

Pull for a bigger, better and more prosperous Roseburg and Douglas County.

THE EVENING NEWS

THE WEATHER
Tonight and Tuesday, Fair.
Highest temp. yesterday... 51
Lowest temp. last night... 39

VOL. 10.

ROSEBURG, DOUGLAS COUNTY, OREGON, MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 1919.

NO. 193

TWO U.S. AVIATORS HELD FOR RANSOM

Mexicans Threaten Men With Death Unless Big Sum is Paid Today.

DEPARTMENT IS BUSY

Acute Tension in Diplomatic Circles Over Incident.—Mexican Government Will Be Compelled to Pay Sum Demanded.

(By Associated Press.)
EL PASO, Aug. 18.—Somewhere in Mexico south of what is known as the Big Bend district Lieutenants Paul H. Davis and Harold C. Peterson, aviators in the United States aviation service are held by Mexican bandits for \$15,000 ransom, and death is threatened to the young men unless the money is paid by tonight. The aviators disappeared eight days ago, evidently having been compelled to make a landing on Mexican soil following a flight south. Word was only received yesterday by the Texas authorities that the aviators were being held for ransom. Steps were immediately taken to meet the demands of the bandits, and the money now will be paid at Candelaria, Texas, tonight. A message signed by the aviators asking that the ransom be paid, was received in Texas. Lieutenant Davis is 23 years old and his home is Berkeley, Cal. Lieutenant Peterson is 25, and his parents live at Hutchinson, Minn. The families have been notified of the danger to the aviators. Nothing will be left undone that may assist in securing the release of the fliers.

SITUATION TENSE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Already strained diplomatic relations with Mexico are regarded as acute, due to Mexican bandits' holdings of United States aviators for ransom. Detention of members of the military forces of the country is considered a more serious offense than if the parties were private citizens. The state department today made vigorous representations to the Mexican embassy.

The United States embassy at Mexico City has been instructed by Aviators Peterson and Davis. The Mexican government for quick action in connection with the ransom of the aviators Peterson and Davis. The U. S. consul at Juarez is also instructed to push America demands. The ransom will be paid today by the government directly, and the amount charged up to the Carranza administration, or the Mexican state will be called to liquidate the ransom. It was stated by Secretary Baker that there was yet some uncertainty as to whether the American aviators landed in Mexico by this take, or, as they claimed, landed on the United States side of the boundary and were captured there by bandits. They were doing border patrol duty when they fell into the hands of Mexican bandits.

DECLARE KOLCHAK OUTLAW

LONDON, Aug. 18.—A decree declaring that Admiral Kolchak and his all-Russian cabinet at Omsk to be outlaws, has been issued by the soviet government, a Moscow wireless dispatch states.

BOLESHIVISTS DRIVEN OUT

LONDON, Aug. 18.—According to reports received here, all Bolsheviks have been driven out of Moscow by the all-Russian population. Soviet forces are alleged to be evacuating Kiev and all of Ukraine.

ENLISTED AT PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Aug. 18.—Lieutenant Davis, held by the Mexican bandits, enlisted at Portland and was sent to San Antonio for training soon after the war started. He became so proficient that he was held as an instructor.

ENJOY FISHING TRIP

Dr. B. R. Shoemaker, Fred Faye and Theodore Abraham spent yesterday on the North Umpqua enjoying a fishing trip. Although the number of fish caught was not the limit, yet they report a most pleasant time, with enough of the speckled tribe to at least make things interesting.

ROSEBURG GIRL PASSES AWAY THIS MORNING

Nancy Watson, prominent young lady of Douglas county passed away this morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. V. B. McKean, of South Deer Creek. Death came after a lingering illness of several months during which time she was under the constant care of a physician and for some time was a patient in the Mercy hospital. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Watson, of Glendale and has resided in this section nearly all of her life. For some time she taught in the public schools and was later employed in the Umpqua Valley Bank. She was a member

COOS ATTORNEY TO ASSIST GEO. BROWN

To Accompany Leland Brown Into Malheur District To Make Investigations.

MANY ACRES INVOLVED

One Man Has Been Murdered in Questions Over the Right of Big Acreage.—State May Claim Land Left by Receding Water of Lake

Leland Brown, son of Attorney-General George M. Brown will leave today by auto for the Malheur lake county in company with L. A. Liljeqvist, district attorney of Coos county who arrived here yesterday from Marshfield. Mr. Liljeqvist is assisting the attorney general in the Malheur lake county investigation in over which 20,000 acres worth over a million dollars are at stake. Attorney-General Brown, who has been in this city enjoying his vacation for the past two weeks, has been working on the case nearly every moment of the time and is sending the Coos county attorney into that territory to interview about thirty residents of the lake district as a part of the litigation which the state is now making as to whether it can claim right to lands around the lake from which the water has receded.

Ready By September

Mr. Liljeqvist has been especially employed to work on the Malheur General Brown in the case as now completed the survey of the lake and several canyons are interested in defeating the state in its attempt to claim the land.

Rich Farming Land

Twenty thousand acres of rich agricultural lands valued at over a million dollars are at stake states Mr. Liljeqvist. About 100 persons who are owners of property around the lake and several canyons are interested in defeating the state in its attempt to claim the land.

By the Digging of a Canal

connecting Malheur lake with a neighboring body of water the waters were governed originally and irrigation progresses have recently cut down the quantity of water uncovered a great area of land. Two meander lines were fixed by the government, complicating matters somewhat. All owners of land around the lake and canyons and property extends to the very center of the lake and that they have right to the areas uncovered as the water retreats.

One Murder On Record

This man has been murdered in controversies between the waters to this land and much opposition exists in the Malheur country to the state's move to gain the land.

Attorney General There

Attorney General Brown will be met in eastern Oregon by Mr. Liljeqvist and with him the case will be taken up at this time. Mr. Liljeqvist will not return to the Bay for several weeks.

Mr. Liljeqvist This Week Underwent an Operation for the Removal of his Tonsils and he feared this might necessitate the postponement of his trip.

Live-wire Doings of City

J. M. Rogers who has been visiting for several days with his son, Frank Rogers, S. P. special agent, left yesterday morning for his home at Portland.

Going to Crater Lake

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Dorney and child of Illinois arrived in Roseburg yesterday and will accompany Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Webber and family on an auto trip to Crater Lake. The start will be made Wednesday.

Home From Vacation

Mrs. J. G. Stephenson and daughter, Mattie Lee, Mrs. Jess Patrick and Archie Taylor arrived in this city Saturday after an absence of ten days, the most of which has been spent in the Cascade mountains, where they enjoyed their vacation. The trip was made in Mr. Taylor's auto.

Will Establish Another Record

"Cannonball" Baker, who passed through here on a motorcycle some time ago enroute to the Mexican line from the Canadian border to establish a record, has left Los Angeles now on a "speed bike" for New York City in an effort to break the transcontinental motorcycle record of 7 days, 16 hours, 16 minutes.

Leland Brown Here

Leland Brown, son of Attorney-General and Mrs. George M. Brown, spent Sunday in this city with his parents. He left today for Malheur County, where he will spend a couple of weeks checking up data in the land fraud cases, which were ordered investigated by the State Legislature.

LEASES BUILDING FOR AUTO SHOW ROOMS

C. O. Thomas, local agent of the Overland and Studebaker automobiles today leased the building formerly occupied by the post office at the corner of Cass and Stephens street and owned by J. W. Perkins. The building will be used as a sales and exhibit room by the dealer and will be completely remodeled on the interior. On the property adjoining the building Mr. Perkins will construct another building to be used as a machine and repair shop. Mr. Thomas will also lease the new structure for his use.

E. N. Stewart, the insurance agent

spent Saturday at Sutherlin attending to business matters.

COOS ATTORNEY TO ASSIST GEO. BROWN

To Accompany Leland Brown Into Malheur District To Make Investigations.

MANY ACRES INVOLVED

One Man Has Been Murdered in Questions Over the Right of Big Acreage.—State May Claim Land Left by Receding Water of Lake

Leland Brown, son of Attorney-General George M. Brown will leave today by auto for the Malheur lake county in company with L. A. Liljeqvist, district attorney of Coos county who arrived here yesterday from Marshfield. Mr. Liljeqvist is assisting the attorney general in the Malheur lake county investigation in over which 20,000 acres worth over a million dollars are at stake. Attorney-General Brown, who has been in this city enjoying his vacation for the past two weeks, has been working on the case nearly every moment of the time and is sending the Coos county attorney into that territory to interview about thirty residents of the lake district as a part of the litigation which the state is now making as to whether it can claim right to lands around the lake from which the water has receded.

Ready By September

Mr. Liljeqvist has been especially employed to work on the Malheur General Brown in the case as now completed the survey of the lake and several canyons are interested in defeating the state in its attempt to claim the land.

Rich Farming Land

Twenty thousand acres of rich agricultural lands valued at over a million dollars are at stake states Mr. Liljeqvist. About 100 persons who are owners of property around the lake and several canyons are interested in defeating the state in its attempt to claim the land.

By the Digging of a Canal

connecting Malheur lake with a neighboring body of water the waters were governed originally and irrigation progresses have recently cut down the quantity of water uncovered a great area of land. Two meander lines were fixed by the government, complicating matters somewhat. All owners of land around the lake and canyons and property extends to the very center of the lake and that they have right to the areas uncovered as the water retreats.

One Murder On Record

This man has been murdered in controversies between the waters to this land and much opposition exists in the Malheur country to the state's move to gain the land.

Attorney General There

Attorney General Brown will be met in eastern Oregon by Mr. Liljeqvist and with him the case will be taken up at this time. Mr. Liljeqvist will not return to the Bay for several weeks.

Mr. Liljeqvist This Week Underwent an Operation for the Removal of his Tonsils and he feared this might necessitate the postponement of his trip.

Live-wire Doings of City

J. M. Rogers who has been visiting for several days with his son, Frank Rogers, S. P. special agent, left yesterday morning for his home at Portland.

Going to Crater Lake

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Dorney and child of Illinois arrived in Roseburg yesterday and will accompany Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Webber and family on an auto trip to Crater Lake. The start will be made Wednesday.

Home From Vacation

Mrs. J. G. Stephenson and daughter, Mattie Lee, Mrs. Jess Patrick and Archie Taylor arrived in this city Saturday after an absence of ten days, the most of which has been spent in the Cascade mountains, where they enjoyed their vacation. The trip was made in Mr. Taylor's auto.

Will Establish Another Record

"Cannonball" Baker, who passed through here on a motorcycle some time ago enroute to the Mexican line from the Canadian border to establish a record, has left Los Angeles now on a "speed bike" for New York City in an effort to break the transcontinental motorcycle record of 7 days, 16 hours, 16 minutes.

Leland Brown Here

Leland Brown, son of Attorney-General and Mrs. George M. Brown, spent Sunday in this city with his parents. He left today for Malheur County, where he will spend a couple of weeks checking up data in the land fraud cases, which were ordered investigated by the State Legislature.

FRUIT PACKING SCHOOL BEGUN

Eighty Applicants Learning To Handle Douglas County Apples and Pears.

GREAT INTEREST SHOWN

Only Half of the Number Making Application, Can Be Handled at One Time on Account of Lack of Space.

With over 80 applicants the first packing school to be held in Douglas County was put in operation this morning at 10 o'clock at the Umpqua Valley Fruit Union plant in North Roseburg, where throughout the day half that number, which was all that could be accommodated at one time, sorted, graded and packed apples under the direction of instructor from the Oregon Agricultural College. The applicants are men, women and children of practically all ages. Many of them are ex-servicemen and are still wearing the uniform or parts of it.

It may be mentioned right here

that there are those who have claimed that this school is being held to benefit the Umpqua Valley Fruit Union, but instead of such being the case the Union is standing a financial loss in order that the fruit crop may be later handled by experts. The fruit which is being used is being handled over and over and will be totally unfit for any but immediate use and will probably be discarded in a few days. The paper, which is very expensive, is being used in large quantities and is being furnished by the union. The students after competing their work are allowed to pack for whom they please and are under no contract or agent.

Packers Are Scarce

"We are doing this knowing that we will benefit in the long run," said Mr. R. H. C. Wood, manager of the Union. "This year our fruit crop is going to be larger than ever before and unless we have packers we will not be able to care for our fruit. These people will be taught the disposal of at very low prices. Personally I would like to see such a course installed and I am sure it would be liberally supported."

The school is being conducted by

Prof. C. E. Schuster and Prof. Guy Bishop of the Horticultural department of the O. A. C. They are assisted by Floyd Wilson, foreman for the Umpqua Valley Fruit Union. Prof. Schuster states that it is the best school he has yet attended and believes that it will greatly benefit the community. The school will continue until noon Saturday and during that time it is expected that over 100 will have taken the course and that many applications will have been received and are only practicing in order to get in readiness for the fruit season.

Dance a Huge Success

The Jazz-O-Four dance given at the armory on last Saturday evening was a great success and a large crowd was in attendance. These dances are going to be a regular Saturday night feature and the musical organization sponsoring the affairs have the jazziest tunes to offer for those desiring to trip. The light fantastic.

Is at Wedderburn

Col. B. F. Lawson, formerly a ranch proprietor of Round Prairie and who during the war was stationed for a while at Fort Stevens on the mouth of the Columbia is now located at Wedderburn, where he is acting as general manager of the Macleay estate company properties there.

Home From Klamath

Sheriff George K. Quine and two sons, Ralph and Herbert arrived here yesterday afternoon from Klamath Falls, where they have been attending the big "pumpkin round". They made the trip by auto and report the roads to that section as being in bad condition. When asked concerning the Elk's celebration at the southern city, the sheriff said, "Great, but the Bevo didn't taste good."

WILL EXTEND AIR PATROL OF FOREST

Flight to be Made to Penetrate Into Valuable Timbered Territory.

TAP ILLAHEE COUNTRY

Aviators and Forest Supervisor Will Establish New Route Further To The East Than Their Present Location.

With the airplane patrol firmly established and working on schedule many new routes are now being brought to light, where this form of fire prevention is proving itself to be much more practical than the system now in vogue. During the past few days one of its offshoot points has been most clearly demonstrated and the airplane is worth the expense incurred if only for the reason that during the periods of smoky weather it is unhampered in making observations. To the ground observer, who is required to look for several miles in horizontal direction, spotting a fire is practically impossible when the winds drive down a dense cloud of smoke to shut off the lookout. However, from the airplane the case is greatly different. The aviator flies above the thickest of the smoke and looking down upon the ground, the fire which is flying can discern even the smallest fire as well as if there were no smoke. As it rolls up in huge billows it is easily spotted even from a great distance and consequently another great problem of the forest fire patrol is solved.

To Extend Patrol

If present plans are carried out, Forest Supervisor S. C. Bartrum, in spite of wifely admonitions, will again take the air to assist the aviators in attending the patrols over a greater territory. It is hoped to establish a route further east in order to penetrate the Illahee country, which is a section of the most valuable timber land in the state. The flight will carry the planes directly east instead of northeast and will penetrate valuable lands heretofore touched by the air patrol. Mr. Bartrum has been working hard to make the patrol a success and has given a great deal of his time into the service. He has taken many flights in the interest of establishing routes and has made the innovation a decided success, putting the experiment past the experimental stage.

Major Smith Leaves

A great deal of the work was carried out with the cooperation of Major Albert Smith, who left Saturday in his plane for Seattle. Major Smith offered many suggestions in regard to the air service which were adopted in making the planes a part of the forest patrol. It is a great task to bring about a system, whereby lookouts on the ground and aviators in the air can work in harmony and not duplicate each others work, but such a task has been accomplished and the plan which was first ridiculed by many, has been brought to a state of perfection where it has proved itself a practical measure.

That the government has recognized

its value is proven by the fact that it has been ordered extended throughout the entire northwest and within a short time a large number of planes will be guarding forests throughout the whole country. Major Smith is confident that more machines will be sent to Oregon next year and advises immediate preparation for that.

ROCKFELLER GETS O. A. C. IDEAS

John D. Rockefeller's forester has written Director A. H. Cordley of the O. A. C. experiment station for his ideas on laying out an orchard. The forester is Alex. W. Dodge, a graduate in agriculture, who after two hard years in the military service was made chief forester for all the Rockefeller estates and forests. He has been asked to lay out an orchard in harmony with the landscape architecture of the favorite Rockefeller home, Pontiac hills, Pa. He expects later to call on Dr. Cordley for a manager for the project, as he is sure his director is always in touch with the best.

SILAGE HELPS WINTER CATTLE

In some of the little nooks of rich lands in range counties such as Grant and Wheeler great quantities of silage could be grown, which, mixed with the grain hays grown on the hillsides, would make much better feed for wintering cattle than the O. A. C. If these nooks are matured from feed lots and planted to silage or pe, the farmer would not only have a better crop for his live stock, but could grow more feed on his limited acreage. Silage can also be used with straw for wintering cattle.

"NULADE" EGGS POPULAR

"Nulade" Oregon eggs are bringing 54 cents a dozen when marketed.

U. S. MARINES HISS LEAGUE PROPOSAL

"Devil Dogs" Who Fought at Chateau Thierry Oppose Foreign Alliance.

WILSON IS DETERMINED

Will Force Senate to Accept His Opinion if Possible.—Secretary of State Lansing Has Little Knowledge of Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—With the insistent demand of President Wilson for action on the peace treaty, the political situation again becomes tense, with the senate opposition to the league of nations encouraged to fight harder by the information that is coming to Washington from most of the states west of the Mississippi.

This stiffening on the part of the

opposition has caused the president to alter his attitude in the last day or two in an apparent determination to resist any compromise. For days it had been whispered about Washington that the president was getting ready to capitulate, and this report had lowered the morale of the league leaders to a very noticeable degree. But today it became known that President Wilson, keenly annoyed by the growing impression that he had abandoned the fight, had decided to present a bold front to the enemy from now on.

Marines Hiss League

The hissing of Senator John Sharp Williams by the audience in the senate gallery Tuesday, when he undertook to reply to Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, is the outstanding incident of the week, making a profound impression on persons on all sides of the league question.

The fact that this manifestation,

the first of its kind ever witnessed in the United States capitol, was led by a group of "devil dogs", who helped to turn the Germans back at Chateau Thierry, has been pointed out by opponents of the league of nations as tending to the antagonism of America's returned defenders to the covenant fringed in Paris.

Coupling this manifestation with

the pronounced demonstration of approval given by the same audience by the same marines, to Senator Lodge when he concluded his address denouncing the league features of the league pact, the significance would seem to be correctly placed.

After listening to Secretary Lansing's

testimony for a while, who had intended to quit him as to his knowledge of the league covenant, senators found that their hearts had melted as they decided to withhold scolded interrogations.

It was indeed pathetic to listen to

Mr. Lansing telling how little he knew about the negotiations at Paris, although he was head of the American state department and ordinarily would be the president's prime counselor of the committee on such an occasion. Mr. Lansing was frank in admitting that he was ignorant in the discussion of practically every point and that no one knows the processes by which certain agreements were made with the other nations except Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House. Mr. Lansing's mental shift was so perfectly established that his inquirers gave up in despair.

The status of the league fight in

the senate may be summed up as follows:

There are 44 senators who would

vote for the league covenant without change; 36 senators stand ready to vote to reject the treaty and covenant in their entirety. The remaining 22 senators believe that the treaty and covenant can be modified to eliminate the present objections. It will be seen therefore, that the administration must gain 29 votes to ratify the treaty as it stands and the opposition must win three votes to reject it.

Shantung Provision Assailed

The amendment proposal which the leaders of both sides expect to develop the greatest strength in the senate contemplates striking from the treaty the provision giving Japan control in the Chinese province of Shantung. Not only did yesterday's poll show an increase in the number who oppose the provision, the republicans paroled, but several senators gave that as their only reason for not accepting the reservation program which covers only provisions in the league of nations covenant.

APPLE SCALD PREVENTABLE

Apple scald may be prevented by pickling the apple only as they mature and keeping them cool, says the July Oregon Courtman. The fruit should be not to cold or air-dried storage as soon as possible after picking. If it is to be held there for any length of time, it is better kept in open crates that allow good ventilation. Currents of outside air turned through the storage room when conditions favor will help prevent scald.

U. S. MARINES HISS LEAGUE PROPOSAL

"Devil Dogs" Who Fought at Chateau Thierry Oppose Foreign Alliance.

WILSON IS DETERMINED

Will Force Senate to Accept His Opinion if Possible.—Secretary of State Lansing Has Little Knowledge of Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—With the insistent demand of President Wilson for action on the peace treaty, the political situation again becomes tense, with the senate opposition to the league of nations encouraged to fight harder by the information that is coming to Washington from most of the states west of the Mississippi.

This stiffening on the part of the

opposition has caused the president to alter his attitude in the last day or two in an apparent determination to resist any compromise. For days it had been whispered about Washington that the president was getting ready to capitulate, and this report had lowered the morale of the league leaders to a very noticeable degree. But today it became known that President Wilson, keenly annoyed by the growing impression that he had abandoned the fight, had decided to present a bold front to the enemy from now on.

Marines Hiss League

The hissing of Senator John Sharp Williams by the audience in the senate gallery Tuesday, when he undertook to reply to Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, is the outstanding incident of the week, making a profound impression on persons on all sides of the league question.

The fact that this manifestation,

the first of its kind ever witnessed in the United States capitol, was led by a group of "devil dogs", who helped to turn the Germans back at Chateau Thierry, has been pointed out by opponents of the league of nations as tending to the antagonism of America's returned defenders to the covenant fringed in Paris.

Coupling this manifestation with

the pronounced demonstration of approval given by the same audience by the same marines, to Senator Lodge when he concluded his address denouncing the league features of the league pact, the significance would seem to be correctly placed.

After listening to Secretary Lansing's

testimony for a while, who had intended to quit him as to his knowledge of the league covenant, senators found that their hearts had melted as they decided to withhold scolded interrogations.

It was indeed pathetic to listen to

Mr. Lansing telling how little he knew about the negotiations at Paris, although he was head of the American state department and ordinarily would be the president's prime counselor of the committee on such an occasion. Mr. Lansing was frank in admitting that he was ignorant in the discussion of practically every point and that no one knows the processes by which certain agreements were made with the other nations except Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House. Mr. Lansing's mental shift was so perfectly established that his inquirers gave up in despair.

The status of the league fight in

the senate may be summed up as follows:

There are 44 senators who would

vote for the league covenant without change; 36 senators stand ready to vote to reject the treaty and covenant in their entirety. The remaining 22 senators believe that the treaty and covenant can be modified to eliminate the present objections. It will be seen therefore, that the administration must gain 29 votes to ratify the treaty as it stands and the opposition must win three votes to reject it.

Shantung Provision Assailed

The amendment proposal which the leaders of both sides expect to develop the greatest strength in the senate contemplates striking from the treaty the provision giving Japan control in the Chinese province of Shantung. Not only did yesterday's poll show an increase in the number who oppose the provision, the republicans paroled, but several senators gave that as their only reason for not accepting the reservation program which covers only provisions in the league of nations covenant.

APPLE SCALD PREVENTABLE

Apple scald may be prevented by pickling the apple only as they mature and keeping them cool, says the July Oregon Courtman. The fruit should be not to cold or air-dried storage as soon as possible after picking. If it is to be held there for any length of time, it is better kept in open crates that allow good ventilation. Currents of outside air turned through the storage room when conditions favor will help prevent scald.

Advertisement for a game on Labor Day at the auditorium. The game is between the Roseburg team and the... The game will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Labor Day, September 1st.