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Daily Weather Report

Fair Tonight and Sunday.

Highest temp. yesterday 86
Lowest temp. last night 52

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BATTLE FIELD IS COVERED WITH MUD

Heavy Rains Make Infantry Attacks Impossible.

ALLIED FORCES STILL ON THE OFFENSIVE

Reports States That Five Thousand of Kaiser's Famous Guardsmen Were Killed in One Battle.

LONDON, July 8.—(By Keen, special U. P. correspondent.)—The second week of the allies' offensive, found the allies everywhere attacking, despite counter attacks. A heavy downpour of rain has converted the battle ground into a vast sea of mud, but despite this handicap, the French today claimed some slight further progress south of the Somme, taking four hundred prisoners. The British troops north of the Somme, improved the positions taken yesterday. Fighting at the village of Contalmaison has been deadlocked. Paris reported that five thousand of the Kaiser's famous Prussian guardsmen were killed at Contalmaison.

Petrograd today reported the capture of three villages in the region of Kolki, after heavy bayonet fighting. The wild rumors that the Austro-Germans have begun a general retreat from Riga to Galicia, are discredited here. The British aeroplanes have rendered valuable service despite the unfavorable weather yesterday, and aided in reconnaissance work, besides completely wrecking an enemy hauger.

Austrians Are Cut Off.

PETROGRAD, July 8.—An Austrian force estimated at between 20,000 and 30,000 has been cut off southwest of Kolomea. The Austrians had massed to the eastward, when a sudden dash of the Russian infantry seizing the railway station, stopped the retreat to the south. The right wing of the Russians has severed the communications north.

PLANS ARE READY FOR MONDAY NIGHT

L. G. Hicks, city engineer, announced definitely today that the plans and specifications for the Roseburg & Eastern Railroad would be completed and ready for adoption by Monday night, the regular meeting night of the city council. Nearly everything pertaining to the work has been completed. One more drawing of the 100-foot truss for the North Umpqua bridge remains to be completed while the totals for the estimate have not yet been added. In preparing the plans Mr. Hicks has made 46 drawings which together with the alignment sheet and profile map which he has also prepared, make 48 documents which will be filed as plans for the railroad.

The specifications are composed of 80 pages of double spaced extra length typewritten pages representing hours of work in their collection and compilation. During the period in which he has been engaged in this work Mr. Hicks has given up practically all outside business and has devoted himself entirely to the one project. He has been assisted throughout by V. W. Gilkey, and a part of the time by R. H. Fleser. The stenographic work was done by Miss Ethel Patrick.

The specifications this time are minus the form of contract which accompanied them when they were brought before the council the first time. The form is being worked on by the legal department and will be submitted after the plans have been adopted and the bids advertised for. An ordinance adopting the plans

and specifications is now being prepared by the city attorney and also a resolution authorizing the city recorder to advertise at once for bids for the construction of the road. The ordinance bears an emergency clause and will be effective immediately after its passage so that there will be no delay in this regard. The length of time for advertising for bids has not yet been decided upon, but will be at least ten days or more.

STOLEN AUTOS ARE COMING THIS WAY.

The local officers today received word from Seattle to be on the lookout for three stolen autos which it is believed are coming this way. The number of the cars and their description was furnished in the telegram. Douglas county has received a great deal of prominence during the past few years because of the fact that so many auto thieves have been captured here.

DENY ENGLISH REPORT OF NAVAL BATTLE

BERLIN, July 8.—A submerged enemy submarine attacked without warning, nine peaceful German trade ships enroute to Swinemunde on July 2. The ships luckily escaped, the admiralty announced. The torpedo wake was clearly observed as the torpedo passed between two of the ships. Armed patrol boats at once gave pursuit. The admiralty denied the correctness of Admiral Jellicoe's version of the loss, in the battle of Skagerack, and declared the German statement was correct.

LOCAL COMMITTEE HOLDS MEETING

Plans Discussed For Selling More Chautauqua Tickets.

MONDAY LAST DAY FOR REDUCED PRICES

Comus Players Will Open Week's Entertainment on Tuesday Evening With "Carson of the North Woods"

At a meeting held this morning in the Commercial club rooms definite arrangements were made by the local Chautauqua association for the sale of the remaining two hundred tickets. Tonight at 7:30 the campaign will be given a send off with a concert by the band at Cass and Jackson streets. During the intermission the "flying squadron" of ticket sellers will make talks from automobiles and sell tickets to those who will buy. This committee made a systematic canvass of the town during the day. They want it understood, however, that they were not able to call on everybody, and that tickets are on sale at the drug stores and the Douglas National Bank.

As a special feature of the Commercial club picnic on Monday evening the band will play such tunes as "Everybody's Doing It, Doing What?"—Buying chautauqua tickets, of course. They will be the last chance for the business men to get their tickets at the reduced rate of \$2.50. For on Tuesday noon the price advances to \$3.00.

The Chautauqua spirit has been in the air for the past week but during the past two days the air is literally charged with it. Banners are flying across the streets and pennants are streaming from automobiles. Boosters are everywhere in evidence wearing booster hats bearing the slogan "Chautauqua, Let's Go". Even the children caught the spirit this morning and an impromptu parade through the main streets of the town was the result. Over 50 children decorated with war bonnets and pennants were in the parade showing that they, too, were boosters for the big week for chautauqua is a good time week for the kiddies as well as the grown ups.

Chautauqua will commence on Tuesday evening when the Comus Players present their famous "Car-

BANDITS UNDER VILLA AGAIN IN THE FIELD

Towns Along International Border in Danger of Attack. REPORTED WELL ARMED AND MOUNTED

Differences Between Countries May Be Disrupted by The Activities of Bandit Thought Dead.

EL PASO, July 8.—Several sources today reported that Villista bands were moving toward the Big Bend country in Texas, to raid the American towns. These are believed to be the same one about which Carranza warned Lansing, intimating that the Mexican troops might not be able to defeat the bandits. The Villistas left Falmuir yesterday, and smaller groups are joining the band everywhere. They are reported as being well armed, with plenty of ammunition and well mounted. Preconcertedly the Villistas have gathered at Falmuir and are moving toward Lamula pass. Army officers believe that Villa may succeed in shattering the attempts now being made to adjust the differences between the United States and Mexico. It is reported that a bullet through the muscles of both thighs caused Villa's wounds, and that he is now recovered sufficiently to walk without a limp. The war department does not place much faith in the reports that

son of the North Woods". This is a play of the life around Quebec and the setting and characters are true to the quaint life of that region. Seven full days are on the program for this year and every number is a headliner.

The local committee is very desirous of selling the full number of tickets and ask the co-operation of the people of Roseburg in this matter. These people want it understood that they do not get a thing out of their work except personal satisfaction, but they are willing to plan and boost and do all in their power to make it a success. Mr. C. S. Heinline, secretary of the local association, said today that "Chautauqua is a worthy institution and needs the support of everybody to make it the success that it should be. He said further: "We are greatly pleased with the outlook and in a few years Roseburg will have a Chautauqua which will rival that of Gladstone or of any city in the west".

Villa is alive, but the state department is less skeptical.

No American Money for Mexico.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—The president will not attempt to rehabilitate Mexico with American money, unless Carranza requests it, as the administration officials have been informed that offers of financial assistance will be refused. Carranza needs money, but refused to consider borrowing from any foreign country, because the loan might mean intervention in order to collect the interest.

NO ROSEBURG WOMAN WOULD DO THIS

In the city of Buffalo the other day one of the women's clubs held a "White Elephant" party, the idea being that every woman must bring something of no real use, but that was too good to be thrown away. A prize was offered for the most original contribution and the woman who won it brought her husband. It is not stated whether she was a suffragette.

ARTILLERY MAY GO TO BORDER

Local coast artillerymen are confident that they will be called to service in Mexico within a short time. With the recent orders to recruit the fourth company to war strength of 100 men coming at the same time as the preparations for the annual encampment it is believed significant that the government is seriously contemplating the sending of the coast artillery to the border.

The orders for the annual encampment at Fort Stevens were received some time ago. This is the event of the year for the company for they go to the fort and have several days of practice with the big guns under regular war conditions. It is believed by many that this year as soon as they arrive they will be changed from artillery to infantry and taken directly from their camp to the Mexican frontier.

The war department issued orders a few weeks ago that four new companies of coast artillery be organized within the state as rapidly as possible and if this is done it will bring the artillery to the same standard as a regiment of infantry and it would be a very simple matter to transfer them from one branch of the service to another. Under the new oath which they have just taken the militia is under the control of the war department and can be taken to any place the same as the regular army.

Willis Edwards, of Drain came to this city today to visit at the home of Attorney C. F. Hopkins.

CARRANZISTAS BATTLE WITH BANDIT GANG

Result of Encounter is Not as Yet Known.

COMMUNICATION LINES TO PARRAL CUT

Delay in Getting Into Contact With Mauding Bands Caused By Burning Out of Bridges.

EL PASO, July 8.—A desperate engagement is raging southeast of Jiminez between two thousand Carranzistas and eight hundred Villistas under the command of General Contreras, said the official dispatches to General Gonzalez at Juarez. It is unofficially reported that General Villa is at the head of three thousand troops advancing on Parral for an attack. Villa evacuated Jiminez which he captured two days ago, and has cut the communication lines to Parral. One thousand Carranzistas are in the garrison at Parral.

Jiminez, which the Villistas captured after defeating an inferior force and killing General Ignacio Ramos, has been occupied again by government troops. The bandits are fleeing through the valley of the river Florida.

Refugees Spread Report.

Refugees who left Jiminez before the Villistas were near the city were responsible for the story that Pancho Villa commanded the bandits. Nothing definite regarding his presence has been received here.

General Jacinto Trevino characterized as absurd reports that a revolt against the de facto government was in progress and that Alvaro Obregon, minister of war, would take the field against the bandits.

He said only a few of the chiefs who had never concluded negotiations to accept amnesty were concerned, and added that there would be no reason whatever for General Obregon to dignify the bandit operations by assuming charge of the campaign against them.

Bridges Are Burned.

Military men here explain the delay in getting into touch with the Villistas as being caused by the burning out of bridges, which hampered transportation of large bodies of troops. General Trevino has announced that he realizes fully the

PETITION FOR PAROLE.

It is understood that about five hundred names have been placed on the petition to have Eben Mode, a prisoner in the county jail, paroled. He was sentenced on a charge of assault, the crime having been committed against Mrs. Fisher, of Kellogg. Mode has been in jail several weeks and his health is such that his friends are afraid he will become an invalid if forced to remain much longer.

necessity of an active systematic campaigning that will crush out the bandits in short order.

YONCALLA WOMAN DIES.

Mrs. M. L. Dugway, one of Yoncalla's most respected residents, died last night at Mercy hospital after a short illness. Mr. Dugway, who was 47 years of age, was a native of Minnesota, coming to Oregon and settling with her husband near Yoncalla about three years ago. She had been sick only a short time her death occurring last night about 9 o'clock.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Myra Beebe, by her husband, M. L. Dugway, and one son, Herbert. The body will be taken to Yoncalla for burial.

MORE DEATHS FROM DREAD PARALYSIS

Home Defense League Takes Steps to Check Disease.

NINETY-FIVE NEW CASES REPORTED

Proposal to Quarantine The Metropolis of the Nation Has Been Abandoned as Impracticable.

NEW YORK, July 8.—Ten thousand New York citizens, members of the Home Defense League, were called out to aid in the fight against infantile paralysis. Eighteen more deaths and 95 new cases were reported today, the majority in Brooklyn. Quarantine Abandoned.

The proposal for a general quarantine of the city was abandoned as impracticable.

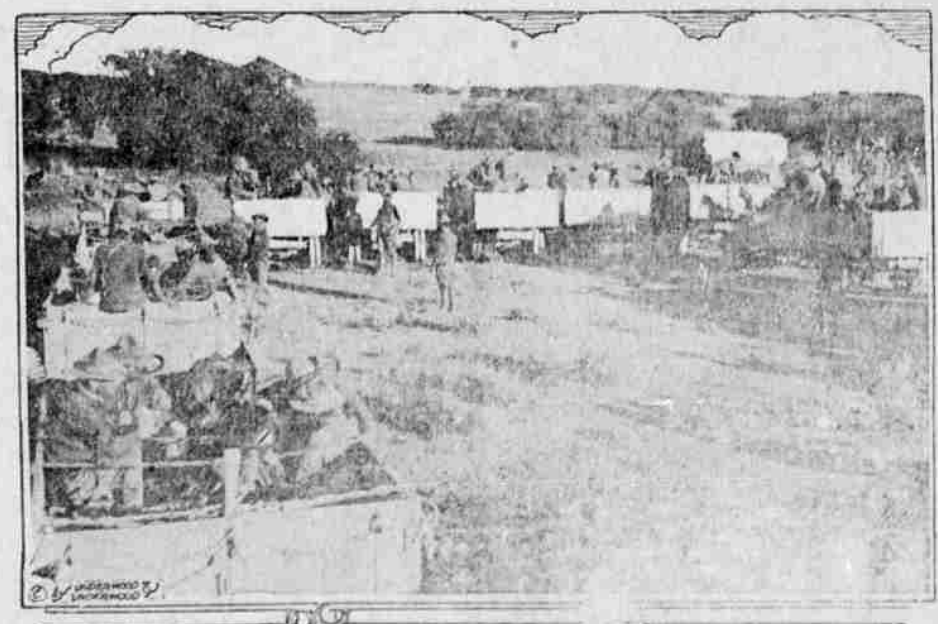
Additional assurances were given today by the United States public health service that every possible aid would be given the municipal authorities in carrying on their work. Six officers already have been assigned to the task of tracing germ carriers. Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo notified Mayor Mitchell today that after a conference with Secretary of Agriculture Houston the latter had agreed to do everything in his power to facilitate the entry into the country of shipments of monkeys from the Philippines islands which are urgently needed for research work in connection with infantile paralysis.

NEW BLOCKADE ORDER ISSUED

LONDON, July 8.—A royal order changing the rules of the blockade has been issued. This stipulates that ships must prove that their destinations are not hostile, and permits the British to hold all neutral ships until they can show proof. Neutral ships carrying contraband to an enemy port are liable to capture on their next voyage.

Harry Hildeburn, who has been spending several days at Portland and Salem returned to his home in this city this morning.

HOLLOW SQUARE OF PRAIRIE SCHOONERS PROTECTS U. S. TROOPS



Just as the travelers in "prairie schooners" did in '49, when the western frontier was a lawless place for a white man, the soldiers of Uncle Sam in Mexico take up a campaign to mean their death and the destruction of the supplies they are taking from the interior. The photo shows the automobile trucks that carry the soldiers to Pershing's camp, after having been arranged in a hollow square, so that the soldiers have a substantial protection from which to meet the enemy.