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THINK KAISER SEES ULTIMATE DEFEAT IN WAR

OFFICIAL ENGLAND SEES "LAST EFFORT" EXPEDIENTS IN NEW GERMAN POLICY.

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINE

German Advance on West Line Continues Unchecked, Admit Allies—Shells Dropped in Heart of Historic City—Losses on Both Sides in East Extremely Heavy.

London, Jan. 22.—It is officially announced that the British steamer, Durward, has been torpedoed and sunk by a submarine near the mouth of the Meuse river. A Dutch pilot boat rescued the crew of the ship, landing them at Hook, Holland.

London, Jan. 22.—England's belief that Germany forces ultimate defeat in the present war and is now planning to adopt desperate war measures, has been strengthened by the announcement that a German submarine has torpedoed and sunk the British steamer, Durward.

London, Jan. 22.—Details of a furious night attack by a German regiment in the region of Visny in which the enemy was driven off after a desperate hand to hand struggle, are brought in Amsterdam dispatches. Repeatedly repulsed by the Allies the Germans returned to the assault several times before the defeat was made decisive. When the engagement was finally over the enemy was driven back 900 yards beyond the original lines. The German losses, it is stated, were 260 killed and many wounded and captured. The British losses were comparatively light.

Paris, Jan. 22.—The bombardment of the historic Saint Die by the Germans is announced by the official war office statement. Six shells fell near the heart of the city, one striking near the famous cathedral built in the eleventh century. The announcement does not mention any fatalities but declares that the inhabitants fled in wild panic.

Petrograd, Jan. 22.—The bloodiest engagement since the inauguration of the new Russian offensive against Germany is in progress along a 40 mile front the war office has announced. Desperate fighting is reported everywhere. A terrific battle is in progress along the banks of the Muln river. The losses on both sides are very heavy. The Russians, it is stated are marching upon Thorn, with the right wing 10 miles inside the Prussian border.

Berlin, Jan. 22.—The defeat of the French forces which attempted to break through the German lines East of Saint Mihiel was complete, according to a war office official statement. It is also announced that the French essayed an assault upon the army of the Crown Prince at Verdun but were thrown back upon their own defenses. The artillery fighting continues at Pont-a-Moussen. Referring to the situation the Alsace statement declares the French forces abandoned their positions in the hills at Hartmannswiller.

Wortman is Arraigned.
Henry Wortman, charged with wife desertion was arraigned before Judge Knowles this morning and given until Monday morning at 10 o'clock to enter a plea to the charge. Wortman was placed under a bond of \$500 to insure his appearance in court at that time.

"Y" Membership for Birthday
Robert Miller is perhaps the first boy in this city to receive a membership in the Y. M. C. A. for a birthday present, if not the first paid up member of the association in this city. The membership was a present from his uncle, Wm. Miller.

EX-SEC. KNOX'S SON AND WIFE HAVE HAD TROUBLE



Mrs. May G. Knox, wife of Philander C. Knox, Jr., the shopgirl who surprised the family of the former secretary of state and others when she married the young son four years ago, left her home and went to New York, where there were reports that she would sue her husband. However, her lawyer said that she did not contemplate legal action. He did not know the cause of the disagreement, but was certain it would not get into the courts. Their home for some time has been at Charleston, West Va. Previous to their marriage, four years ago, Mrs. Knox, who was Mrs. May G. Boller, had been a salesgirl in a department store in Providence; R. I. Knox is twenty-six years old.

and has been employed by a newspaper at Charleston. According to the statement of friends of Mrs. Knox she and her husband made their home for some time with his parents and though treated most kindly by them, she was annoyed because he did not make provision for a home of their own.

DRAYMAN BUCK HAS CLOSE CALL

LOSES HORSE AND WAGON WHEN LIGHT ENGINE HITS

Mr. Buck Suffers from Injuries About Head and Back.

E. F. Buck is suffering from a badly bruised head and one of his team of horses is dead and his express wagon converted into a hopeless wreck as the result of a collision with a light engine at the Cherry street crossing just after the noon hour.

Mr. Buck, who is in the express and dray business, had just hitched up after dinner to go after baggage on the North side of the track. According to his story he was driving along Cherry street and was almost upon the track when he noticed the engine which was almost upon him then. The noise of his wagon on the frozen ground had drowned out the noise of the approaching engine. He had just seen the engine bearing down on him when the whistle shrieked a warning, scaring his team which became uncontrollable and plunged across the track just in front of the speeding engine, which struck the side of the wagon throwing Mr. Buck out on his head and dragging the wagon and horses more than a hundred feet down the track where they were thrown to the side of the right of way.

The engine was not stopped until it had proceeded down the track some distance farther, indicating that it must have been running at a high rate of speed.

When Mr. Buck was able to pick himself up after being thrown out onto the frozen ground he found his horses struggling in the tangled harness and a further examination revealed the fact that the right leg of one of the animals had been broken. Dr. Charlton, a veterinarian, who was called to the scene, pronounced the animal beyond help and he was shot to end the suffering. Mr. Buck, this afternoon, was too bewildered by the shock of the accident to state what action he would take. He was suffering considerably from a pain in his back besides the bruises on his head. City commissioner John Gardiner was in charge of the light engine which struck the wagon.

Mr. Patten Goes to Pendleton.

H. C. Patten went to Pendleton this morning expecting to locate there temporarily at least with a position in the railroad offices.

OLD BOX OF BONES FOUND UNDER TREE

MYSTERY, PERHAPS CRIME OF LONG AGO, DUG UP YESTERDAY.

EXCAVATORS FIND BOX WITH UNCANNY CONTENTS

Workmen Ponder of What May Have Been the Hidden Secret.

An oblong wooden box and bones—And the mystery deepens! Excavators working on the site of the new apartment house to be erected by Dr. G. T. Darland on Fourth street late yesterday afternoon unearthed what to all appearances was a child's coffin. Investigation further revealed the fact that the coffin contained bones. And then imagination conjured up many things that "might have been," mysteries of a bygone past, shades of a departed generation.

What symptoms of real mystery might the find not contain—a secret burial place perhaps for some unsolved crime of the years ago. For the little box with its mysterious contents was wrapped in the roots of a giant tree that had grown up over the sacred spot, showing that the box and its contents had long lain hidden from the eyes of a curious world.

And then the curtain arose, and one versed in the knowledge of bones

WHEAT LAND, STOCK AND FARM MACHINERY CHANGES OWNERSHIP

A triangular deal in land, farm implements and stock was completed a day or two ago when Guy Glen purchased 200 acres of wheat land owned by Mrs. Eva Andross of Portland, and leased by Fred Gaskil for several years. As a side issue to the sale of the land, Mr. Gaskil surrenders his lease on the Andross property, and has disposed of his farm machinery and stock and has been reimbursed for seeding and plowing for the 1915 crop. Mr. Glen bought most of the machinery on the place and most of the draft stock was sold to a Colorado firm. In addition to buying 200

HOUSE IS READY NOW TO TACKLE NEW SUBJECTS

TWENTY-ONE BILLS DISPOSED OF BY HOUSE—SENATE ACCOMPLISHES LITTLE.

WOULD MAKE FISH INDUSTRY REALLY SELF-SUPPORTING

Bill to Double License Fees on Salmon Canneries Passes House Unanimously—Senate Adjourned Until Monday—Attend Thompson Funeral in Body this Afternoon.

Salem, Jan. 22.—The House today unanimously passed the bill doubling the license fees imposed upon Salmon canneries in this state with the idea of making the commercial fish industry self-supporting. The bill proposes to adjust the fees so that no state appropriations will be needed to maintain the fisheries department.

Twenty-one bills have been disposed of by the House to date so that when the next subjects come up they will be ready for passage or rejection.

The Senate accomplished but little at this morning's session, and adjourned until Monday. They will attend the Thompson funeral in a body this afternoon.

Taft and Parker at State Bar Meet.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 22.—With an ex-president and an ex-candidate for president of the United States present, the New York State Bar Association went into session today. Former president Taft will speak tonight on "State Constitutions." Former Judge Alton B. Parker will deliver the address of the President of the Association. Other speakers on the program are Judge Morgan J. O'Brien, New York; Morris R. Cohen, Professor of Philosophy at the College of the City of New York and Carlos C. Alden, Dean of the Buffalo Law School. The principal subject for discussion during the meeting is "Should the Executive and Judiciary Articles of the Constitution be Revised, and, if so, How?" After the formal presentation of reports, the meeting will adjourn tomorrow night with a banquet at the Iroquois hotel.

Zoe Bragg Will Teach School.

A telegram received this morning by Postmaster E. E. Bragg from his daughter, Miss Zoe, who with Mrs. Bragg, has been spending the winter with friends at Santa Anna, California, states that she will begin teaching school at Redlands, California, on Monday. Miss Bragg states that her health is considerably improved and that she feels fully able to take up the work in the schools.

Cove Couple Wed.

Justice A. C. Williams officiated yesterday at 1:00 o'clock at a wedding ceremony in which Oren Lovan and Miss Bessie Maud Stepp, of Cove, were the principals. The ceremony took place at the home of the groom's twin brother, Omer Lovan, 1804 Washington avenue.

shattered a dream of a real sure 'nough mystery story and discovered that the bones were not human, but canine, the remains, perhaps of some beloved pet that had been given a decent burial by loving hands, to rest in peace through many years until unceremoniously disturbed by man's aggressive progressiveness.

And thus endeth the mystery and any chance for a mystery story!

ORIENTAL CLUB HAS ELABORATE OPENING

CHINESE HOSPITALITY RUNS AMUCK IN HONOR OF AMERICAN GUESTS.

GUESTS LAVISHLY DINED AND WINED BY THE CLUB

Oriental Young Men's Club of La Grande Formally Opened.

Chinese hospitality effrveced copiously last night when the officers and members of the Oriental Young Men's club, (incorporated), quartered in the Fourth street Chinese colony, entertained several business and professional men and their wives at an elaborate dinner at the new club rooms.

Toy Young, president of the club which last night was formally opened, was master of ceremonies and sat at the head of the table, also presiding at after-dinner toasts given to and for the Chinese young men who are to utilize the institution.

Around a table loaded with both oriental and occidental delicacies, the guests were dined lavishly and wined equally as generously.

Among those who spoke congratulatory to the new club, and voiced appreciation of the Chinese hospitality were Judge T. H. Crawford, Attorney Jerry P. Ruak, T. J. Scroggin, F. L. Meyers, J. A. Russell, president of the city, Frank Phy, Municipal Judge Robert Eaken, P. A. Foley and others.

Lillian and Violet Young, sweet-voiced daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Toy Young, sang several songs between toasts much to the edification of the guests.

TODAY COLDEST OF THE YEAR

LAST NIGHT HOWEVER NOT A RECORD MAKER.

Cold Fog Adds to Discomforts of the Day During Daylight.

CLIMATIC DATA.

Climatic data, based on readings for 24 hours ending last night at 6 o'clock:
Maximum, 30; Minimum, 22;
Temperature at 12:30 today, 23.

ROLLERS SQUEEZE ARM.

Planing Mill Employee Injured By Rollers Painfully.

Perry, Jan. 22.—(Special)—Zack Wiseman, an employe in the Grande Ronde Lumber Co. planer, in some unknown way came in contact with the rollers and was seriously injured this morning. His left hand was gripped by the crushing steel and only by miraculous resistance was he able to worm the member to the edge of the roller where the painful imprisonment ceased. He was rushed to the Grande Ronde hospital for surgical treatment and reports from there indicate he will not lose the arm, but that recovery will likely be complete. His escape was fortunate.

Still Likes the Golden West.

F. E. Oxner, who left in December with his family for a visit with his parents in New York returned this morning after a month spent in his old home. Mr. Oxner states that better weather could not have been handed out to him than he found in the east, and that he enjoyed his visit immensely, but he prefers to live in the West where people do things. Mrs. Oxner and the children stopped off for a few days visit with friends in Spokane and will return to La Grande in a few days.

Island Pastor in City.

Rev. Sittler was a visitor in the city from Island City this morning.

LOCAL YOUTH ON ILL-FATED CRUISER SAFE

EXPLOSION ON THE SAN DIEGO CLAIMS FOUR MEMBERS OF CRUISER'S CREW.

M. A. FAULK IS NOT AMONG THE INJURED

Low Water Leads to Explosion of the Cruiser San Diego Off West Coast of Mexico—Member of Petty Crew in La Grande Boy Recently Home on a Furlough—Cruiser Decks.

LOCAL MAN ON THE SAN DIEGO.

M. A. Faulk, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Faulk of this city, is a member of the San Diego crew, as sergeant at arms. That he escaped injury is apparent, his name not appearing on the injured or dead list. The San Diego was formerly the California. Mr. Faulk was recently in La Grande on furlough.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Four were killed and nine injured by an explosion aboard the cruiser San Diego, off the West coast of Mexico last night, according to a dispatch from Admiral Howard to the navy department.

Lower water in the boiler tube is said to have caused the accident.

The crew were all second class firemen, as follows:
WILLIAM F. ELLIOTT,
AMBUS L. HARDEE,
CLIFFORD A. WESTERN,
OSCAR J. WYATT.

The seriously injured were:
R. V. GLIDDEN, second class fireman.
WILLIAM H. MILLER, second class fireman.
BENJAMIN TUCKER, second class fireman.

The less seriously injured were:
GEORGE OHM, water tender.
DAREL VARNADO, second class fireman.

CHARLES W. PETERSON, second class fireman.
EMEUAL S. SNAPPI, seaman.
PATRICK A. MERRIMAN, coal passer.

Cruiser Reaches Port.
San Diego, Jan. 22.—The cruiser San Diego is safe at Guaymas, Mexico, according to naval officials.

NEW SYRUP SELLING.

Solution of By-product's Seen in New Cleaver Apple Syrup.

"Cleaver's Apple Syrup" is now a reality, a commodity, an adjunct to the hotcakes for breakfast in La Grande.

After elaborate experimenting George Cleaver of Imbler has produced the goods. The syrup, which has had extensive mention in the past carries a delicious flavor, will not deteriorate and is palatable beyond description.

Today the manufacturer has closed contracts for its sale in La Grande and all grocery stores will handle it. Mr. Cleaver is very anxious for the people of his home town to try the new product and does not hesitate to guarantee absolutely satisfaction or money refunded. The home of the syrup factory for the present at least will be Imbler.

"Like all other things made in the Grande Ronde valley it's the best," said Mr. Cleaver. And so far no one has contradicted his statement, but on the other hand there are many who will add their testimony to the merits of the Cleaver Apple Syrup. Commercial club leaders are backing the business because it will apparently be the beginning of the solution of the fruit by-product question in this valley.

HOMESTEADS, NOT TOWNSHIPS.

Wrong Impression Created by Word-ing of Land Opening Story.

A mistaken impression was permitted to enter into the story of the opening to settlement of the overlapping lands in Wallawa county yesterday when the word "township" was inserted instead of "homestead." The land in question covers some nine sections in Wallawa county, who have a priority right in the matter of filing applications for homesteads on the land.