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## THE WEATHER

Tonight and Thursday Fair,  
Heavy Frost Morning  
Highest temp. yesterday 69  
Lowest temp. last night 37

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### NOTE MAY LEAD TO MORE DISCUSSION

German Reply to Wilson's Statement Creates Little Change in Situation.

### TERMS OF EVACUATION

Germany Would Like Privileges Probably Not Be Accorded—Allied Armies Continue to Smash Enemy at all Points.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Germany's latest note was delivered to Secretary Lansing this morning by the Swiss legation, and it may be positively stated, that there is not a thing in the communication to in any way alter the decision of the president, and that he will not propose an armistice to the allies before the Germans evacuated all occupied territory. It was intimated, however, that the only question demanding immediate consideration is whether there shall be a discussion of the "terms" of evacuation, while the allied and American armies continue the work of clearing Belgium and Northern France of Teuton troops.

### AMERICANS TAKE BRULLES.

WITH THE U. S. ARMY, Oct. 23.—The town of Brulles, on the western bank of the Meuse river, northwest of Verdun, which has been very stubbornly defended by the Germans, has been given up by the enemy. This is the latest point where the Americans have driven a dent into Hun defenses, despite the strongest resistance. Unable to check the United States troops the Germans set fire to the town and withdrew.

### FIGHTING AT VALENCIENNES.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—British are fighting their way into the center of Valenciennes, an important city just south of the Franco-Belgian frontier. The enemy is putting up a strong machine-gun fight from the east bank of the Scheldt canal. The British attack south of Valenciennes today is of vast strategic importance, and the allied salient is a menace to German lines clear to Holland, and if widened will have a tremendous effect on the enemy front to the south. Fighting is along a front of five or six miles, and the enemy has been driven back a mile along the entire distance. Although German troops are resisting stiffly their retreat is steady.

### TALK IS CHEAP.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—The practically universal opinion of London newspapers of Maximilian's speech before the reichstag is summed up in comment of the Evening Standard in the one sentence: "There is much vague talk, but nothing else."

### REACH SERRE RIVER.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Northwest of Laon French troops have reached the line of the Serre river, and have advanced two or three miles on an eight mile front.

### START NEW ATTACK.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—British forces today began a new attack on the front between Leateau and Solesmes. Haig's men have captured Bruay, two and a half miles north of Valenciennes, and have reached the west bank of the Scheldt canal. It was reported this afternoon that Romeriz, a mile and a half northeast of Solesmes, had been captured from the enemy. A good many prisoners are coming in and the Germans are fighting doggedly to check the allied advance.

### NEW GERMANIC STATE.

BASSEL, Oct. 23.—German-Austrian deputies in the Austrian reichsrath have formed an assembly for the purpose of conducting the affairs of Germanic people in Austria. The assembly has issued a declaration announcing the creation of the "Germanic state of Austria."

### AUSTRIA LETS GO.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 23.—Austrian authorities in those parts of Poland occupied by Austrian armies have formally handed over the administration of civil affairs to the Polish people, according to a Vienna dispatch.

### WILL MAKE GERMANY PROTH.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Foreign Secretary Balfour said in a speech today that it is not consistent with the safety, security and unity of the British empire that German colonies be returned to her.

### SHRETTLE PROPAGANDA.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 23.—Chancellor Maximilian has announced the adoption of a bill making the German reichstag responsible hereafter

for war or peace. The measure is alleged to become effective when Germany's project of a league of nations, proposed by the chancellor a couple of weeks ago, becomes effective.

### CARGO SHIP FOUNDERS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The navy department announced the sinking of an American cargo steamer, the Lake Borgne, off the coast of France. The vessel struck a rock and foundered. There was no loss of life.

### LEAVES FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

Miss Lola Williams, a popular young lady of this city who has just recently returned from Honolulu, where she has been employed by the government in the capacity of a nurse, and who has been visiting with her mother Mrs. J. C. Williams of this city, left last night for San Francisco to report at the Presidio for further notification for service.

### RED CROSS WORKERS.

Ladies who are interested in the sewing department of the Red Cross are notified that there is no more material just at present at the local work rooms. If any one has any capes or dresses at their homes working on them they are requested to bring them to the work rooms and finish them as an effort is being made to send all these clothes away in the near future and the work must be completed at an early date.

### RALPH QUINE IS ILL WITH SMALLPOX

Mrs. J. G. Stephenson, of this city, who is visiting with her son, Woodley, at Fort Columbia, has written to Mrs. George Quine that her son, Ralph, is ill with smallpox. At first it was thought he was taken with Spanish influenza, but later developments proved his illness to be that of smallpox. The patient has been removed to Fort Stevens for medical attention and it is not that his case will prove serious, though his parents will keep closely advised concerning his condition.

### Live-wire Doings of City

#### Returns From Salem.

Miss Violet Graham returned from Salem last evening, where she was called to the funeral of her nephew Thomas Townsend, who was a victim of pneumonia.

#### Douglas Boys Will Leave

Three of Douglas county's boys will leave tonight for a northern camp where they will be inducted into the service. They are William Bayless, Joseph Walker and William Anderson.

#### Left For Eugene Today.

Mrs. Ralph Kussel and two children left this afternoon for Eugene, where they will visit for a few days with the former's brother, after which they will go to Portland to join Mr. Russell.

#### Will Move to Roseburg.

J. H. Buchanan of Dillard was in the city yesterday looking for residence property. Mr. Buchanan expects to move to Roseburg in the near future or just as soon as he can find a suitable house for his family.

#### Suit Was Filed Today.

In the circuit court today a suit was filed for the recovery of a promissory note, Wm. Hanke being the plaintiff and W. A. Bogard the defendant. Attorney B. L. Eddy represents the plaintiff.

#### Taken to Mercy Hospital.

Wm. Kirkland, who came here recently from the south to accept a position as machinist in the S. F. roundhouse, was taken to Mercy hospital this morning because of serious illness. Dr. Hoover is the attending physician.

#### Shipping Deer Skins.

County Treasurer James Sawyers was busy this morning with the shipping of deer skins contributed by the people of the county for the aviation branch of the army. The proceeds from the sale of these skins will be given to the Red Cross.

#### F. F. Hoover and Noble Andrews.

of Myrtle Creek, visited with friends here yesterday.

#### Mr. and Mrs. Levi White, of West Roseburg.

are in receipt of a brief note from their son, Levi, who with the 49th has just arrived overseas. The young man has many friends here, who will be glad to get this word from him.

Word has been received here that another Parazo boy had passed away at his home in Chilton, Klamath county. No particulars were in the treasury other than he would be buried at Fort Klamath.

### U.S. TROOPS THINK PEACENOTE HUMBBUG

Are Confident Germans Are Playing the Game For Time To Recuperate.

### TO CONTINUE OFFENSIVE

Closing in of Winter Will See No Cessation of American Effort to Demolish the Huns—Britons Stir up Enemy.

### (By Associated Press.)

WITH U. S. FORCES WEST OF VERDUN, Oct. 23.—Unless saved by their plea for peace the German armies will be subjected to a steady hammering along the greater part of the western front throughout the winter. It is quite generally the opinion among the troops that Prince Maximilian's note was inspired for the sole purpose of obtaining a breathing spell for the hard pushed Germans. Decreased activity would enable the enemy to recuperate and make certain a prolongation of the war. United States army officers state that there are only about two places along the entire front where winter activities are impossible, but probably seventy-five per cent of the battle line offers no real obstacle to a continuance of activities during the forthcoming months of bad weather. It is the plan to have the American troops continually deliver short, sharp and smashing blows at all accessible points, compelling the enemy to keep large numbers of troops massed here.

### PEACE WITH JUSTICE.

ASSOCIATED PRESS WAR SYNOPSIS, Oct. 23.—British troops are again storming the German defenses west of Maubeuge in a new attack launched today. Just as soon as the Scheldt river is crossed at Valenciennes, the British advance will seriously threaten both Mons and Maubeuge. Chancellor Prince Maximilian told the reichstag that Germany proposes to carry on a defensive warfare if the imperial government fails to secure from the allies "peace with justice." Maximilian alleged that the German government wants to know what President Wilson's fourteen conditions of peace mean to the future of the Teutonic people as a nation before it enters into any peace upon those proposals.

### REAR GUARD HARD PRESSED.

ROME, Oct. 23.—Austrian rear guards of fleeing enemy units in Albania are being hard pressed by Italian cavalry, and the Austrians have retired to defenses north of the Matra river, thirty miles north of Elbasan.

### WEST ROSEBURG LADY IS CALLED BY DEATH

Mrs. W. A. Dimmick, of West Roseburg, died at the family home late yesterday afternoon following a short illness, resulting in complications which apparently were unremovable. Mrs. Dimmick, who had been in Montana for a good part of the summer, arrived home yesterday morning and was at the bedside when she died. The deceased is survived by her husband and several children, two of whom are quite small. One daughter, Mrs. Clarence Cooley, was some during her mother's illness. Another married daughter, Mrs. Downing, residing at Leona, was notified by telephone yesterday evening of Mrs. Dimmick's death and is expected here today. Mrs. Dimmick was a faithful, consecrated Christian and a member of the Seventh Day Church. The funeral will occur late this afternoon, only the family and a few friends being permitted to attend, owing to influenza being prevalent in the city. Interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

### ADDS ATTRACTIVE FEATURE.

Miss Agnes Pitchford has added another attractive feature to her news stand on Jackson street in the form of a small sliding window, thus closing the interior and making the office more comfortable for the saleslady during the cold weather. The interior is undergoing a renewal of oak stain, while the exterior of the building is being treated to a fresh coat of white paint.

### BORN—At Portland, October 21,

to the wife of Dr. L. A. Dillard, a son. The mother is a sister of W. L. and Tom Cobb, of this city, and formerly lived here. Dr. Dillard, a dentist, is with the army at Camp Mead, Md.

### BUSY DAYS FOR BOYS ON FRONT

Julius Riddle Writes Concerning Activities Among the American Forces.

### JUST ABOUT SOCKLESS

Had To Leave All His Winter Apparel in the Barracks Before Leaving For the Front.—Germans On the Run.

Dear Mother,  
Was so pleased today, when I received a big bunch of mail from home, seven or eight letters from you and Dad, one from each Aunt Pearl, Aunt Nett and Leo Rapp.

First mail we have had in two weeks or better.  
I suppose you have been worrying as I haven't written for almost two weeks, the fact is I've been moving all the time. One of the men transferred out of the Company, a driver, so I got his car, and that means work, fixing the car up and working all at the same time and we were the original bus guys for a week or two while the big push was on. That is what I do like about our outfit, we hit all the fronts when there is something doing. Believe me, we don't miss anything. Since things have quieted down in that sector and the salient was all straightened out, we have moved to another sector and things are humming right along here now.

I am more proud every day that I am an American and in the American army as they are certainly the boys that are showing the Huns what it means to fight fair and on the square, and lick the devil out of them. We certainly have Willie's number and I'll bet he has a hunch that America's "contemptible" little army is the one that is going to make the foot race to Berlin a reality.

While orderly for another fellow before our last move we fixed his car all up, overhauling the motor and putting in new bearings, etc. but right after that I got my car and I have not had a chance to do anything to it along the overhauling line. May have a chance after this push is over, but it is going to be some cold about that time of the year. It is plenty cold right now along in the nights when we are rambling along the roads.

I have not thought much about Xmas as yet, but since you have mentioned it I do hope they let packages come through, for my sweet tooth is beginning to bother me again and my feet are sockless most of the time so you can see about what I need. I left all of my winter stuff in my barracks bag and I don't have much hope of ever seeing that again, but our officers feel confident that we will all get them again some time, but that is the big question. Hope we are going to pretty soon for some of that winter clothing would look mighty good to me now, but there is one thing I believe this will be the last winter we will have to work over here, so we can stand it with a smile, especially as the Boche are doing the Tango Crawk back to Berlin with the Amex forces prodding them along to speed them up a little.

I am going to take a chance and see if I can catch a little sleep, may be a couple of hours before I have to get out again, and sleep is the real big thing right now. With love,  
JULIUS.

### KAISER MUST YIELD, SAYS EDITOR HARDEN

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 21.—"We are alone. When a fortress can no longer hold it is no dishonor if the commander surrenders. The Kaiser must take up his cross of concluding whatever is hard. Let the Kaiser declare himself ready and let him fit himself with new Germany as her first citizen."

This utterance by Maximilian Harden, addressed to several people in Berlin yesterday, was loudly applauded.

Herr Harden, whose plain-spoken language in Die Zukunft, of which he is editor, has caused suspension of that journal on several occasions, was permitted, according to the reports of his address, to speak freely and without hindrance.

His remarkable declaration respecting surrender and "the Kaiser's cross" followed a review of the situation in which he pointed out that Bulgaria was occupied, Turkey's fate was sealed and Austria-Hungary was out of the fight.

### SPANISH "FLU" IS ON THE WANE

Half of the Cases Reported in Roseburg Are Now Fully Recovered.

### SITUATION WELL IN HAND

Quarantine Is Bringing Good Results And The Lid Will Be Closed Tightly For Next Few Days to Curb Disease.

That the "Flu" is slightly on the decrease in this city is the report from the County Health officer today and it is thought that the epidemic has in all probability, begun to slacken, in the number and severity of cases. From the 100 cases now reported in Roseburg, half are fully recovered and able to be about the streets while the remainder are in various stages of recovery. However there should be no slacking or lifting up of the quarantine lid in fact, more care should be taken than ever by citizen and physicians alike, to prevent the spread of the plague, according to the health officers.

It can readily be seen that the strict quarantine that has been adopted here and throughout the county is bringing good results and the "lid" will be held down even more closely for the next few days. The latest victim of the disease in Roseburg among the local physicians is Dr. A. F. Selzer, who was forced to his sick-bed last evening, when the first symptoms of the "Flu" appeared. County health officer, L. E. Miller, Dr. L. M. Lehrbach and City Health Officer B. R. Shoemaker who have all been stricken with the disease are practically recovered, the former two physicians now being sufficiently recovered to care for their practices and official duties, so that the medical situation which has been rather acute here during the past few days is improved. Throughout the County towns the influenza is fast disappearing and the situation in Elsie, Myrtle Creek, Gladvale and Yoncalla is very encouraging according to the latest reports. The various districts throughout the County including Willamette, Winchester, Ten Mile, Olalla, Looking Glass, Green and several others have closed their schools because of the "Flu", however in many of these districts it is thought that the situation will be sufficiently improved to warrant the opening of schools next Monday. Today's reports are decidedly better on the whole and it is thought that the end of the week will bring even more relief. In proportion to the number of cases with that of other counties in the state, Douglas has possibly lost fewer cases through death from the influenza and its complications than any other and the results show that the physicians are having the cooperation, universally of every citizen in a united effort to wipe out the ravages of the plague.

### HAVING BIG FEEDS ON BATTLE FRONT

Telling of their experience at the battle front in letters received from a number of local boys with the heavy artillery today they say an abundance of good wholesome food is being supplied to the fighting forces and in great quantities. Hub Quine, Jeff Tester, Leon McClintock, Bert Bates and George Willot are all housed together in a dugout, 50 feet under the ground, and are doing their own cooking. Judging from the "menu" the boys speak of, they are certainly getting along in fine shape and enjoying a great variety of foodstuffs, cooked in their own original way, which probably tastes good to a hungry Yank, but would soon "get" a fellow inclined toward dyspepsia. At any rate the boys are getting all the good there is to be had out of the game and when they return, will have some hilarious experiences to relate to their friends.

### MANY LETTERS COME FROM OVERSEAS TODAY

A big lot of overseas mail arrived in Roseburg today and as a consequence there are many happy fathers and mothers. The boys who are with the heavy artillery and right in the thickest of the big fight, write mighty cheerful concerning their present welfare and seem to take a great delight in dodging the Hun shells whizzing over their heads. Leon McClintock and Bert Bates sent home as a souvenir buttons cut off

of the uniforms of dead German soldiers belonging to the Crown Prince's army. After heavy fighting on the front recently, in which many Germans were killed, a number of the Roseburg boys went on a "tour of inspection" over in German territory to witness the havoc their withering fire had wrought. They found countless dead German soldiers, many of them still holding their guns in a death grip and the sight was one that is indescribable. Great quantities of souvenirs could be had but were not taken for the reason that it is impossible to carry them when an order is given to move from one sector to another. The local boys are all in fine health, haven't had a bath for weeks, or a shave, but are still free from the "cooties", still another one of their number writes that some of his close associates are "scratching a little" and that they will probably "take on" a consignment of the visitors at no far distant date.

### OLD HIGH COST OF LIVING TAKES JUMP

Old High Cost of Living has so jumped during the past twelve months that mere existence has become a sort of luxury.  
Your groceryman tells you he simply has to charge the price asked; the clothier informs you that the same suits he sold for \$20, are now \$40 and \$50 each, and a bargain at that; your milkman strikes you off the list in a hurry if you dare demur to \$3.75 per quart a month; your wife's winter coat will be close to the \$60 mark, and her shoes will be a bargain at \$14.50. As to your winter's wood pile—the least said is the best.

Such are the fruits of war, and such are the burdens to be borne by the great army of the secondary defense. It's a great life—if you don't weaken.  
But what would your groceryman say if you asked him to knock off his profit in these troublesome times? What would happen if you informed your shoeman, your milk man, your troy goods man, and the rest of the bunch, that they would have to let you have the goods at a reduced price? Would these gentlemen politely accede to your request? They would not. Bankruptcy would follow if they did.

You couldn't expect it—you would not ask it! These are not the good old days of old. Costs have gone up on everything, and quite naturally, too.  
In view of the general condition of affairs it is a rather astounding bit of legislation that Sam Jackson, editor of the Portland Journal would foist onto the statute books this fall. It is astounding to the person unacquainted with the facts, but to those who understand the motives underlying the proposed measure, Mr. Jackson's scheme is petty, diabolical, dirty, and as malicious as any piece of legislation that was ever framed to be "put over" on the citizens of Oregon.

You have your home paper, you believe in it, and you realize that its influence as a community builder is big. Do you know, also, that a man high in affairs of the nation has recently stated that the First, Second, Third and Fourth Liberty loans would never have been possible without the generous support of the press of Oregon and of the nation? Do you know, too, that not one cent of advertising was appropriated by the government to help the press make the loan a success.

But to return to Jackson's malicious measure. He and some Portland attorney have decided that the legal advertising rate, which provides that publishers shall not be paid a greater sum than five cents per line, is altogether too high to suit his imperial taste. He therefore has prepared an initiative petition and wants the voters of Oregon to lower the rate, in accordance with his wishes.

This is Millionaire Jackson's way of "getting even" with the press of Oregon. He has been unable to dictate to the talking editors of the state who have steadily refused to be whipped into line to support Jackson's single tax and other campaigns waged by the Journal. He has chosen the psychological time to carry out his nefarious plan—a time when probably ninety per cent of the papers of the state are struggling to keep the wolf from the door, that they may "carry on" in their important mission of helping Uncle Sam's war activities. It is a scheme worthy of Jackson, and a really clever way to cut the throats of the country editors. Bring his advertising rates down below cost and you can run him out of the field! Isn't it a commendable work for a millionaire publisher to be engaged in?

Unfortunately for Jackson the voters are onto his little game. They believe in their own communities, they believe in their home papers, and they are generous enough to admit that the newspaper men of the state have a God-given right to live in Oregon, in spite of Editor Jackson's personal wishes in the matter.

### BENJAMIN CARO NOW NEAR FRONT

Says His Company Is Anxious to Get Into the Big Conflict.

### WRITES HARRY PEARCE

Gets Ten Days For Losing His Hard Tack and Says, Good, Old Lager Beer Looks Fine at 9 Cents Per.

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE, Sept. 22, 1918.—To Harry Pearce and His Kitchen Cabinet:—By the time this letter reaches you, your hot stove council ought to be well organized for the winter, down to work and committees all appointed.  
Over here we are steadily training and studying and getting ready for our work, which promises to be very interesting and the boys are all just aching to get right into the thick of it.

In spite of all the discomforts and unpleasanties you can't keep the spirits of the boys down and right now one of the boys is playing a piccolo and just a few minutes ago a bonjo and mandolin "were going to it". Clog dancers and singers of local repute are among us in numbers.  
Unpleasanties such as confinement to barracks is common and about 240 to 250 of our 280 are doing time so to speak. I lost my hard tack coming over and got ten days for that. Then, Friday I inadvertently left my writing pad laying on my bunk and five more were added. I tell you, you are supposed to toe the mark.

But when we can go out, we can buy our beer and wine with a free conscience, for a reasonable price. Beer costs 9c per glass and you can buy a real glass. Wine is cheaper than that. The boys use this privilege with mighty good judgement and there are mighty few total abstainers among us and fewer drunks than that.

Now for the other extreme: Tobacco is just about worth its weight in gold and when a man manages to get a cigarette, he is besieged with fellows begging for butts. We have a tobacco issue, but it is away overdone. The -ara commissary are almost always out and all-in-all you not know what to say, when you see a boy with a cigarette made of coffee grounds exchanging puffs with another, who has one made of dry leaves and trying to find out which tastes the best. I tell you, tobacco is a prime necessity.

And mail: For almost seven weeks now, we have been without it and the battalion is mighty anxious to hear from home.  
Our pay is overdue and money is scarce.  
We get almost enough to eat in great variety. For instance for breakfast we get bacon, potatoes, bread and coffee, while the next morning we get coffee, bread, potatoes and bacon. So you see, we get corn beef hash, waste beef, Salmon and it is all canned, including the bacon and potatoes, are mostly dehydrated. Just as the Sutherland "Everfresh" Company puts up. We get prunes too and I saw on a box the other day the good old sign of Oregon Prunes and I wondered out of whose Umpqua Valley orchard they came.

The valley here looks very much like the Umpqua.  
We are in the neighborhood of the front and I have heard the big guns boom, have seen German airplanes being fired upon and saw one which our boys brought down.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year, I am the friend of all of you. My address is simply this and not the signature:  
PRT. BENJ. F. CARO  
Co. C., 324 Field Sig. Bn.,  
American Exp. Forces.

### REV. WARRINGTON MAY BE WITH LOCAL BOYS

Roseburg boys who are serving with the 65th heavy artillery at the front, write, they have received word "over there" that Rev. Warrington of Roseburg, has arrived in France and that it is quite possible he will be assigned to the company which includes many of the local boys. This is good news to the soldiers and they say, they will be delighted if the rumor proves to be a fact as they would like to get in touch with a recent arrival from this city. They also write that quite recently Harold Hellows was seen at the front driving a ambulance, but at the time there was much a congestion of machines and great activity of the battle, that they were unable to talk with him.