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STATE ROADS WILL RECEIVE MANY MILLION

BY 1921 OVER \$266,000,000 WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR HIGHWAYS OF THE STATES

PLAN FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Every Section of Country to Be Benefitted—State Aid Depends Upon Action of States

Washington, Apr. 18.—Despite the failure of the last congress to pass important appropriation measures, the federal government is getting under way a vast amount of building and construction work. The department of labor calls attention to the fact that by the end of the fiscal year 1921 there will be available for federal aid for state road building more than \$266,000,000. Congress passed the appropriation for \$9,050,000 for new hospitals and improvements to old ones needed by the public health service and this building activity is being rushed and will be under way by the end of the year. Some of these projects will be under construction by midsummer. More than \$30,000,000 are involved in the maintenance and construction work set out in the rivers and harbors appropriation bill passed by the last congress.

The harbors and rivers improvement work takes in almost every section of the country, much of it being planned for the southeast, the Atlantic coast and the Pacific states. More than a million dollars will be spent along the Mississippi river, approximately \$3,500,000 on the Ohio river, and about \$500,000 along the Missouri river.

There is an appropriation of \$1,500,000 for the building of a sanatorium at Dawson Springs, Ky., the survey is being made and for the site and hospital plant at Norfolk, Virginia. \$900,000 has been appropriated. An appropriation of \$550,000 was made to take care of the hospital project in the District of Columbia and \$190,000 was voted for improvements in the Marine hospital at Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y.

The spending of \$266,000,000 appropriated for federal aid for road building depends upon the several states. Some are hesitating to avail of this opportunity to enjoy federal assistance in building state roads; other states appear to be slow to take advantage of the opportunity. However, the money is, or will be available and the federal government is anxious that states make the most of their opportunities during the current year as road building will do much to stimulate business and to provide buffer employment for labor until the industrial transition from war to peace has been effected.

WILL REOPEN DISCUSSION

Washington, Apr. 18.—President Wilson has instructed the industrial board of the department of commerce and the railroad administration to reopen the discussion in regard to price stabilization and find common ground for agreement. They will await the return of Director General Hines next week.

FOUR COUNTIES HAVE GUARANTEED QUOTAS

Portland, Ore., Apr. 18.—Washington, Yamhill, Klamath and Union counties have officially announced that they have guaranteed their Victory loan quotas through their banks.

FINE CROP OUTLOOK BUT HELP SCARCE

Grain Through Winter in Excellent Condition, Clover Suffers, But Fruit Crop Promising

Portland, Ore., Apr. 18.—Farm work is unusually backward over most of western Oregon and farm labor is scarce, according to the weekly crop estimate issued by the weather bureau here. The past week was moderately cool and frequent showers occurred over most of the state but there was considerable sunshine between showers. Frost occurred several mornings and vegetation developed slowly.

Winter wheat, oats and rye came through the winter in excellent condition except for a small amount of winter killing caused by the cold, dry weather in January, and some local damage by excessive moisture later in the winter in the western counties, the state summary says. These crops made slow but satisfactory progress during the week. Seeding of spring wheat and oats is proceeding rapidly except where delay by wet soil and in some eastern counties is practically complete.

Some damage was done to cherry, peach and apricot bloom by frost, but in most of the commercial fruit districts the staple fruits are not thought to be seriously injured. Pears and cherries are blooming in many sections and prunes in some of the milder districts, while apple bloom is just beginning to open in a few localities. Wild strawberries are blooming. Fruit trees are in excellent condition.

There is some complaint of winter-killing of clover in the Willamette valley. Alfalfa wintered well and is making a good start but needs warmer weather. Pastures and the lower ranges are furnishing ample feed for stock.

SALEM ELKS AFTER NEXT STATE CONVENTION

Salem, Ore., Apr. 18.—The Elks here are determined to bring the 1920 state convention of that order to Salem. They have decided to send a big delegation to Klamath Falls in August.

SCIENTISTS OBSERVE COURSE OF THE 'FLU'

London, Apr. 18.—London scientists who are observing the operations of Spanish influenza say that, so far as the British Isles are concerned, it moves in waves. The country is just recovering from the third wave within a year.

The disease first made its appearance here last July and began to subside toward the end of August. Eight weeks later, in October, it reappeared, and by the middle of November had apparently run its course. The third wave came in January, and by the early days of March had apparently done its worst.

Physicians point out that if the disease is to remain for an indefinite period another wave may be expected toward the end of this month, and are warning the people to take all necessary precautions.

CONGRESSMAN SINNOTT TO KLAMATH FALLS

Salem, Ore., Apr. 18.—Congressman Sinnott left yesterday for Klamath Falls and Bend, and will go from the latter city to The Dalles.

JAPANESE TROOPS SENT TO KOREA

San Francisco, Apr. 18.—Two divisions of Japanese troops have been ordered to Korea to suppress revolutionary uprisings, a cablegram to a Japanese newspaper here says. Another message says 6,000 Japanese troops and 400 gendarmes have landed at Pusan, Korea.

ITALIANS DETERMINED TO HAVE CITY OF FIUME

Germans Not Permitted to Discuss Peace Terms—Lettish Government Ousted—General Foch Framing Plans to Use in Case Germany Refuses to Sign

Paris, Apr. 18.—Conflicting claims to the city of Fiume and the Dalmatian coast, which has been laid before the conference here by Italy and Jugo-Slavia, will be brought to a decision soon. The controversy has aroused public sentiment in Italy and when the Italian parliament meets April 24 Premier Orlando will probably be asked for a report, so he is anxious for a settlement before then.

The allied peace terms will probably not be laid before the Germans until Saturday of next week and maybe not until the following Monday. This will delay the proceedings and it is not expected that the Germans can go to Weimar and receive instructions and return to Paris before May 8.

According to the present plans, the Germans will be permitted to ask questions but no discussion of the terms will be permitted. Only

ICEBREAKER MAKES WAY TO ARCHANGEL

Archangel, Apr. 18.—Brigadier General Richardson arrived here with his staff aboard the first big icebreaker which has made its way into the docks since the beginning of winter. He made public to the troops a telegram from General Pershing, calling on them to maintain their morale.

TURKS DISCARD ARMENIAN GIRLS FROM THEIR HAREMS

New York, Apr. 18.—Dispatches from Constantinople received today by the American committee for Armenian and Syrian relief reported that the problem presented by the release of thousands of Christian women and children from Turkish harems in Asia Minor is constantly growing. Many have been given shelter by the relief workers, but there remain a large number wandering about the country destitute, some of them crazed from hunger and exposure.

Telegrams have been received in Constantinople from Gregorian bishops, pastors and leading business men in various sections of Asia Minor appealing for help for these women and children. The Turks, the message said, were casting adrift the Armenian girls they had taken into their homes and orphanages for the purpose of bringing them up as Moslems, believing that by thus setting them free they themselves might be able to escape punishment.

FANCY PRICE PAID FOR 1919 CROP HOOD RIVER APPLES

Hood River, Ore., Apr. 18.—A stir was caused among apple growers here by the purchase of the entire 1919 crop of A. I. Mason, Pine Grove orchardist, by John Walgren, operating for English importers. Walgren will pay, according to the terms of the agreement an average of \$1.75 per box for three grades of fruit. It is estimated that Mason will have 10,000 boxes.

Portland, Apr. 18.—In order that work on the Pacific International livestock exposition's permanent stock show building may begin at the earliest possible moment, three shifts of men have been kept working day and night, filling in the depressions on the 15-acre North Portland site, where the largest and most important livestock exposition west of the Mississippi is to be located.

President Wilson and the allied premiers will be present.

Liban was seized by the German and Baltic-German troops. The Lettish provisional agreement has been ousted, it is reported, and some of the ministers imprisoned. The British mission is at Liban and British warships are in the harbor. Some action may be taken against the Germans.

Paris, Apr. 18.—With the return of Lloyd George the council of four has resumed their deliberations.

Paris, Apr. 18.—Military experts under General Foch are drafting a report of what will be done if Germany refuses to sign the treaty. It is indicated that the methods of coercion may include the occupation of more German territory, blockade of enemy ports, and the discontinuance of dispatch of food supplies to Germany.

LIEUT. M'CONKEY FOUND DEAD IN BED

San Antonio, Tex., Apr. 18.—Lieutenant Colonel Clyde J. McConkey, camp inspector at Camp Travis, was found in his quarters with a bullet hole through his head. A pistol was beside the body. He was 32 years of age and unmarried. His home was in Minnesota and he had served in France.

TOO LOTS OF GUNPOWDER TO BEAT "SQUARE-HEADS"

Washington, Apr. 18.—During the battle of the Somme in 1916 the British army used 4,000,000 rounds of artillery ammunition, according to a statistical announcement published today by the war department. This is the largest number of shells used in any single engagement so far as records show.

Second in amount of artillery ammunition used was the battle of Messines ridge in 1917, when 2,753,000 rounds were used by the British. For a single hour, however, American forces in the battle of the St. Mihiel salient in 1918 far surpassed this record, using 1,093,217 shells in four hours.

BILLIE SUNDAY WOULD PUT HOBBLES ON HEINIES

Washington, Apr. 18.—The league of nations is all right, Billy Sunday declared as he breezed into the White House today.

"I'm for anything that will put the hobbles on that bunch of 'heinie'," he added, as he slapped a big policeman on the back and jumped down five steps at once.

Sunday will make a trip throughout the country in the interest of the Victory loan.

"I am going into the bolshevik strongholds," he said.

RAINBOW DIVISION BEGINS EMBARKING FOR HOME

Washington, Apr. 18.—More than 4,500 officers and men of the 42nd (Rainbow) division were included in troops announced by the war department today as having sailed from France. The Rainbow division men are aboard four warships, the battleships Minnesota and South Carolina, due at Newport News, April 27, and the North Carolina and Montana due at New York on the same day.

GEN. WOOD'S VIEW ON COURT MARTIAL

Urges Careful Scrutiny of Cases, Scott Warns Against Weakening of Army Discipline

Washington, Apr. 18.—Three major generals of the regular army—Leonard Wood and Hugh L. Scott (retired), former chiefs of the general staff and each of whom trained and commanded divisions during the war and Jno. L. Chamberlain, inspector general, opposed yesterday afternoon before the American Bar association committee inquiring into the subject of military justice, any plan of taking from the president and the commanding generals the control they now exercise over courts martial.

The present controversy as to wartime sentences began with the proposal of Lieutenant Colonel Samuel T. Ansell, then acting judge advocate general, to repose in the judge advocate general final jurisdiction of these cases.

The three officers heard today were in agreement that the proposed change would impair the disciplinary system although all of them say defects in existing laws or regulations which should be remedied. To meet complaints as to excessive sentences, the officers were of the opinion that the president should be authorized by law to fix maximum penalties in war times as well as in peace.

"But whatever is done," General Wood declared, "don't give us any possibility of a Harry Thaw case in the army. Give us a simple, direct process. We don't want the haggling over technicalities of civil court cases."

General Chamberlain opposed the suggestion that it be made mandatory that trained legal officers preside over courts.

General Scott was positive in his assertion that control of discipline was an essential function of command.

"The weakening of discipline in the Russian army," said General Scott, who was a member of the Root mission to Russia, "destroyed Russia."

The fundamental defect in our court martial procedure," General Wood said, "is not in the machinery, but in the failure to carry out its operations properly."

General Wood urged that more careful scrutiny should be given to cases before they were brought to trial, particularly by division or department commanders.

COTTON GROWERS REDUCE ACREAGE

Washington, Apr. 18.—Attorney General Palmer has been asked by Secretary Houston, of the department of agriculture, for an opinion as to the legality of the movement among Southern cotton planters to reduce their acreage with the purpose of holding up cotton prices.

SUBMARINES LOST IN HEAVY STORM

Cherbourg, France, Apr. 18.—Seven German submarines on their way here from England, in tow, have been lost in a storm. Of eight submarines en route only one arrived safely.

ALLIED SHELLING BREAKING THE REDS

Archangel, Apr. 18.—The bolsheviks have evacuated the town of Bolshe-Ozerki, being driven out by constant allied shelling. The bolshevik morale is impaired by the bombardment. There is a shortage of supplies due to thawing roads. Officers are holding the Reds in place by machine guns in the rear.

ANNIHILATION OF BOURGEOISE BY RED ARMIES

SOVIETS TAKE 70,000 INCLUDING WOMEN AND CHILDREN, TO DVINA RIVER

CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE FINNS

Bolshevik Claim Victories on All Battle Fronts, From Baltic to the Black Sea

Stockholm, Apr. 18.—The bolsheviks are carrying out a rapid and systematic annihilation of all the bourgeois elements in Riga, according to reports from Liban. The victims are taken to the Island of Hasen in the Dvina river and are said to number 70,000, including women and children.

London, Apr. 18.—Continued successes for Russian soviet forces along almost the whole of the western front from the Baltic to the Black sea is claimed in a Russian official wireless dispatch received here today.

West of Riga, the Letts have been driven southward to within four miles of Mitau.

West of Proskurof, the bolsheviks have taken Volochysk, on the former Russian Galician frontier and within 25 miles of Earnopol.

In the Crimea soviet forces have crossed the salt lakes and advanced in the direction of Simferopol, capital of the Crimea.

The statement adds: "We have compelled the enemy to withdraw across the frontier in the region of Lake Sander, north of Olonetz. On the whole of the Courland front the offensive continues to meet with success, especially in the region of Scholotsk, where the enemy's right has been cleared as far as four miles from Mitau."

The mention by the Russian soviet government of fighting in the region north of Olonetz indicates that the bolsheviks have resumed the campaign against the Finns. Olonetz is northeast of Petrograd and on the opposite side of Lake Ladoga.

London, Apr. 18.—Eighteen hundred persons, including 400 women, were murdered by the bolsheviks at Ufa, according to a telegram from Omsk.

Ufa, one of the principal cities in the Orenburg district near the Siberian border, was taken by the bolsheviks early this spring, but late in March was recaptured by forces of the Omsk-all-Russian government, which have continued to press back the bolsheviks in this region. Dispatches from Omsk, dated April 5, and received on Tuesday, announced the massacre by the bolsheviks of more than 2000 civilians in and near the town of Osa, to the north of Ufa, in this district.

LILLIAN KNEW

Chicago, Apr. 18.—Spiritualists produced the shape of Lou Houseman for his daughter, Lillian. "He's in spiritland," they said. "Wrong," corrected Lillian. "It's Hot Springs."

BOLSHEVIKS BEATEN IN ATTEMPTED RAID

Vienna, Apr. 18.—Bolshevik sympathizers yesterday attempted to storm the Austrian parliament building but were soon dispersed, with a few wounded. The city is generally quiet.