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FRENCH KEEP UP A TERRIFIC BAYONET FIGHT

CONTINUE TO FACE TERRIBLE RAKING BY GERMAN MACHINE GUNS ON SLOPES.

VIGOROUS FIGHTING AT MANY SECTIONS

Battle in the East has slackened except at few scattered points along the San-Bombardment Against Commerce on Sea Continues Unabated, Another Bark Going Down Today.

Paris, April 10.—Struggling up the Combres heights in the face of a withering fire from the German guns, French continued the fierce attacks today upon the positions of the enemy despite a terrible toll paid. Reports indicate French are pressing to advantage the ground gained in the capture of Eparges Saturday. Germans are holding their positions on top of the plateau and machine guns are raking the approaches with deadly effect.

Despite the rain of death pouring upon the French are delivering daring bayonet charges up the slopes and slowly fighting their way to the top of the heights.

In the Ailly woods the attack is being directed against the Southern side of the German wedge equally violent. It is believed one object of the terrific attack being made by the French in this region is to force the Germans to lift the pressure exerted upon the allied lines in the Champagne region, Alsace and along the sea coast. Prospects are bright with vigorous fighting breaking out in so many widely separated points, general engagements will be in progress along the entire western front shortly.

New York, April 10.—A story of a chase and escape from a German submarine was brought by the crew of the steamer Hungarian Prince from Newcastle. While off Beachy Head, England, a submarine appeared. For several miles the German raider pounded through the waves in pursuit of the Hungarian Prince. Full speed was crowded on the steamer as she fled in a zigzag course before the submarine. She was unable to launch a torpedo, owing to the heavy seas, and finally abandoned the chase.

Violent Attacks Continue. Berlin, April 10.—With French directing vicious attacks along the St. Mihiel-Etain line, the great battle between the Meuse and Moselle rivers continues with "unflinching violence," the war office announced. Between the Meuse and the Orne rivers the enemy is suffering severe defeats, it is stated. The attacks between St. Mihiel and Pont-A-Mousson where the French suffered enormous losses, is no less violent.

Mountain Struggle Wanes.

Petrograd, April 10.—After a fortnight of the most desperate fighting in the history of warfare, official dispatches indicate a lull in the battle between Russian and Austrian forces in the Carpathians, except in the San river sections. Utterly exhausted, the Austrians are deemed to have practically ceased resistance on the heights and in the main passes of the mountains until the outcome of the fighting along the San is determined. Three great Slav forces are clashing with Austrians, supported by Germans, on the line 15 miles west of the railway running through Uzsook. Russians are endeavoring to capture the railways leading into Hungary.

Bark Run Down. London, April 10.—The French bark Chateaubrian, bound for New York from London, was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine off the Isle of Wight, Thursday. The crew was kept in open boats for 24 hours before being picked up.

CLIMATIC DATA.
Climatic data, based on readings for 24 hours ending last night at 6 o'clock:
Maximum 66; Minimum 29.
Temperature at 12:30 today, 77.

OREGON CONCERN DIVORCED

S. P. S. Must Separate From Concern Doing Business on Columbia River

Washington, April 10.—The Interstate Commerce commission has denied the plea of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway for an extension of ownership to The Dalles, Portland & Astoria Navigation company.

The company found that the latter company "Does and may" compete with the former, and the commission ordered the two institutions divorced at once.

Common-law Wife Shot.

Los Angeles, April 10.—James Murray, aged 35, and a prominent shoemaker of this city today shot and killed Agnes Murray, said to be his common law wife, and then suicided.

Birth Record.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. C. W. Cook, of Connerdale, an eight-pound girl. Mother and daughter doing well.

FISHING LAW IS VIOLATED

NEW DEPUTY OFFICIATES FOR FIRST TIME.

Arrest Results in Fine of \$25.00 Being Affixed.

The first arrest for violation of the fishing license law since former deputy Leffel was let out of service, occurred yesterday afternoon and punishment to the extent of \$25.00 was inflicted today by Justice A. C. Williams. Frank Flannery was apprehended yesterday fishing without a license and it cost him the sum stated. John Walden, recently named deputy game warden for this county, made the arrest as his first official act since gaining the appointment by Governor Withycombe.

Catching fish less than six inches long, and fishing without license, calls for a minimum of \$25.00 fine and generally revocation of the license under the former instance.

DEAN ADDRESSES STUDENTS

Laments Fact That 2000 Oregonians Attend Sister States' Schools.

Dr. John Straub, dean of the University of Oregon, who has been connected with the institution for 37 years, addressed the high school yesterday afternoon. Dean Straub says there are 800 Oregon boys and girls attending colleges away from their state, and he is trying to arouse a spirit of loyalty to Oregon colleges. His address, "The Dollar Side of an Education," was a strong appeal for efficiency and thorough preparation before entering life's work. The address was well received as was shown by frequent applause. Dean Straub says the university is now growing rapidly and in five years will have 2000 students on the campus.

Dr. Straub would like to meet all the old and recent students of the U. of O. at the Y. M. C. A. parlors for an hour's social interview and renewal of acquaintance of "Auld Lang Syne." Also any other old friends at about 8 p. m. Parents are especially invited.

Pasco Awaits Celebration.

That a great celebration will be carried out in Pasco, Kennewick and other Washington cities on the Columbia and Snake rivers, in commemoration of the opening of the Celilo canal, is the word brought back from Pasco by Ray W. Logan who has been there on a business trip. The city of Pasco has grown to great proportions compared to what it was a few years ago, wide paved streets, a splendid high school and large buildings with good business, being the condition now.

STANFORD SWEEPS ESTUARY IN TWO EVENTS--WASHINGTON 2ND

Oakland, April 10.—Stanford university eight swept the waters in the three-cornered regatta on the estuary today. The Cardinal crew dashed over the line victorious in both the varsity and freshman eight-oared races. Washington university finished second and California third.

The official time for the varsity was Stanford 15; 37; 4-5; Washington 15; 53 1-5; California 16; 42 1-5. Thousands witnessed the contest.

The freshman time was: Stanford 11; 1 1-5; Washington 11; 16 3-5; California 11; 5; 1-5.

HOBOS GATHER IN LARGE DROVES

Hoboes are as thick as flies. Last night a band of 50 or more were hanging about the depot waiting chances to get out of town. This morning when No. 18, the fast morning east-bound train pulled out, it was loaded to the rim, as it were, with free-riders, and the train had to be stopped before it got out of the yards. The unloading of hoboes resembled a complete removal of passengers from the cushions; in fact there were as many under the seats as there were on them, approximately. After the rods and blinds had been cleared, the train proceeded on its way again.

Old-time tramps give La Grande a wide berth as a rule, because of the readiness with which they can get on the street gang, but the congregation of hoboes last night was one of unusual volume and apparently most of them jobless men, as they did not resemble in appearance the average tramp.

The migration is equally heavy toward the west.

CARR BUYS STORE.

Adcock & Fritts Sell Out to Former Furniture Dealer.

J. J. Carr is the purchaser of the Adcock & Fritts stock of furniture. This announcement was made today by the owners of the store.

Inventory is being taken and Mr. Carr will in a short time make announcement relative to his intentions of conducting the business.

Mr. Fritts, a member of the old firm, has been suffering with his eyes for some time and he will probably soon undergo special treatment in the hope that his eyesight may be fully restored. He has already sustained one operation. Mr. Adcock contemplates moving to a ranch near La Grande.

Hotel Arrivals Today.

Sommer—Gladys Van Housen, Island City; C. J. Schroeder and wife, Thornton, Ia.; H. B. Rowland, Baltimore; I. J. Candell, St. Louis; Verna Bernie, Boise; Margaret Williams, New York; J. Francis Storey, Spokane.

Foley—R. C. Ingram, Cove; Ada Fleming, Chicago; S. Hays, Nampa; B. P. Elmer, Portland; H. S. Sommer, J. J. Brugger, Elgin; I. W. Colom, Keokuk; L. J. Thompson, Portland; Edna Candish, Helen Candish, Ida Wilbur, E. J. Wilbur, Russel Wilbur, all of Pendleton.

J. G. Johnson Dead.

The funeral of J. G. Johnson, who died this morning at his home on East Adams, will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Bohnenkamp chapel on Spring street.

Mr. Johnson was an early settler in La Grande. He was 68 years old and his relatives reside in Sweden.

F. P. ROUNDS DEAD.

Old-time Railroad Employee at Pendleton Passes Away.

Word was received in railroad circles this morning of the death of F. P. Rounds, for many years foreman of the O.-W. yards and mechanics at Pendleton. He was pensioned about a year ago. He has been ill for some little time.

The funeral will be held at Pendleton Monday the 12th at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

TITLED ITALIAN WINS FAVOR



MARCHIONESS TACOLI.

MARCHIONESS TACOLI, WIFE OF THE RECENTLY APPOINTED FIRST SECRETARY OF THE ITALIAN EMBASSY, HAS ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON, WHERE SHE IS ALREADY POPULAR IN THE DIPLOMATIC SOCIAL CIRCLES.

MARCH PERMIT LIST IS LARGE

NEARLY THIRTEEN THOUSAND SPENT BY BUILDERS.

Month's Activities Compares Favorably With March, 1914.

March was a month of building on a scale nearly up to last year's month of March. Practically \$13,000 was expended by the property owners of La Grande during the month recently ended, and the building permits show a variety of enterprises in the building line. The complete list of permits for the month is:

Rose Harris, brick store, Fir \$1800.00
Franklin Zurbrick, frame dwelling, N Ave. 2600.00
E. S. Brazel, frame dwelling U Ave. 500.00
Ben Shores, frame garage, Penn. Ave. 300.00
Hugh McCall, repairs dwelling, Adams 300.00
H. E. Roskamp, frame dwelling, Adams 500.00
Mrs. Kate Hanley, repair frame dwellings, Adams 1500.00
Julius Roesch, brick store Jefferson 300.00
Andy Anderson, repair dwelling, Cedar 500.00
W. A. Daniels, repair dwelling, Maple 125.00
W. H. Bohnenkamp, repair dwelling, Cherry 200.00
Geo. Lyman, frame dwelling, Ash 2000.00
E. W. Eastman, repair dwelling, Fourth 2300.00
Total for March \$12,925.00
Total for March, 1914 \$17,075.00

OFF FOR HARNEY.

W. B. Sargent Expects to Take Party of Homeseekers on Trip.

W. B. Sargent will leave tomorrow morning with an excursion party comprising a number of Union county people, for Harney county where those interested will inspect the large domain that has lately been thrown on the market.

At Ontario the party from here will be joined by people from the east. This is the second excursion into the

SAFETY FIRST DISCIPLES SEE DIRTY ALLEYS

FAULT FOUND WITH BAKER AND LA GRANDE PROPERTY OWNERS.

MONTHLY SESSION GOES OVER CLEANUP QUESTION

Freely Stated that Cities Care Less for Conditions About Railroad Tracks than in the Residence Sections—Fifty Men Representing all Lines of Railroad in Session Today.

Complaint at the carelessness alleged to be prevalent at Baker and La Grande in regard to removal of unsightly debris, maintenance of alleys and general absence of neatness of property close to railroad tracks, was freely expressed today at the monthly meeting of representatives from every branch of railroad on the second division of the O.-W. when the monthly Safety First session was called to order in the O.-W. club house this morning. Delegates were present from all points between Huntington and Umatilla, and pretty much the same expression came from all delegates—the cities are careless of the appearance of property abutting the O.-W. right of way. The annual Spring clean-up of the company's road was reported to be complete but the cities have not done their part. Representatives who come from Baker an dpoints east, pointed with considerable dissatisfaction to what they claim is utter disregard for the appearances of Baker in the vicinity of the railroad track. The consensus of opinion was that the cities care less for the appearance of that part of the districts nearest the railroad tracks than they do for the sections farther remote.

Insofar as La Grande is concerned, the delegates pointed to tin cans, discarded beds, mattresses and general filth that they claimed could be seen readily from observation trains approaching the La Grande station.

It was felt that when La Grande's clean-up day commences this month the railroad track district should be the beginning of the service.

One delegate said that the Baker people were fully as derelict in their duty as La Grande, and it was pointed out that the La Grande civic committee has already drafted plans for an early clean-up in this city of alleys and streets in general, and this announcement was received with considerable satisfaction. Passengers on observation cars see only small sections of alleys through which they pass, it was pointed out, and for that reason the Safety First department of the O.-W. is today at its meeting laying stress on clean-up of property abutting the right of way.

The total attendance present today is 50. Other matters of importance to the service came up for consideration.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY.

Bishop Paddock Will Make Official Visit Tomorrow Night.

Bishop Paddock will make his annual official visitation to St. Peter's church on Sunday at 7:30 p. m. He will preach at this service and confirm a class. Everybody is welcome to attend. He arrived today and went to Cove this afternoon.

The hour of evening service at St. Peter's church is now changed to 7:30.

MAN WHO CAME HERE IN 1863 AS BABY OF 2 YEARS, DEAD

E. S. Wilbur, prominent stock rancher at Duncan, died yesterday in Pendleton after a six months' illness, and was buried today in La Grande. He came to La Grande in 1863 when his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. Wilbur arrived in the Grande Ronde valley with ox team. The deceased was born near Pike's Peak, Colo., and the parents started west soon afterwards. The parents lived in this val-

ley for many years, and the young man grew to manhood in this section of the state. About 17 years ago he moved to Umatilla county and has since prospered as a stockman. His father survives, and was at the funeral today noon. Other relatives are his wife, son Russell aged 16, daughter Rae aged 7, and a sister, Mrs. E. M. Candish.