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BIG GERMAN GUNS ARE ROARING TODAY

Artillery Fire Along a One Hundred Mile Front of the Battle Line.

MAY BE BIG SURPRISE

All London Aflame Today Over Report that an Airplane Had Made a No-Stop Flight From New York to England.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 9.—All London is today talking about the latest war rumor, it having been declared that an American airplane carrying twelve passengers, had landed in England yesterday afternoon or some time during last night in a non-stop flight from New York. The authorities declare that there is no foundation for the story. However, according to popular opinion and the version of many people here this was probably the "big surprise" Lloyd George said the Americans were soon to give the Germans.

GUNS ROARING TODAY

Associated Press War Lead, April 9.—Evidently preparing for another heavy infantry attack the German guns are today roaring along a front of over 100 miles, taking in the area from the north of Arras to the north of Soissons. It is the general opinion that this outbreak from the enemy is probably a forerunner of attacks to be launched all along the line. A London dispatch this morning also states that the German artillery has developed great activity today from Labasse canal to south of Arras, while information coming from Paris is to the effect that there was violent artillery fire during last night at various points north of Montdidier and between Montdidier and Noyon. So far there has been no infantry engagements reported during last night or this morning. The French have advanced their troops south of the Oise river but later withdrew them to prepared positions southwest of the lower forest near Concy and south of Concy and Chateau.

In a certain sector being held by the American forces at Lorraine the outposts attacked a German patrol, killing one of them and dragged his body across No Man's Land to their own trenches for the purpose of identification. There were no American casualties.

GERMANS HAD GREAT NUMBERS

LONDON, April 9.—Lloyd George told the commons today that when the big drive was launched by the Germans the enemy had a total combat strength on the western front equal to approximately the entire total of the men under arms of the allied nations, and followed this declaration by saying that his man power proposal would involve extra sacrifices by a portion of the English population, this being the most crucial period in the history of the war.

Speaking further the premier said that an emergency arose making it necessary to put men of 50 and boys of 18 into the fight for liberty it was not possible to exclude Ireland from conscription. Following this declaration from Lloyd George general uproar occurred when the Irish members of the commons shouted, "You come across and take us."

BAD WEATHER ON FRONT

Associated Press War Lead, April 9.—The Germans have encountered bad weather for their threatened big attack and so far no infantry action has developed, though violent artillery fire continues today. The French troops withdrew south of the Oise river to make the line development conform to the Ailette river valley, and during this operation on the part of the French the enemy attempted to make advances and suffered heavy losses to their forces.

TAPPING THE LINES

El Paso, Texas, April 9.—Telephone connections between the American and Mexican border towns have been suspended during the period of the war, due to the activity of the Germans, the enemy's agents in Mexico using this method of securing information from the various sources in the United States.

MAY DECLARE WAR ON JAPAN

Moscow, April 9.—Lenine, the Russian leader, declared today that possibly Russia would have to declare war on Japan, in connection

GIVES \$7,500 TO COUNTY

The liberty loan committee chairman today received a telegram from the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company, of Tacoma, subscribing the sum of \$7,500 for Douglas county. This sum will be apportioned to the different districts of the county, and is duly appreciated.

with the landing of Japanese troops at Vladivostok, which has caused considerable agitation among his people.

Oregon Wheat Condition.

PORTLAND, April 9.—The condition of winter wheat in Oregon is 97 per cent normal, with barley at 100 per cent, according to an announcement made here today. The estimated winter wheat crop will be 13,000,000 bushels; rye 615,000 bushels. These estimates show the product to be far above the figures of last year for both wheat and barley.

Unduly Discriminatory

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Transportation rates on lumber from the Willamette valley to points in Montana, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Michigan and Canadian provinces were found to be "unduly discriminatory" in a report filed today by the interstate commerce examiner.

Wants a Big Subscription

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The treasury department asks the country to subscribe three or four times the amount of the liberty loan asked from the nation and furnish twenty million subscribers, or double the number who subscribed to the last loan.

Important Revelations

PARIS, April 9.—Bolo Pasha, who was recently convicted of treason and sentenced to death, has made revelations of the highest importance and another important case in connection with German propaganda is about to be brought into the line of light.

Another Flyer Killed

DALLAS, Texas, April 9.—Cadet John Insinger, of Colorado, was killed in the aviation camp today when two machines collided five hundred feet in the air.

Some Towns Go Dry

LOS ANGELES, April 9.—Several southern California towns have voted dry, among which is included Needles and Watts, while Venice remains wet.

WHEAT CROPS ABOVE NORMAL THIS YEAR

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The condition of the winter wheat crop in the United States, April 1, was 78.6 per cent of normal against 64.46 per cent on April 1, 1917, 78.3 April 1, 1916, and 83.6, the average condition for the past ten years on April 1, the agricultural department reported today.

This condition forecasts a production of 650,000,000 bushels against 418,070,000 bushels estimated production in 1917 and 480,553,000 in 1916.

The condition of the rye crop April 1 was reported at 85.8 per cent of normal, against 86.0 April 1, 1917; 87.8 April 1, 1916, and 89, the average on April 1, for the past ten years.

The condition of rye crop forecasts a total production of 86,000,000 bushels against 69,145,000 estimated for 1917, and 48,822,000 for 1916.

The decrease in condition of wheat crop from December 1, 1917, to April 1, 1918, amounted to 0.7 points against an average decline in the past ten years of 5.7 points between these dates.

SAYS HE IS GLAD AMERICA IS WEAK

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, April 9.—George Creel, official newspaper publicity censor and editor of the official bulletin issued by the department at Washington, as well as chairman of the committee on public information, was severely attacked in both houses of congress today for the speech he delivered yesterday where it was stated he made the assertion that he "was glad this country was unprepared to meet the enemy."

Representative Longworth, in a scathing speech demanded Creel's immediate resignation, saying that "no flagrant pacifist ever went half so far as Creel had in his declaration."

This is the first time that I have ever heard an American citizen glorying in the unpreparedness of the nation," remarked the congressman as he took his seat.

ROSEBURG GUARD TO MERGE INTO MILITIA

The Company Voted Favorably Upon Proposition at Meeting Last Night.

ENLIST FOR TWO YEARS

Men Will Be Under Military Authority and Subject to Call of the Governor—Commissions Issue to Officers.

That the Roseburg home guards will very soon become a unit in the Oregon state militia is an assured fact. At the drill meeting last night the question of asking admission to the militia came up and was put to a vote, resulting in a unanimous decision for asking admittance. This means that the men enlist for a two year period, and as a unit of the state militia will be subject to call of the governor at any time the executive may deem the necessity imperative. The induction of the home guard into the militia was made possible under a recent order of the adjutant general's office. It appears that the subject of reorganization of the state militia had been under advisement by the authorities, and the proposition found favor.

At the time war was declared against Germany, the militia companies of the state without exception were merged into the national army. Within a few months the home guards have sprung up in all cities and towns, and these companies have to some extent taken the place of the militia. Believing that better service could be obtained by merging the local guard into the militia, the matter was brought up at last night's meeting and favorably received by the company. Induction into the militia must be done through the county judge. The men will volunteer in a body to the county judge, who in turn will notify the governor, and enlistment papers covering two years' service will then be signed. Judge Marsters, who is now in Portland, has been wired by Captain Rafferty of the action taken by the Roseburg guard last night, and the machinery already in motion is that will create a militia company here.

In circular No. 3, issued from the adjutant general's office on March 23 instructions were issued as follows concerning organization of militia companies in the state:

"After full consideration of all questions involved in organizing for home defense, the commander-in-chief has deemed it advisable to authorize the formation of an indefinite number of militia companies from the present home guard forces; sheriff (if's deputies) and to form new companies of state militia at such points as men are available and the situation warrants. The governor is in full sympathy with the citizens of the state who are desirous of organizing such companies and is greatly gratified at the enthusiasm shown by these patriotic citizens.

"Upon a receipt at these headquarters of a request for the organization of military companies either from new organizations or the organizations now known as sheriff's deputies, an order will be issued by the governor to the county judge of the county reciting the fact that there is imminent danger of breaches of the peace and obstruction to the laws and authorizing the county judge to enroll a certain number of the unorganized militia or to accept volunteers, and authorizing him to accept as volunteers the organization applying for military status. These men will then volunteer in a body to the county judge who will make his return on the warrant to the governor through these headquarters of that fact. The men will then be mustered into the service and enlistment papers signed for two years' service. They will then be recognized by officers from the adjutant general's office, and commissions issued to the officers thereof who will then have military control over the men.

"The services required by the statute is for two years, but it will be understood that all of the militia companies thus taken into the service of the state will necessarily be mustered out at the conclusion of peace at the end of the present war.

"Under the present appropriation for military expenses, it will be impossible to equip the home guards with uniforms or equipment other than rifles and ammunition.

"All organizations desiring to be admitted to the status of militia will prepare and forward requests as herein noted, stating number in company."

Mrs. Hattie A. Lane, widow of the late Col. John Lane, a former Douglas county pioneer, arrived from Portland, yesterday, and is visiting at the home of Simon Lane, and also at the homes of other relatives in this city.

GO OVER THE TOP

Information received from Riddle and Yoncalla today is to the effect that both of these live little cities have gone over the top in their quota toward the third liberty loan. Riddle's quota was \$6,450, and the patriotic citizens raised \$6,550, while Yoncalla's was \$6,135 and late returns from there place the amount now raised at \$7,300, which is certainly a very flattering showing. Both of these amounts will be increased approximately \$1,000 each when the county's quota is apportioned to them, as all the money received by the county chairman for bonds purchased by outside corporations or companies will be distributed among the various communities in the county, giving them all an equal proportion according to the amount to be raised in each city.

SECTION CRATER LAKE CUT OFF KNOCKED OUT

The suit instituted by Jennie Lewis, R. W. and W. P. Thomason, and Mrs. Mary Furlong, protesting against the establishment of a portion of the Crater Lake cut off highway, was sustained by Judge Hamilton in a decision for the plaintiffs, yesterday. It appears that following a survey and report on that portion of the Crater Lake highway involved in the action, the county court, in an order issued November 8, 1917, authorized the construction of that portion of the road which is alleged to have passed through the Thomason properties, and if completed would have resulted in material damage to them, so it was set out. The road under consideration is a part of the highway in district No. 69, and is located between Tiller and Drew. In laying out this portion of the Crater Lake highway cut off it was with the idea of making a better grade, according to the officials. The plaintiffs, through their attorney, B. L. Eddy, alleged material damage and oppose the order in so far as it concerned their holdings, and the court upheld their contention, giving them a verdict with costs and disbursements.

W. H. GORE CANDIDATE JOINT REPRESENTATIVE

Information was received in this city today from Medford to the effect that W. H. Gore, of that city, would become a candidate for nomination at the April primaries for joint representative of Douglas and Jackson counties. Gore served in the last legislature in this capacity and proved to his constituents that he was



W. H. GORE, OF MEDFORD Candidate for Joint Representative for Douglas and Jackson Counties.

fully able to cope with all important matters coming before that body, is a faithful and energetic worker and a person in whom the people may depend upon to encourage just and equitable legislation, playing no favorites, but working for the good of all the people of the state and especially for those particular communities he represents. He is a valuable man to southern Oregon interests and no one having been mentioned to date for this office there is little likelihood that he will have any opposition. The gentleman has many loyal friends in this county who will be pleased to note his decision to become a candidate.

PHYSICIAN CALLED TO COLORS

Dr. A. J. Fawcett, prominent Riddle physician and surgeon has received notice to report at an army camp within ten days and expects to be assigned to duty at Camp Lewis.

POINTERS IN SILOS GIVEN TO FARMERS

Good Ensilage Is Next Thing to Green Grass as Feed For Cattle.

HOW TO PROVIDE FOR IT

High Cost of All Sorts of Feed Makes It Imperative for Ranchers and Dairyman to Save Money by This Process of Storing.

Prof. Pitts, of the O. A. C. extension service, talked to a few dairymen at the city hall this afternoon and took for his subject the type of dairy cow that brings best results, the selection of a sire for the herd, and the feeding problem. While only a few were present to hear this very helpful talk, those who were there certainly appreciated the suggestions offered. It was clearly shown that in order to get good milk stock it is positively necessary to pay proper attention to breeding. A sire that has no record back of him is worthless, because he will not produce milk giving qualities in his heirs. It is a scientific fact that like begets like, so the speaker stated, and therefore it will be necessary for dairymen who breed for milk production to head their herds with a sire that comes from a producing family. Even then, sometimes, a bull will be found, that although his breeding is excellent, and for generations there has been no failures in his lineage, yet the fault lies in the fact that somewhere in the remote past his ancestry was undesirable. A bull that has been tested out and proved his worth is the animal to tie to, and his calves will invariably prove good ones.

The feeding problem these war times is more than ever a question that is perplexing careful farmers, said the speaker. High prices of every sort of feed, the probabilities that these commodities will go higher, makes it mighty hard for the dairymen to break even. This being the fact, Prof. Pitts emphasized the necessity for silos. Ensilage comes nearest to green feed of anything that is known. The fact that green grass comes in the spring is an indication that there is nothing known to take its place. The silo and silage is next to green grass. Cost of building the silo of course often decides against it. Where it is possible, Prof. Pitts said, he thought the concrete reinforced silo or one made of concrete blocks, the best, because they will last forever, when properly constructed. For a cheap silo he recommended the type known as the Wisconsin, or another type commonly used in the state of Washington known as the wooden hoop silo. Either of these silos is cheaply built without expert help, and will last for many years. The wooden hoop type is probably the cheapest and any farmer can make it himself, and the material can be had at any mill which is equipped with a planing machine.

C. J. Hurd, county agent, will be glad to supply any dairymen or stockman with full description of these silos, or bulletins can be had from the college extension service.

NEW IDEA CLUB HOP TOMORROW EVENING

Tickets are being sold today by the Honor Guard girls for the New Idea club dance which will be given tomorrow evening at the armory and which promises to be one of the most unique and pleasurable events of the season. The affair is to be a "country dance" and all who wish are requested to wear old clothes the men overalls and the women aprons or other old apparel. Men in dress suits or women in evening gowns will not be admitted to the hall. A Virginia reel and quadrille are to be special dance features and no doubt a great deal of fun will be derived from this innovation by way of variety. Dancing starts promptly at nine o'clock and those who haven't tickets are asked to buy them from the girls about the streets in order to find a nook in the armory which in all probability will be filled to overflowing.

ATTENTION HONOR GUARD

All members of the Girls National Honor Guard are requested to be present this evening and participate in the military drill, Belgian sewing and other features. Drill will be a special phase of the Honor Guard work hereafter and it is thought that a large number of those who have not been attending will be interested to know that the popular drill work is to begin again.

LIBERTY DRIVE CONTINUES

The liberty loan drive continued today, with better weather conditions than were enjoyed yesterday. Teams hauling country districts to canvases were out early and got a good start for their destinations. Reports of excellent success were had from all over the county, and that Douglas county will go well over the top before Saturday is the universal prediction.

PASSES THROUGH CITY

Morris Bocock, of Grants Pass, who has been attending the University of Oregon, and who recently enlisted in the marine corps from the Eugene district, passed through Roseburg today enroute to Portland where he will receive his assignment to some naval base for active duty. Mr. Bocock was greeted at the train by friends who extended best wishes to him for good luck.

EFFORTS APPRECIATED

The girls of the Roseburg Honor Guard wish to extend their many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cook who so patriotically gave the proceeds of the dance last Saturday evening to the guard. About \$16 was realized from this dance and was turned over to the treasurer this afternoon. The girls of the guard appreciate it in the highest manner, and it is assured that it will be used to the best advantage for our enlisted boys.

E. KROPPE OF EUGENE CITY COUNCIL RESIGNS

EUGENE, Or., April 8.—E. Koppe, a naturalized German, asserting his loyalty to the United States government tonight tendered his resignation as a member of the Eugene city council as a result of what he referred to as persistent rumors regarding his patriotism.

Mr. Koppe's resignation is the culmination of a quiet movement to secure his removal from the office because of his attitude toward the government and the war. Recently a committee of citizens waited on Mayor C. O. Peterson, requesting that Mr. Koppe's resignation be demanded.

OREGON TEACHERS TO SWEAR ALLEGIANCE

SALEM, Or., April 8.—Six thousand Oregon school teachers will be required to take the oath of allegiance when they enter into new contracts to teach in this state. This was the announcement of State Superintendent Churchill today. He said a new form of contract is being prepared which includes the oath of allegiance and which must be entered into before a teacher may secure a position in the state.

SOCIAL EVIL AMONG SOLDIERS CAUSE ALARM

(By Associated Press.) SALEM, Or., April 9.—Acting upon the request of the health department of the United States army the state emergency board immediately authorized the creation today of a deficiency of \$15,000, to be placed in the hands of the state board of health to provide for a strict quarantine at the central station in Portland of all women in the state who are found to be afflicted with any disease connected with the social evil. These steps have been taken to improve the social conditions in all towns where soldiers are stationed. There seems to be a practice prevalent among many women of the state afflicted with venereal diseases to infect the communities wherever soldiers are stationed in large numbers, with the result that it has become a discouraging factor for army officials to contend with. In order that this great nuisance may be eliminated and that our soldiers' health may not become impaired by coming in contact with the dangerous disease being spread broadcast throughout the army, thereby impairing the efficiency of its men to a great degree, the above action has been taken upon the request of the department in reference to the women of the state who are infected with any disease of a social nature.

LEGAL BOARD WILL ADVISE CLAIMANTS

Beneficiaries of War Risk Insurance Should Not Employ Special Council.

FREE ADVICE IS OFFERED

American Bar Association Takes Up Important Matter with Chairman of Local Boards—Unpatriotic Lawyers Will Be Reported.

It having become known that unscrupulous attorneys throughout the United States have conceived the idea of making a speck from beneficiaries of soldiers and sailors, the American Bar Association, through Mr. John Lowell, chairman of the special committee for war service, is sending out a warning against shyster lawyers and their tactics. This warning is addressed to chairmen of the local legal advisory boards in all the counties in the United States, and calls attention to the fact that in many places unpatriotic lawyers are notifying beneficiaries, who have occasion to make claims under the war risk insurance act, that they must employ counsel in order to make sure of obtaining payments from the government. In many instances, Mr. Lowell alleges, beneficiaries have been induced to advance substantial sums as retainers in return for the promise of a service which will be unnecessary. These activities are in direct violation of the spirit of the war risk insurance act, are reprehensible and unpatriotic, and must be promptly checked, and the bar association has undertaken to stop the practice. The public must be warned of these attempts to bleed unsuspecting persons for a fee in connection with alleged collection of war risk claims, so the matter has been referred to local chairmen of legal advisory boards, who are in a position to squelch practices of this sort. These chairmen are requested to give the problem as wide publicity as possible, so that no beneficiary in any community will have occasion to place his claims in the hands of any lawyer asking a fee for such service, because the legal advisory boards will give all such cases continuous and gratuitous service. Names of attorneys violating the spirit of the war risk insurance act will be sent to the American Bar Association.

A recent letter from Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo expresses the appreciation of the department to patriotic lawyers of the country in this wise: "The suggestion of the American Bar Association that the patriotic lawyers of the country advise claimants free of charge of their rights under the law, is deeply appreciated by the treasury department, and affords a splendid opportunity for service to the nation, and to the men who are facing the fire of battle for us."

Attorney I. B. Riddle, chairman of the local legal advisory board, is responding to this matter, and attorneys in Roseburg will co-operate with him in continuing to give men going into the service and their dependents any needed legal assistance.

OREGON HEADS COAST BOND SALES, 22 FLAGS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—Additional reports from the seven states comprising the 12th federal reserve district early today placed the section's contributions to the third liberty loan at about \$95,000,000 with the sales campaign not well started. The district's full quota is \$210,000,000.

Twenty-eight honor flags have been awarded to the cities and counties for attaining their full quotas. Of these, Oregon carried away 22.

Sixty other counties and cities have applied for honor flags. Nader county, California, was the first county to complete its quota. Mosier, Ore., was the first town to report its full allotment subscribed. Both of those subscribed their full quotas before the loan drive opened at 5 o'clock Saturday.

HUGH FREEMAN JOINS ARMY

J. Hugh Freeman, a former Roseburg high school student and son of Mrs. J. O. Freeman of this city, enlisted recently in the engineering corps and is now stationed at Vancouver barracks where he will be in training for the next few weeks. The many friends of the young man in Roseburg will be pleased to learn of this patriotic move on his part and the best of wishes for good luck are extended him.