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AUTO ACCIDENT LAST EVENING

Mary Palm Struck by Auto Driven by B. Hoskins and Receives Painful Injuries.

DRIVER LOSES HEAD

Fine of $5.00 Was Remitted by the Recorder and Old Man Admonished to Be More Careful.

What came near resulting in a fatal accident last evening happened when B. Hoskins, an elderly man residing east of the city, struck Mary Palm, daughter of W. H. Palm, of this city, knocking her to the pavement. The little girl had the infant daughter of Mrs. E. E. Morgan in her arms, and clung tightly to the child, and in this way was wholly unable to protect herself, but manager to save the baby. The little one rolled over and over on the pavement, and was thought by the crowd to have been seriously hurt, but fortunately no injuries whatever were sustained. Others were struck but were uninjured.

The accident occurred at the street intersection of Cass and Sheridan and the auto driver was proceeding west on Cass, making the turn on Sheridan and going south.

This is a plain case of where a driver completely lost his head, for when questioned by Recorder Whipple, he stated that really when he saw the crowd he did not know what he was doing, that he knew he did not have his foot on the brake, but that he was sure he could not have been going more than eight miles an hour. Some who saw the accident, however, thought the car must have been going at a rate of thirty miles an hour.

As it was clear to the officers that the case was purely accidental, the fine of $5.00 imposed for speeding was remitted, and the old gentleman was admonished to be more careful in the future, which he promised to do. Mr. Hosmer agreed to pay all doctor bills caused by the injury, and to have the girl's coat, which was torn by the fall, repaired.

While Mary Palm was not seriously hurt, her injuries are nevertheless very painful, both limbs being badly bruised, the right one especially so, her ankle being so badly sprained that it is impossible to move the foot.

This accident should serve as a warning to drivers who are in the habit of rounding corners at a high rate of speed, and especially where there is a crowd as was the case in this accident.

ENTERTAINS FOR ROSEBURG GIRL

A dancing party and weinie roast was a happy diversion of Wednesday evening at Riddle, when Miss Ebbie Arzner entertained in honor of her Roseburg visitor, Miss Leah Sykes. The event was held in the Arzner dance pavilion adjoining their residence which was tastefully adorned for the occasion in deer heads. Dancing occupied several hours and at an appropriate moment wienies, buns and hot coffee were served. The enjoyable terpsichorean art was continued until the wee small hours when the delighted assemblage departed for their homes.

Miss Viola Willett returned home this morning from Portland where she has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Meagher. Mrs. Meagher was a former Roseburg girl and has a host of friends in this city.

EXEMPTION BOARD ORGANIZED TODAY

The members of the exemption board for selective draft, met and were sworn in today. The officers are: Sheriff George Quine, chairman; E. H. Lenox, secretary, and Dr. E. B. Stewart, medical adviser. Sheriff Quine says the board is getting ready for active work as fast as possible and expects the passing upon exemptions will begin in August, but that the drawing of names for the draft will likely take place in Washington, D. C.

Another meeting of the board will be held Monday morning.

BAND CONCERT TONIGHT.

The Roseburg boys' band will give a concert on the corner of Cass and Jackson streets tonight at 8 o'clock. A good program is promised. Come out and encourage the boys.

IS FINED FOR DRUNKENNESS

Guy Bond, a Sutherlin boy who was arrested last night by Marshal Williams and appeared before the city recorder this morning on a charge of drunkenness, was fined $10 which he paid.

He stated that he had never been arrested on any charge before, and promised the recorder that he would not repeat the offense.

Constable Church then took charge of the lad and an attempt will be made to find out where he secured the liquor.

COUNTY COURT RECEIVES LETTER

The State Highway Engineer Writes Telling of Allotments For Douglas County.

BONDS TO BE SOLD

Douglas County Delegation Secures Great Deal of Road Construction for This Section and Work Will Be Started Soon.

County Judge R. W. Marsters returned this morning from Portland and Salem where he attended meetings of the state highway commission in the former city. He stated this morning when interviewed that the results of the meetings were gratifying to the Douglas county delegation and the prospects for good roads in this county are exceedingly bright, several large allotments being made that offer encouragement in that line. Douglas county was well represented at the meeting, all of the county court being present. As stated previously in The News, Douglas county's bad spots will receive the first attention of the highway commission and immediate action will probably be taken.

That work will start in the near future was learned this morning when County Judge Marsters received a letter from Herbert Nunn, the state highway engineer. The letter follows:

County Court of Douglas County.

For your information wish to advise that the state highway commission at its meeting yesterday allotted for work in Douglas county the amount of $78,000 for this year and $25,000 for next year of the Bean-Barrett bonds, with a recommendation to the government that they appropriate a like amount for the two year period on the basis of a post road co-operative project, it being understood that the count of Douglas would set aside $200,000 of its bond money to match this appropriation, all of which will be under the direction of the state highway engineer. This money will be available just as soon as the bonds can be disposed of. Action looking toward this matter is now under way.

Two thousand dollars was also appropriated from the quarter mill tax and is now in the treasury and available at any time for the improvement of the road leading out of Roseburg to the Soldiers' Home, on condition that your county will take care of the balance of the amount needed for this improvement.

Respectfully,
HERBERT NUNN,
State Highway Engineer.

The foregoing letter shows conclusively the work accomplished by the Douglas county delegation and little fear is felt for the result of the good roads movement here.

T. O. Dixon was in the city today from his acme on the North Umpqua looking after business matters.

HELEN GUEST IS ELECTED LEADER

Voting Has Occupied Several Days and Result Was Learned Last Night.

GUARD MEETING HELD

Girls Will Probably Entertain Local Soldier Lads Before Their Departure For the Front.

At a special meeting of the Girls National Honor Guard last evening Miss Helen Guest, a popular member of the organization was elected local leader of the Roseburg girls. The voting has been occupying several days, but upon counting the ballots it was found that only one-third of the members had cast their votes. However, Miss Guest is universally popular, and her selection will be generally sanctioned. Miss Lucile French was second choice in the contest, showing her popularity among the girls.

Almost as important as the organization, almost as necessary as the unit members themselves, is a competent leader and in Miss Guest the girls have chosen a splendid president. There is no other young lady who possesses more exalted aims, unswerving loyalty, firmness, enthusiasm, or greater ability and the guard is sure to benefit by her leadership.

The Honor Guard girls failed to respond last evening to this important occasion, possibly through carelessness, possibly through misunderstanding, and although the young ladies who were present possess enthusiasm unequalled, there must be a co-operation from every individual member.

The time will come when the girls of Roseburg will be obliged to occupy important positions heretofore held by men—for our men will be off to the battlefront fighting for our honor and the Honor Guard will be asked to fill these positions. Is it possible that the girls will be slackers in times of need as they are now? Co-operation must prevail and something has to be done at once to gain this important factor. It is now up to the girls to boost for success among the ranks, to further the growth and development of the Honor Guard.

Great work is to be done—supporting the government in its crisis and when the call comes for the girls to fill the positions in every walk of life everything must be done to prepare for the call.

It is up to the members to keep their enthusiasm high and stand true to the motto "Our Trust We Guard."

Plans were discussed last evening for organizing a hiking and drilling corps in the guard and suitable costumes are to be manufactured for the occasions. A great deal of interest was displayed in this feature at that line. Douglas county was heretofore been uninterested will no doubt respond.

The Honor Guard girls feel it their solemn duty to entertain for the 4th company boys before their departure for the front and preparations will be made later for a dance.

Everything possible that can be done for arousing interest among the Honor Guard girls of Roseburg has been introduced and it is now time for some show of enthusiasm. It is up to every girl to help perfect the organization and make it worthy of its beautiful name "The Honor Guard of Oregon."

ROSEBURG COUPLE WERE THRICE MARRIED

The Portland Oregonian today contained the following humorous article dealing with Flo Hermann and Roy Kenny, who were recently married in Portland. It is of great interest to their many friends and relatives here:

"Three times during the past week did John Roy Kenny and Flora Hermann stand before a preacher and hear the words, 'I pronounce you man and wife,' uttered, before they felt certain in their own minds that they were really man and wife.

This unusual procedure likewise necessitated two marriage licenses and a lot of trouble before they finally embarked aboard the good ship Matrimony.

"On June 23 they took out a marriage license and arranged to get married. They wanted the ceremony performed first by a preacher of one denomination and then by one of another denomination. The first pronounced them man and wife, but the second minister refused to go through with a ceremony.

"Undaunted, the couple decided to retain the first marriage license as a memento of their unusual experience, so Thursday evening they wended their way back to the court house and secured a second license. They said they had finally made arrangements to have a double ceremony performed by virtue of the second license."

WILD ANIMAL SHOW WILL BE ATTRACTION

One of the attractions on the 4th of July will be a wild animal show in the building formerly occupied by the First National Bank. It will be open on the afternoon and evening of the 4th, and is under the management of the 4th company. The proceeds will go into the mess fund.

Among the animals exhibited will be the following: Porcupine, opossum, mountain beaver, musk rat, ground hog, badger, and a number of others.

The admission charges will be 10 cents for adults and 5 cents for children. Everybody should see it.

FRENCH CRUISER STRIKES A MINE

Thirty-eight Men Were Lost When Ship Sinks—Was Enroute to Brest.

OREGON ANSWERS CALL

U. S. Fleet Will Cooperate With Brazil Boats in Search for German Raiders and U-Boats.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, June 30.—The French armored cruiser, Kleber, struck a mine off the coast point of St. Mathieu Wednesday and was sunk. Three officers and thirty-five men were lost, according to the official announcement from the Paris office. The Kleber was enroute to Brest from Dakar, Africa.

The Kleber was built at Bordeaux in 1903 and cost $3,651,600 and was 435 feet in length. At the time it was launched it required a complement of 590 men to man it.

Fleet Will Cooperate.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Brazil's navy has started to co-operate with the American fleet in the South American water in the search for German raiders and are keeping a close watch for submarines. The United States government is considering sending a special diplomatic mission to Brazil to arrange greater co-operating forces that will tend to perfect better cooperation between the two governments.

Oregon Answers Call

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The call of President Wilson to bring the regular army to full war strength and his appeal for volunteers to order that the total of 200,000 may be reached by today has not been realized and the war strength still lacks 59,000. Nine states furnished their "recruiting week" quotas. Oregon, as usual was one of these. That state furnished 1260, and her quota was only set at 1244.

Nina Marshall will leave soon for Pocatello, Idaho, where she has accepted a position in a railway office. She has been employed at the offices of E. C. Behsen.

GERMAN TROOPS ARE ATTACKING VERDUN

ASSOCIATED PRESS WAR LEAD, June 30.—Picked German troops are attacking the Verdun region and Paris reports that they have captured the French first line over the entire front, but have been driven out except on the western slope of Dead Man's hill. The French almost annihilated the German's along the mile and three-quarter front and it is unknown whether the German assaults were more than demonstrations on a large scale. He drove prince also attacked unsuccessfully to the south of the city.

"On June 28 they took out a marriage license and arranged to get married. Germans continue to hold Lens, although the British in a flanking move reperated well to the south of the city.

BRITISH SOLDIER IS INTERVIEWED

Participated in Advances Over "No Man's Land" and Received Injuries.

WANTS TO GET BACK

Is Recovering From Wound to Leg and Will Return to First Line Trenches Soon to Assist in Defeating the Germans.

The horrors of trench warfare in Europe and the terrible destruction that is caused by the heavy guns in use by the armies in that country at the present time was told in a very vivid manner to a representative of The News in an interview with a British soldier recently. The British soldier was a private in the ranks and was in British Columbia visiting with relatives, having taken advantage of a sick leave, on account of an injury to his leg, received while fighting in the trenches. His name is Earl Gunford and has seen actual service for several months, being transferred at times to the positions behind the lines and then again advanced, where the fighting is thickest. He stated, upon being questioned, that the war spirit is surely contagious, and according to him, the British and French soldiers are extremely glad that the United States has caught it. He said that upon entering the trenches, many of the soldiers joke and state that they doubt if they will ever survive a week, but when the fighting is on in earnest, they become changed and the humorous side, as they before looked upon it, is changed and the grim thought that possesses each one is to "kill the Boches." He has witnessed the murder of his close friend, with whom he enlisted, and states that at the time he was killed, he was too busy shooting Germans, to give the affair more than passing attention, but after the firing had quieted down a bit, he turned to his friend only to find him dead.

"When I see these American lads in their unsoiled uniforms and bright faces," he said, "it grieves me to think what is in store for them and not until they have seen such service as I have and witnessed the murder of your best friends, will the true realization of the whole affair be brought home to them. They smile and are extremely happy now, probably they are not fully aware of the methods used for destruction in Europe, but I can assure you that after three weeks of trench life, they will have aged wonderfully. May God have pity upon them and spare their precious lives. You ask me if the British are aware of what they are fighting for? No, I think not, but I am sure that you do not allow such trifling questions to arise between you and your patriotism to your country. Neither do we and although the war has been disastrous for all concerned, no one seems to lose heart and the only end that can be in store is the destruction of kaiserdom."

He told of several advances in which he participated, over which a great deal of territory was captured, and a fortress taken. One of his trench-mates, as he called him, met his deadly gas, used by the Germans, for death purposes, and although he had not received a full "dose" of it, his face had become badly colored and was probably injured for the rest of his natural life. He stated that gas masks are worn a great deal, but once in a while the men neglect to wear them, and it is usually at that time that the attack is made.

The British soldier received the injury to his leg under shell fire, and it was thought for a time that it would be necessary to amputate it, but under the skillful care of the French surgeons, it was saved and he is recovering fast. As soon as he is fully recovered he will be required to return to England, where he will be placed for several months behind the lines, later being advanced to the front positions.

According to the lad, the British and French have a great respect for the United States and are looking forward to a crisis that will mark the end of imperialism.

He said in the course of the interview, that the big field artillery guns were very deadly and wrecked destruction upon all cities, towards which they are hung over the sides of the terrible noise and din that accompanies battles soon becomes no more than the noise of the average city to the soldiers and they soon become accustomed to it" he said.

His story was very interesting and, although he is seriously injured as he is, he is anxious to again return to the fighting front of Europe.

RUSSIAN ACTIVITY.

BERLIN, June 30.—The war office announces Russian activity in east Galicia which indicates that attacks are contemplated. There has been a strong Russian destructive fire maintained from the Lemberg-Brody railway to the south of Brzezany.

EQUIPMENT RACE IS BEING PLANNED

One of the interesting races on the 4th of July will be an equipment race. The conditions are as follows: O. D. uniform (with coat), lace shoes, rifle, belt, bayonet and cabbard. Each contestant will place his equipment in a straight line in front of him, with the various items separated by intervals of 5 yards, and in the following order: Shoes at scratch, leggins, coat (with pockets unbuttoned), hat, belt, scabbard, bayonet, rifle (with barrel to left), bolt. The finish will be 75 yards from the position of the rifle bolt. All contestants will start at the same time. Equipment may be put on any where between start and finish, the contestant must be fully and properly uniformed before he steps on the finish line, when he assumes the position of attention. Thereafter any movement of the hand or other part of the body to correct a fault before the judges pass on the contestants will disqualify.

LLOYD GEORGE SPEAKS TODAY

Said That Germany's Army is Being Driven to Underground Methods.

U. S. TROOPS GREETED

Monster Fighting Machine Launched When the Idaho Takes Water—Will Take More Than One Torpedo to Sink It.

(By Associated Press.)

DUNDEE, Scotland, June 30.—"We have driven Germany's great army to underground methods," said Premier Lloyd George in a speech here today. "When we have driven the great army to these tactics, it is the beginning of the end. It means that we are pounding the sense of inferiority into every pore of Germany's military mind, and is good for war but much better for after war. As long as the Prussians have that idea of superiority in their minds, Europe will not be a decent place to live in peace."

He also said that the Prussians have many virtues, but has never had any sense of humanity that is struggling.

Other Units Have Arrived.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Various units of the American expeditionary force having reached France safely, and the censor has released dispatches filed during the week, descriptive of arrival at different contingents. A dispatch from an unnamed French port filed Tuesday says the first contingent landed then and that the population of the whole district greeted them joyously. He stated that population, the transports steamed into the harbor is a long line and the crowds that had gathered to greet them shouted "Viva France" and "Viva United States." The lifeboats and rafts were hung over the sides of the transports while they were traversing the submarine zone, a dispatch Wednesday told of the arrival of the second contingent.

Ship is Launched.

CAMDEN, N. J., June 30.—Another monster fighting machine for the navy took water from the yards of the New York Ship Building Company when the superdreadnaught Idaho was launched. Henrietta Simmons, granddaughter of Governor Alexander, of Idaho, was the sponsor. Navy designers declare that it is impossible for a submarine to sink the new Idaho with one torpedo.

JUSTICE RIDDLE RECEIVES PETITION

Justice Riddle today received a petition containing a long list of names asking for the reduction of the fine of M. S. Thomas from $75 to $25. Thomas was arrested several days ago for having deer meat in his possession, and fined $75 and 60 days in jail, and paroled during good behavior.

The petition states that Mr. Thomas has a large family to support, and this is his first offense, but Justice Riddle says that so far he has been able to ascertain that only Thomas' wife and one child are dependent upon him, while Game Warden Orin Thompson says that though this is the first time he has been caught, that he has been informed on before.

Justice Riddle will investigate the case thoroughly before making a decision in the matter.

Justice Riddle at Myrtle Creek.

Justice I. B. Riddle went to Myrtle Creek yesterday where he argued before Justice of the Peace Martin in the case of E. S. Macy vs. Dr. V. L. Rutter and wife, in a motion to set aside judgment and cost of service of summons. C. L. Leavengood appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Riddle for the defendant. The case was taken under advisement.

MILITARY HIGHWAY WANTED BY LEAGUE

Warren Reed is Member of Association Which Advocates Preparedness.

OREGON NOT PROTECTED

Bill is Before Congress at Present Time Asking for Funds With Which to Construct Roads on Pacific Coast.

Warren Reed, of Reedsport and Gardiner district, is a member of the advisory board of Oregon for the Pacific Coast Defense League and at a meeting held in Portland of this organization it was decided to advocate airplane stations, submarine bases and a military highway from the British Columbia line to the Mexican border.

It was found that the cost of two battleships would build a substantial military road the entire stretch of the coast and would enable troops to be mobilized at any point in 70 hours. There are 14 places on the Oregon coast, out of 100 on the Pacific coast where an enemy could make a landing.

Roseburg is not represented on this board, but Mr. Reed can be considered a representative of this county and the interests of this section will probably be attended to, although it is thought that in case the military highway is constructed it will follow the coast entirely through Oregon.

Primarily the league, of which Mr. Reed is a member, wants a military highway, but it is also urging stations for air patrols, bases for submarines and everything else that is good for coast defense. The league before congress a bill authorizing the war department to make a survey for the road, and this bill has the backing of the legislatures of Washington, Oregon and California. No action is expected on this bill before the next session of congress, and there is little prospect of actual field work, under the most favorable conditions, within three years.

It is immaterial to the league what route the war department might select for the military road. If the Pacific highway is used the laterals would have to be built out to coast points, such as from Roseburg to Marshfield. A coastal road could be built almost the entire stretch of the coast a mile or two back from the shore line. A military road would have to be of the strongest construction to stand the traffic of heavy motor trucks, field guns of the largest calibre, "tanks" and the like. A rough estimate is that such a road can be built for $40,000,000 which is approximately the cost of two battleships of the first class.

NATIONAL GUARDS FOR FRENCH SERVICE

Announcement yesterday to the effect that when the national guard is mobilized it will be sent at once to the divisional training camp dates in merely another step towards fitting these troops for overseas service. It is probable that the local boys will be placed at Fort Stevens, for a very short time and then transferred to a larger camp to receive training for actual service.