was nominated today by President Wilson to be collector of customs at New York.

Daniel C. Roper of South Carolina was nominated to be commissioner on internal revenue.

## Texas Conducts Wholesale House Cleaning of State

Austin, Tex., Sept. 18.—Both branches of the Texas legislature tonight decided on a sweeping investigation of all state departments and institutions by a large committee appointed for that purpose.

## German Barley Once Fed to Pigs, Now to Humans

Zurich, Switzerland, Sept. 18.—The German war food department announces that no barley will be available for feeding purposes, as it is needed for human consumption. The department proposes, therefore, to kill all pigs weighing more than thirty pounds, as soon as the pasture season ends, leaving only a few for breeding purposes.

## FEDERAL EMPLOYEES OPEN CONVENTION

Hear Addresses by Jeanette Rankin and Gompers; Seek Saturday Half Holiday for Government Workers.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Delegates from federal employees' unions throughout the country opened a convention today to perfect a national organization. They expect to elect officers tomorrow.

President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, with which the national body is to be affiliated, addressed the delegates and offered his personal assistance and that of the federation. Other speakers were Miss Jeanette Rankin, representative from Montana, who asked the convention to advocate woman suffrage; James O'Connell, vice president of the American Federation of Labor; Frank Morrison, secretary, and Thomas F. Flaherty, secretary of the National Federation of Postal Employees.

After the organization is complete, it is understood a campaign will be started to obtain for government employees, among other things, better pay, a scientific reclassification, retirement legislation and a year-around Saturday half holiday.

## Engineer Admits He Slept At Post, Causing Wreck

Aurora, Ill., Sept. 18.—A. C. Carlson, engineer of a Chicago, Burlington and Quincy freight train which killed seven when it crashed into a stock train at Farville, Ill., today, admitted to E. R. Norton, coroner of Kane county, tonight that he was asleep at the time of the accident. He had been sick for several days and dropped asleep on his run ten miles

## Woman Sentenced to Labor for Murdering Husband

Shawnee, Okl., Sept. 18.—Mrs. Florence Mary Roe, 38 years old, was found guilty today of the murder of her husband, Jesse Roe, 54 years old, two days after their marriage at Drumright, Okl., and was given a sentence of ninety-nine years at hard labor. Insanity was the plea of the defense.

Roe's body was found, the throat cut, hidden in a trunk, which had been buried under the floor of their house at Merrimac, near here.

before reaching Earlville, he declared in a statement to the coroner's inquest. The Kane county grand jury brought in a report, holding Carlson responsible for the accident. Carlson will be charged with manslaughter, according to States Attorney Wiley.

## Convention of Business Men Predicts End of Anti-War Move

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 18.—American industry's support of the government in its prosecution of the war was reaffirmed today at the opening of the war convention here of American business men called by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

Speaking at a preliminary meeting held by the chamber's national council, John W. Fahey of Boston, honorary vice president of the organization, declared that the country's business men, after helping win the war, will "so organize that never again shall a group of murderers form a government to threaten the progress and liberty of the nation."

## Press Women Into Service; Shortage of Male Help

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 18.—Thirty women started to work today as lumber pilers and machine tenders at a woodworking plant here because of a shortage of male help.

## BEET SUGAR WORKS FOR LOWER PRICES

Voluntary Service of All Industries Better Than Arbitrary Acts of the Government, Says Hoover.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Beet sugar refiners and brokers opened conferences today to work out details of a plan for a central distributing agency planned to co-operate with the food administration and to agree on standard prices.

About 10 per cent of the refiners protested against prices proposed, saying they had made contracts with beet growers at unusually high rates. The food administration announced, however many of the growers affected by these contracts had agreed to accept a lower price as a patriotic duty. A solution will be sought at other conferences tomorrow.

Food Administrator Hoover in an address to the sugar men emphasized that voluntary service of all industries is the only democratic means of meeting the war emergency. In a contest between methods of autocracy and democracy, he said, economic problems in the democracy should be regulated by business men in co-operation with the government rather than by arbitrary acts of the government.

## Von Bernstorff is Received by Sultan

London, Sept. 18.—Count von Bernstorff, formerly German ambassador to the United States, and recently appointed ambassador to Turkey, was received by the Sultan today and presented his credentials, according to a dispatch from Constantinople.

## Important Announcement!

The Scholler & Mueller Piano Company take pleasure to inform the public that they have purchased Hayden Bros. entire stock of Pianos, Player Pianos, Phonographs, Sheet Music and Musical Merchandise.

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