

## NORWEGIANS ARE SUFFERING, SAYS MAJOR HVOSLEF

Army Officer and Attache to United States Government Describes Hardships in His Country.

Ragnvald Hvoslef, a major in the Norwegian army and military attache to the United States government, is in Omaha Thursday to inspect the Fort Omaha balloon school.

Major Hvoslef has the highest praise for the balloon school and is enthusiastic about America.

"You have such wonderful resources here; there seems to be an abundance of food. The food shortage is a grave problem in Norway. We have had bread cards for a long time and the people are meeting the trouble, which the war has imposed upon them with a wonderful spirit. The war has brought us terrible hardships. The food supply is entirely inadequate and many of my people are often underfed, but we are thankful for our great forests, for we do not have to hear the added suffering of a fuel famine, such as Denmark and other neighbors have."

### Well Trained Army.

When asked about the Norwegian army the general smiled proudly. "Small, but well-trained," he said. He is 45 years old and has been in military life since 1895. He has a son 21 years old in the Norwegian army.

He is tall and straight and has a boyish appearance. He has traveled extensively and is familiar with conditions in European countries, including Germany and France. This is his first trip to America and he is impressed with the vastness of the country and its undertakings. He has permission from the War department to visit war camps. He has been in the aviation camps in Texas, was at Fort Sill, Okla. and will visit the Great Lakes naval training station before he returns to Washington.

## LENROOT'S LEAD SWELLED BY LATE BADGER RETURNS

Milwaukee, Wis., April 4.—The latest, though incomplete, returns from Tuesday's senatorial election give Congressman Irvine L. Lenroot, republican, a plurality of 11,669 over Davies, democrat.

Additional returns reported during the night swelled Lenroot's vote to 48,244. Davies to 36,575 and credited Berger, socialist, with 103,431. The latter carried seven counties where the population was largely German.

Marvin B. Rosenberry, present supreme court justice, was re-elected by about 40,000 majority.

Daniel W. Hoan, re-elected mayor of Milwaukee, has plurality of 2,110, according to complete returns. Including the holdover aldermen at large, the new council will consist of 24 nonpartisans and 13 socialists. The mayor will have barely enough support in the council to prevent the overriding of any vetoes which he may make on measures passed by that body.

## HOLES IN PLASTER STRICTLY "O. K.," SAYS ARCHITECT

The conclusion that perforated plastering indicates poor workmanship in the building of the new annex to the county hospital is declared to be unwarranted and unfair by both Architect J. M. Nachtigall and Arthur M. Moore, one of the contractors erecting the structure.

"The photograph that has been reproduced," says Mr. Nachtigall, "represents not the majority of the wall space, but a portion about 18 inches square in a job of approximately 3,000 yards. The first coat in a three-coat job, such as this is, is known as the scratch coat and is invariably thin. I will assure the taxpayers that this job will stand any test when it is finished."

"As to my neglecting to properly supervise this job, I have been out there more than a dozen times, and will continue to go out as often as I deem necessary to oversee the proper construction of the building. Arthur M. Moore, for Moore brothers, contractors, says: "You may say for me the plastering done in that building will be a first-class job. No job is completed until it is finished, and this one will bear the closest scrutiny. Mr. Nachtigall has been out many times to oversee the work, and we have acted upon his every suggestion."

## CLEAR WEATHER WILL BRING BIG ITALIAN BATTLE

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under Mackensen have now been placed on our front.

### To Try Mountain Route.

"Italian aviators report that the Austrians are transferring large bodies of troops from the Piave line to the mountain zones. Evidently the Austrian commands has realized the impossibility of breaking through the Italian resistance along the Piave, and regards the mountain line more suited for the invasion of Italy. "Lately the Austrians have undertaken the construction of new fortifications along the Livenza and the Tagliamento rivers, adopting a new system consisting of points of support with several bridge heads employing in this work Italian prisoners, and the civilian population of the invaded Italian provinces."

## Chamber of Commerce Warns Against Smallpox Epidemic

The executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce has sent a letter to members, urging every precaution against smallpox. The letter says 150 new cases of smallpox have developed in the city in the last three weeks and that the situation is particularly grave because of the large number of soldiers stationed here.

## Missouri Flood Waters Are Rapidly Receding

Flood waters of the Missouri river are rapidly receding and all danger of an overflow has passed. Some of the gardens and farms on the lowlands have been flooded slightly, but it is believed the water will drain off so that the land can be cropped.

## Germans Promise Fight Soon Will Begin Again

Amsterdam, April 4.—German newspapers received here assert that the marked decrease in the fighting in France was made necessary by the bad weather, but that it soon will begin again.

## NINE BILLION IS WAR COST TO U. S. FOR FIRST YEAR

More Than One-Half Goes to Allies; Slow Progress of Ship Building Cuts Expense.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 4.—Nine billion dollars is the approximate cost of the United States of one year of war.

More than one half has gone in loans to allies and will be repaid eventually; over one third has been spent for the army and military establishment; one-tenth for the navy and one-fifteenth for ship building.

Just one-sixth of this war cost has been raised by taxation and other ordinary sources of revenue, and the balance has come from sale of liberty bonds and certificates of indebtedness.

Enormous as these war expenditures may seem to a country whose government in peace times costs between \$700,000,000 and \$800,000,000, they are less than Great Britain and are only about two-thirds of estimates made by officials less than a year ago. Slow progress of the ship building program and the retarding of the pouring of war supplies are regarded by officials as the chief reasons why expenses did not equal estimates.

### Under Billion Monthly.

Government expenses now are running about a billion dollars a month with somewhat less than half going to allies, who spend the greater part of their loans for war supplies in this country.

Since the declaration of war April 6, 1917, the government's actual expenditures have been more than \$9,800,000,000, but about \$800,000,000 of this sum would have been spent for normal activities even if the United States had not entered the war.

Ordinary expenditures under which the treasury classifies all outlays for operation of the governmental machinery and war enterprises since the declaration of war, have been approximately \$5,084,000,000. Actual payments to allies amounted to about \$474,000,000.

Income from internal revenue, most of which is represented by war taxes, and from customs and miscellaneous sources, was run up to about \$1,535,000,000 and the two Liberty loans have brought to the treasury a little less than \$5,800,000,000. Small collections from war savings and thrift stamps in the last four months amount to \$140,000,000.

There are a number of other minor receipts and expenditures but they do not materially affect the condition of the public coffers. Outlays for redemption of certificates of indebtedness mean little to the government in the long run since certificates represents short time loans—public borrowings which are repaid within three months.

About \$3,200,000,000 of certificates of indebtedness are now outstanding.

## Council Approves Boost in Pay for City Toilers

Superintendent Parks of the street maintenance department recommended and city council approved an increase from 30 to 36 cents per hour for laborers. Other city commissioners who employ laborers said that they would allow the same increase.

## CALLS ON COUNCIL TO OBEY CONSTITUTION

National Nonpartisan League Speaker at Lincoln Asks Body to Uphold Law and Thereby Permit Free Speech.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, April 4.—(Special.)—Future state officers of Nebraska will draw their salaries without any qualms of conscience when they make out their vouchers, according to W. T. Mills of California, sent here by the national nonpartisan league to tell members of the legislature what the league stands for.

However very few of the members took the trouble to attend, less than a dozen being present. Secretary Henry Richmond of the council of defense was present and even clapped his hands sometimes when the speaker said things which suited him. Mr. Mills at times referred to the "Wahooism" of certain interests which were working against the league and referred to the state council of defense by saying that the council of defense exists to protect us all in our liberties and rights.

### Upholding Constitution.

Mills asked if the council has arrested or caused the arrest of the ex-saloon keeper at Wahoo who openly violated the constitution of the United States and also of the state.

"Until they do," he said, "we are waiting to hear from the guardian of the peace. The men who abducted a representative of the league in your state a short time ago said they did so with the approval of the council of defense. If they lied they should be chastised. If they did not the personnel of the state council of defense should be reorganized."

He said that the league was an organization intended to protect the interests of the farmers. There was no disloyalty in it and it was just as strong for winning the war as any organization in the United States. But

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## FRENCH SEIZE THIRTY GERMANS IN NIGHT RAID

Hot Artillery Duels Occur on Front North of Montdidier; Teuton Attacks Near Rheims Fail.

Chicago, April 4.—Saturday, April 6, will be a legal holiday in Chicago, as marking not only the first anniversary of the entry of the United States into the war, but also the opening of the third Liberty loan drive. A monster parade and many patriotic demonstrations are planned.

Paris, April 4.—Heavy artillery fighting occurred last night on the front north of Montdidier, the war office announces. In raids in Champagne and on the Verdun front the French took prisoners and also captured two machine guns.

The statement says: "The artillery fighting became very violent during the night in the region north of Montdidier. Northwest of Rheims, in the Champagne, and on the left bank of the Meuse (Verdun front), French troops penetrated German trenches at several points, bringing back 30 prisoners and two machine guns. German raids east of Rheims, in Avocourt wood, and north of St. Die were without success."

### Ex-Congressman Cook Dies.

Oshkosh, Wis., April 4.—S. A. Cook, 79, ex-congressman and pioneer paper manufacturer of Neenah, Wis., died at his home at Neenah this morning.

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