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# THE EVENING NEWS

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## THE WEATHER

Tonight and Tuesday: Fair.  
Highest temp. yesterday.....72  
Lowest temp. last night.....52

### GERMAN PEACE NOTE DENIES BARBARISM

Creates a Halo of Righteousness Around All Acts of Navy and Army.

### IGNORES DEMAND MADE

Alleges That Torpedoing of Passenger Ships Has Been Ordered Stopped—Wants Commission to Decide Issues.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Oct. 21.—The German reply to President Wilson's last note has been received. According to the text of the note, Germany has ordered her submarine commanders to cease torpedoing passenger ships, and denies that either the army or submarines have committed any illegal or inhuman acts. Germany also hopes that the United States will approve of no demand irreconcilable with the honor of the German people, and with the opening of the way to a peace of justice.

The German peace note solemnly protests against the executive's reference to illegal and inhuman acts of the German army and submarines, and explicitly that the Kaiser's navy purposely destroyed life boats with passengers. The imperial government proposes that all these alleged acts of barbarity be cleared up by a neutral commission, intimating that it will be easily shown that sinking of life boats and torpedoing of passenger ships were merely little incidents in connection with the policy of exterminating her enemies and were perfectly legitimate and done in a righteous cause. Germany also suggests to President Wilson that opportunity be brought about for arranging the details regarding evacuation of occupied territories. The note says that Germany has dispatched orders to Teuton submarine commanders precluding the torpedoing of passenger ships, and announces the change on the German constitution providing that the people shall have a say in decision concerning peace or war.

The German note claims that international sanctions destruction of property during retreats, and alleged that her troops are under strict orders to spare private property and care for the population to the very best of their ability. Where transgressions of this order occur the guilty soldiers are being punished. The note further states that no future German government will be able to take hold of public affairs unless it possesses the confidence of a majority of reichstag. Germany agrees that the conditions of an armistice should be left to the military advisors and actual standard of power on both sides of the field which must form the basis of agreement.

PEACE NOTE IS ANSWERED.  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Germany's reply to Wilson's peace terms is regarded here as an awkward attempt to accept the president's terms for the armistice. It is believed that the wireless version is somewhat garbled, and therefore the official text is awaited.

The general impression seems to be that the German reply does not close the door to further exchanges. Denials of travel have been committed as immaterial, the important thing being that now, apparently, atrocities have been ordered stopped. The question of negotiations for permanent peace is quite aside from conditions of hostilities under the conditions imposed by the allied commander in the field. Before entering into such negotiations the allies must be satisfied that the German war lords are powerless to regain control, if now it is shown that they are actually out of control.

NO MORE NONSENSE.  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Senator Poindexter of Washington, today introduced a joint resolution proposing that congress forbid any further negotiations with Germany until the German military forces unconditionally surrender to the allies.

INDEPENDENCE IN HUNGARY.  
AMSTERDAM, Oct. 21.—Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary will shortly issue a manifesto to the Hungarian people, announcing their independence of Austria, according to a Budapest correspondence.

ANGLO-AMERICAN DRIVE.  
WITH THE ANGLO-AMERICAN FORCES, Oct. 21.—East of Lecateau United States troops fighting beside the British have advanced 13 miles in the last six days and have won great praise from General Haig, commanding the British forces. Yesterday the British took over 3000 prisoners and crossed the Selle river on a wide front.

LUST FOR AMERICAN BLOOD.  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—General Pershing reports that the Germans

are drawing heavily upon other parts of the Western front for reinforcements to check the United States troops north of Verdun. Germans taken prisoners state that their troops intend to dispute every foot of ground over which the Americans are advancing west of the Meuse river, and will inflict the heaviest possible punishment on them.

NEARING GHENT.  
LONDON, Oct. 21.—The allied troops were within ten miles of Ghent at dark last night. In the region of Valenciennes the British have approached very close to St. Amand, six miles northwest from Valenciennes. North of Tournai Haig's men are pushing forward to the banks of the Scheldt river.

GERMANS SCUTTLE SHIP.  
WITH THE ALLIES IN BELGIUM, Oct. 21.—Before evacuating the Germans scuttled a large mail boat along the old British war ship Vindictive, which was sunk in the channel last May, thus making doubly sure that the channel will be blocked for a long time.

DON'T LIKE SWITZERLAND.  
GENEVA, Oct. 21.—Lieutenant Duncan, an American aviator interned in Switzerland, and trying of inactivity, made a bold but futile attempt to escape from the country last Wednesday. Making a rope of the bed clothes, Duncan tried to gain the ground on the outside of the barracks by sliding from an upper window. The rope broke, and Duncan sustained serious injuries in the fall. He did not give up his determination to get back to the American lines, but unable to make much headway owing to his injuries, was captured some hours later.

BONDS OVERSUBSCRIBED.  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—It is estimated that 25,000,000 individuals have subscribed to the Fourth Liberty Loan, and that the oversubscription will total several hundred million.

### CHARLES HOFMAN ACCIDENTALLY KILLS SELF

Emile Charles Hofman who has been employed at the Oregon Lumber Quarry, accidentally shot and killed himself with a .22 rifle late Saturday evening while cleaning his gun. It had been Mr. Hofman's custom to clean his gun with a cord and small piece of lead. These articles were found on the table which stood near the place where he fell. The shot entered the forehead and penetrated the brain, and before medical aid could be summoned death resulted. The deceased would have been thirty-four years of age the following day. This young man leaves his parents, a brother Fred, a sister Bertha Simmons of Astoria, and his wife Mrs. Nora Hofman, to mourn his death. The services were held today at the Roseburg Undertaking Parlor with Rev. J. C. Spencer of the M. E. Church officiating. Interment will be at Brookway.

At the coroner's inquest held this morning, seven witnesses were called, and all evidence given resulted in a verdict that the death was accidental.

### "FLU" MENACE CLOSES ALL POOL HALLS

Dr. A. C. Seely, state health officer, visited this city yesterday and looked into the influenza situation and discovered that the local health officials were carrying out the isolation and quarantine instructions carefully. After conferring with Dr. K. Miller, county health officer, he made several suggestions as to a more strict quarantine, requesting the closing of pool halls and gatherings of every nature, as well as forbidding public funerals either in Roseburg or in the county adjacent. He instructed the county health officer to watch the situation carefully in the outlying districts and wishes him to instruct the various physicians throughout the county to report daily their cases and to close schools and all public gatherings should the disease make its appearance.

Yoncalla is the only town in the county that is free from influenza according to word received from Dr. F. P. Adams by Dr. Miller today. The county health officer was instructed to wire daily the situation in Roseburg and Douglas county. He reports the situation in Roseburg today slightly improved with a smaller percent of new cases and all patients getting along nicely.

Olalia, Ten Mile, Looking Glass, Deer Creek, Wilbur and Winchester, and all nearby districts are ordered by the state health officer through the county health officer to close the schools in their respective districts at the first outbreak of the disease and to keep them closed until all signs of the disease has vanished. Physicians and citizens are urged to co-operate earnestly with the officials in the future and to do everything in their power to assist in stamping out the epidemic which at the present time is vastly serious.

### RICH GERMAN FACES DISLOYAL CHARGES

Henry Albers, Head of Big Milling Concern at Portland, Arrested.

### TO HELL WITH AMERICA

Confidentially Averages That the Kaiser Cannot be Licked—Not by Yank, Anyway—Language Too Obscene for Publication

PORTLAND, Oct. 21.—Special to the Evening News. Henry Albers, part owner of the Albers Bros. Flour Mills in this city, and reputed to be worth more than a million dollars, a native of Germany, was arrested at noon today on a charge of violating the espionage act.

The arrest of Albers has been pending since October 8, at which time Deputy U. S. Marshal Frank Tichenor was enroute north from Grants Pass to Roseburg on S. P. train No. 54. Albers, unknown to Marshal Tichenor, was on that train, and his attention was attracted to the German who remarked to a friend as the officer passed down the aisle to the door of the coach, "Yes, I know the fellow." Tichenor inquired of the train men who the German was, and when told that he was one of the Albers, took occasion to follow up the lead. Albers, it seems, knew that Tichenor was a federal officer, and when approached by the marshal and spoken to talked freely in the presence of several witnesses. According to the statement made by Albers he had been to San Francisco and was on his way home. He had a bottle of liquor, from which he drank, and offered to his friends. He was particularly outspoken in his laudatory remarks concerning Germany, and some of the language used in expressing his contempt for the United States and things American was too vile and obscene for publication.

Referring to the part the United States is playing in the world war, Albers alleged that the allies would "never lick the Kaiser, never in one thousand years. I am a German," he boasted, "and do not deny it. Once a German, always a German. Why should this government (the United States) presume to tell me what to do?"

Reiterating his statement that a person "once a German always a German," Albers jeeringly remarked, "and never to be beaten by a Yank. There will be a revolution here in ten years; yes, in two years, maybe tomorrow. I served 25 years under the Kaiser and then I came to this country. S—, s—, McAdoo is a—, I would like to go back to Germany tomorrow. I am a German at heart. To hell with America. My brothers are pro-Hun also."

The above choice bit of information concerning his attitude toward the government and country was voluntarily offered by Henry Albers to several men on train No. 54 on the morning of Oct. 8. This, too, in the face of the fact that the Albers Milling Co., of which Albers is the acknowledged head, has made its millions in America, where Albers Bros. came to better their condition and presumably to get away from the grasp of militarism.

These few sentences expressive of this particular German's opinion of America and its people were taken by Marshal Tichenor, who later presented the facts to the federal court at Portland, substantiating the charge with affidavits of several responsible parties, and the arrest of Albers today was the end of the first act in this drama.

Following his arrest Albers alleged that he had no recollection of the train episode and claims that he is loyal to America.

### RICH SLACKER OUT ON \$10,000 BONDS TODAY

According to advices from Portland this afternoon, Millionaire Slacker Block, arrested near Canyonville a few days ago, and taken to Portland where he had a hearing before the federal court today, was released on \$10,000 bonds, and immediately left for the east. Attorney Elbert Herman, of this city, represented Block, and went to Portland late last week to take care of his client's interests. Block was accompanied east by his wife.

WANTED—Retoucher at C. W. Clark Photo Studio, 125 Cass st.

### DOUGLAS OFFICERS RIGHT ON THE JOB

Salem Correspondent Fails to Credit Sheriffs Office in Roseburg.

### HELD OFFENDERS HERE

Federal Officers Merely Took the Law Violators From the Jail in Roseburg and Removed Them to Portland.

That Deputy U. S. Marshal Frank Tichenor must have created a sensation in the capital city when he arrived there Friday with his eight prisoners, who were mostly turned over to him by the officers of Douglas county, is indicated in a graphic description of the wonderful haul that has been made by the federal officer, and also in the fact that a few hundred dollars worth of liquor had increased to \$4,000 worth of booze by the time it reached Portland, published in the Portland Telegram under a Salem date of Oct. 19.

William H. Block, the millionaire slacker arrested by Deputy Sheriff Hopkins at Canyonville, was credited by the Salem correspondent to the alertness of Marshal Tichenor, as also were a number of other prisoners arrested by local officers in this county. The story describes in detail how Mr. Tichenor picked up Block and also Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, the latter having a lot of choice whiskey in their car. For pure "bunk" and utter disregard of facts in the matter, this Salem correspondent of the Portland Telegram is full two lengths ahead of all competitors. United States Marshal Tichenor had the men in charge. It is quite true, but Block, the Lewises, and other violators of the law, were largely captured by the sheriff's force in Douglas county, and Mr. Tichenor merely came down and took the offenders off the hands of local authorities and removed them to Portland, where federal charges are booked against them. The News does not believe that Frank Tichenor ever told the Salem correspondent that he captured the aggregation of prisoners in his charge, but the presence of an assortment of liquor in the car must have had a very lamentable effect upon the mind of the Telegram correspondent or else the twistedness of the statement would have not been so noticeable. Douglas county officers have captured a lot of bootleggers lately as well as few slackers. The good work is still going on, and since the discovery was made that state guards in the Skikwyms were allowing whiskey-loaded autos to "get by" Sheriff Quine and his deputies have been on the job night and day, stopping a lot of the traffic and traffickers, including one man who is still nursing a bullet wound that he received when he failed to heed Deputy Hopkins' order to "heave to" for search purposes.

### J. EARLE FICKEL IS A VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA

J. Earle Fickel, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Fickel, of this city, died at the North Bend hospital, North Bend, Oregon, at six o'clock Saturday evening from bronchial pneumonia.

News of the death reached here Sunday morning, and the many friends of the family were shocked to learn of the sad event.

The deceased was a native of Douglas county, and was 32 years one month and fifteen days old, his birthplace being Oakland, he having lived all his life in the southern part of the state, and was educated in the public schools here. About five years ago he took a position with Warren Rees, of Reedsport, and since that time became the confidential clerk in the management of the varied industries conducted at Gardner and Reedsport by Mr. Reed.

Mrs. Earl Fickel and little son were in Roseburg enroute to California when news of the serious illness of the husband and father reached them, and in company with Mrs. M. Fickel, immediately left Saturday morning for North Bend, but it is thought that they were unable to reach the bedside of the young man before death ensued.

The body will reach Roseburg on Oct. 15 tonight, and the funeral will occur at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Roseburg Undertaking Parlor.

Pastor J. C. Spencer, of the M. E. Church, will preach the sermon, and interment will be at Masonic cemetery. Attendance at the service will be confined to immediate relatives and friends of the family, owing to prevalence of the influenza.

### ROSEBURG BOYS ST. MIHEL SECTOR

Right Up Against the Hun Lines With Heavy Artillery Company.

### HAVING A GREAT TIME

Dodging The German Shells That Come Whizzing Across No Man's Land—In Dugout Sixty Feet Under Ground.

(By Bert G. Bates.)

IN MY DUGOUT ON THE AMERICAN FRONT, Friday, Sept. 13.—For three days and three nights we have had no sleep and the things we have experienced during that time is certainly impossible to describe with my limited vocabulary. You have all probably read of the wonderful drive on this front. I have seen it all from the very start and according to reports now reaching us this drive is the most successful of the war. I am certainly glad to be in this thing and witness all the scrap for it is far more than I could ever imagine. I am able to write this letter only because a lull in the battle is taking place and allows us time for a little rest.

Hub Quine arrived yesterday and is now on duty with us. Nearly the whole Roseburg gang is together, including Leon McClintock, Tester, Willett, Ashworth and myself. We're going to be veterans of this big drive and for one to have the privilege of taking part in this big "demonstration" is certainly worth the price. The Hun are certainly on the run and in full retreat in this particular sector and will soon be heading our letters "Somewhere in Germany."

The bombardment which still continues is the most terrific of any yet set out. Big guns are booming every minute of the day and night and almost deafens one. And the first night this big feature was staged on the battle front it nearly swept us fellows off our feet for it was so awe-inspiring that the heavens lighted up by a million flashes from the big guns. It was as though hell had broken loose in all its fury and the explosions were so severe that they shook our dugout, sixty feet below the ground and when one steps out in the open it feels as though an earthquake was in progress. The air has been filled with whizzing shells and the distant rumbles of explosives on German soil is certainly music to our ears. Our outfit has made good in every respect and our shells have put "Beaucoup" Boche out of the way and destroyed all things in their path. Thousands of captured "baby stappers" are at this moment being brought back of our lines and we can plainly see the success of our withering shell fire. The Yanks have certainly proved their metal in this fight and the "contemptible army" is making things a— hot for Kaiser "Bill, the Booh."

How I would like to see the people of old Roseburg look in on this "programme" for a day. Wonderful, and it overshadows anything that anyone could produce at any time. All during the big drive in the St. Mihel salient we have been right with these big guns and the excitement is intense. At this very minute things have commenced to "loosen up" again and I want to get out in the open and witness the game. It is real fascinating and a thing that makes all else seem decidedly tame. All night long George Willett and I have tramped along the roads between the big guns with the rain coming down in torrents, but are well clothed with rubber boots and slickers so the elements do not worry us.

You cannot imagine what a great experience this is and the feeling of satisfaction among us that the Hun are being ousted. Every shell we send over at them, prayer goes with it that it will be effective and further destroy Prussianism.

During the day the aviators are hard at work and what a wonderful sight it is to see a squadron of 20 or more machines flying over German lines—complete masters of the situation. Just a few moments ago I saw a fight between a Hun and an American plane. They dashed and swerved back and forth through the air firing their machine guns at each other. Finally, the Yank put a direct volley into the Boche plane and one wing of the machine was completely torn off and the wreck started on its downward flight towards the earth, crashing into a thousand bits when it hit the ground, thus adding another bit to an already long casualty list. It was thrilling to see a thing like this happen right before your eyes and only served to impress the war more forcibly on our minds.

I have seen the war in all its phases—behind the lines and on the front—overground and underground—and never in the future history of the world will anything ever be pro-

duced to rival it. It is like one big drama, with a little kindly comedy intermingled to take away the horror of it all. By comedy I mean the life of the soldier, his cheerfulness, even under shell fire, his willingness to grin, his readiness at all hours to work, his untiring interest in his fellow-fighters, his sacrifices to make things, even in this life, worth while and, above all, his fortitude in the face of hardships.

Every night at midnight we drink a lot of black coffee in order that we can keep awake and "be on the job". His fellows are all seeing the sights together and it is certainly fine that we can all be so close to each other and we are just like a bunch of brothers. We have been on the front now for over two weeks and expect to be here for sometime yet. We never get to wash our hands and face and have not had a shave for a week, so you know that Joe Knowles would be delighted with a life like this.

Later—I have just been on the outside witnessing the big show and it's great. We're blowing up the Boche towns and their whole country will be a mess of shell holes when we finish the job, but we won't finish until the place looks like a plowed cemetery. Clarence Tester is here cooking chocolate for the gang. We have a little alcohol stove and it sure comes in handy in this dugout. We don't have a chance to sleep much and these little fees help to keep us awake.

Leon McClintock is writing a letter to his folks and is sitting on the floor next to me. John Ac has been sent to another part of France and didn't get to see the big show up here, much to his regret.

The St. Mihel sector, of which you have no doubt heard, is the part of the battle front that we are fighting in and if you think our guns didn't do some destructive work you should have been here. Yesterday the Y. M. C. A. distributed to each soldier of this battalion on the front cigars, cigarettes, chewing gum, jelly, cookies, tooth paste, and matches. It seemed just like Christmas to us.

Yesterday George Willett and I walked to a small village near here and we were just about to return when Fritz began shelling the town. The first shells whizzed, and I was and you should have seen us hit for a trench. Nothing slow in our actions, I can assure you. To hear one of these shells coming at you making a shrieking noise is a thing that gets on a fellow's nerve and instinct tells you, to "duck"—and "duck" quick. You probably will not get much mail from us fellows now for we are on our way to Berlin with no stop-off tickets, and there is some fun before us, but the Yanks are the boys, and have got the Boche doing a Marathon towards their home town.

### SLACKER BLOCK IN THE PORTLAND JAIL

Fearing that he might not receive proper classification in the draft because of his recent marriage, William H. Block, Jr., of Indianapolis, Ind., fled on November 3, last year, and last night he was in the Mutnomah County Jail, a Federal prisoner, says the Saturday Oregonian. Block is the son of a leading merchant of Indianapolis, a man said to be intensely patriotic. The prisoner was buyer for his father's establishment.

According to Block's story, as told to Assistant United States Attorney Goldstein yesterday, he was married the month following the entry of the United States into the war. As time passed he read in the papers that newly married men would be drafted and particularly that young men of wealth would have no chance to escape service. This preyed on his mind, and last November he drew \$10,000 from the bank, took his bride and fled. The couple visited Minneapolis, St. Paul, Seattle, Portland and San Francisco. Last May in San Francisco, a baby girl was born.

Mrs. Hart, mother of the young Mrs. Block, was advised that the baby was ill and she was directed to come to Portland and register at the Mutnomah. When she arrived here, Mrs. Hart received a telephone message to proceed to Roseburg and there she met the couple, who were at Roseburg that Sheriff Quine arrested Block as a slacker. He was brought to Portland by Deputy Marshal Tichenor. Bail was placed at \$10,000, a sum which did not seem impossible for the young man to raise.

To Mr. Goldstein Block declared that wealth had been a detriment to him; that he realized his mistake in running away and that he now is convinced that he would have received a square deal from his local board. In contrast to the rich Mr. Block is George Williams, another alleged slacker. Williams' excuse is that he was working for a couple of Japanese near Salem who told him that he would lose his job if he registered. Deputy Marshal Tichenor brought the wealthy Block and the impoverished Williams to Portland in the same Automobile.

J. W. Hanson and S. J. Jones visited Drew last Saturday.

### THE BIG WAR IS NOT OVER YET

Do Not Be Deceived By the Paid Agents of Berlin Now on the Job.

### WAITING FOR US TO FALL

Treacherous Huns Spreading the Surrender Propaganda Broadcast—Look Out For the Poison Gas From Bochemod.

Do not be deceived by the paid agents of Berlin, into thinking that all we need to do now, is to send our soldier boys into the anemities territory, and he will surrender, for hidden behind the propaganda is concealed the treacherous Hun, with his death dealing machine guns, only waiting for us to fall into the trap. There has never been a time since America entered this world war, when it is so vitally important for united effort, and a determination to win the victory against Autocracy as now. Germany is not defeated, it may take two years more before the Allies can bring her to her knees; While the Hun army is retreating all along the western front, yet with this program being carried out, she is shortening her lines of defense, and making it possible to hold as never before, and at the same time release large armies for service along the Russian frontier. The Kaiser is still the German people, and will resist to the bitter end, any program that would eliminate him from power. There is no question as to Germany having paid agents all over the United States. Roseburg may have one of these "skunks", and these agents are undertaking to spread the gospel of an early peace, so as to interfere with the success of the Fourth Liberty Loan, and with the coming United War Work Campaign. In the name of the American boys who have made the supreme sacrifice, that the world may be free from autocracy, don't listen to this propaganda, but redouble your efforts along every patriotic line of work and giving; Autocracy is crumbling, but grave responsibilities rests on our people to continue safeguarding the health and morale of our boys over there; this is the time to show that we will not evade our individual share of the burden. Our soldiers can't quit, we who have joined in securing them can't quit. In the coming drive it is hoped to double the number of individual subscribers, suggesting to the world the willingness and determination of every loyal man and woman in the United States to keep our army invincible.

In the coming drive SEVEN separate organizations will be represented, each of which is doing a tremendous work among and for our soldier and sailor boys, both at home and over seas. The work of these organizations grows greater daily, as the number of men in both branches of the service increase; One year ago we had less than one million men in active service; today we have two million men in France, and many thousand in other foreign countries, and more than two million men in the training camps of this country; the needs of our Allies is greater now than one year ago, hence the need of greater giving on the part of our people, who will share in the final victory, without suffering any of the immediate hardships of the world war.

The following organizations are represented in the drive commencing November 11th, and ending November 18th:

- Y. M. C. A.
- Y. W. C. A.
- Salvation Army (funds for 1919).
- War Camp Community Service.
- American Liberty Association.
- Knights of Columbus.
- Jewish Welfare Board.

The quota for Douglas County has been fixed at approximately \$21,000 only about one dollar per capita, and this sum should be over-subscribed the first day of the drive.

Look out for poison gas from Bochemod. The needs of our boys is greater than ever.

Don't forget that America has two million of the bravest and best overseas.

UNITED WAR WORK COMMITTEE  
By J. E. McClintock,  
Publicity Chairman.

DR. MILLER GREATLY IMPROVED.  
Dr. K. L. Miller, County Health officer who was stricken last Wednesday with the Spanish influenza and who has been quite seriously ill at his home since that time is greatly improved today and will in all probability be at his office in the Masonic Temple building tomorrow.