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## GERMANS HAMMER VERDUN

### OFFENSIVE ON THE SOMME AT CRUCIAL STAGE

IGNORING DANGERS OF A DEFEAT TO THE NORTH GERMANS POUND HARD

### GERMANS POUR DIVISIONS INTO STRATEGIC SECTOR

Should English Be Halted Southeast of Contalmaison, Advance of Entire Offensive Would Be Halted—New Foundlanders Distinguish Themselves in Action.

Paris, July 13.—Dense German masses are storming approaches to Fort Souville for the seventh great assault on Verdun since the battle started, 146 days ago. The violence of yesterday's attacks furnish unmistakable evidence German is determined to continue the Verdun attack regardless of critical position at other fronts. Germans bombarded violently throughout the night, but no infantry attacks. Germans spent 18 days artillery preparation for the present effort.

London, July 13.—Artillery fire occurred at several sections of the British front last night. The general situation is unchanged. Gen. Haig has reported this afternoon. West of Ypres the Germans attempted to raid, but were repulsed.

The second phase of the British offensive is approaching a crisis north-east of Albert, where the English are striving to advance two miles to Heights Martinpuch. Germans have thrown two army corps into action there, counter attacking savagely—particularly southeast of Contalmaison, where German successes would halt the entire British advance.

British correspondents report English losses are severe only where close fighting is under way for possession of villages. German correspondents, admitting the powerful offensive, declare the attacker's losses are comparable only to Verdun.

No Canadian, or Austrian troops participated in the Somme offensive. New Foundlanders, however, distinguished themselves.

Eastern front operations east of Kovel have reached a temporary lull. Offensive Will Continue.

London, July 13.—Premier, Asquith, announcing suspension of the August bank holidays, revealed determination of the allies to continue the Somme offensive for months to achieve a final victory.

### Ohio Guardsmen Own Observation Balloon

Akron, O., July 13.—The Ohio National Guard today is the only state militia organization equipped with an observation balloon ready for Mexican service. The artillery contingent, commanded by Major Harold M. Bush, has been presented a \$100,000 balloon, the only one of its kind in the United States, for observation purposes. The war department has ordered several like it for the regular army. The balloon, presented by an Ohio rubber company, is handled by Battery B.

### BUTTON SALE OPENS SATURDAY

Commencing next Saturday, a bevy of pretty girls start out to sell Speed 'Em Up buttons at 25 cents each, the proceeds of which will go to meet the expense of buying toy balloons, redfire and decorations with which to celebrate July 22. Merchants have volunteered their responsibility for the dance which will be held on the street. Committeemen in charge of finances are appealing to every mother's son and daughter in La Grande to buy a pin that the fund may be swelled to proper proportions. Further announcements concerning the redfire celebration will be made later. Right now, get ready for the girls with buttons.

### Tart and Penny Roll Doomed

London, July 13.—The famous British penny roll and tart are doomed. In the interest of good white bread and war economy the Amalgamated Union of Operative Bakers has decided to abandon gastronomic furbelows despite the fact that tarts and penny rolls have become a national institution.

### Mr. Morelock Improving

Friends of E. B. Morelock, who went to Portland recently and who is now under the care of Dr. Rocky, will be pleased to know that he is improving every day. He has passed the stage of an operation and unless complications unforeseen develop he will soon be able to return home.

## SHARK HUNT NOW EXCITING

### MAN EATER BELIEVED TO BE TRAPPED

Steel Net Shuts Off Escape—Riflemen Line Banks

Matawan, N. J., July 13.—The shark which killed a man and a boy at Matawan creek yesterday mangled a third boy, is believed to have been trapped in the creek. A member of a huge party hunting the man-eater reported seeing a shark's fin near the spot where bathers were attacked yesterday. Two charges of dynamite were dropped immediately. Men armed with rifles lined the banks of the creek to shoot the monster if it was blown to the surface. A steel net has been stretched over the mouth of the creek.

### 80 U-BOATS BUILDING.

Danish Report Declares 20 Will Be Ready in August.

Copenhagen, July 13.—German newspapers assert that 80 submarines of the Deutschland class are under construction and 20 will be completed in August.

New York, July 13.—The Bremen, a second submersible merchantman, will enter New York within two weeks it is reported. The Bremen is larger than the Deutschland. The submarine Amerika follows her.

### Walla Walla Soldiers' Families to Receive Aid.

Walla Walla, Wash., July 11.—The military committee of the Commercial club will meet today to begin the work of distributing the funds secured in Saturday's campaign for the relief of families dependent on members of company K, national guard of Washington, now on the Mexican border. The campaign netted \$744 in cash, and pledges of about \$300 a month for future use. The county is expected to add to the fund so that \$500 a month can be given to 18 or 20 families.

## GEN. TREVINO

### ALLY OF VILLA RUMORS CLAIM

AMMUNITION SUPPLIED THE BANDIT CHIEFTAIN BY CARRANZA LEADER

### SUCCESSOR TO HEAD OF MEXICANS JAILED

Troubles Develop in De Facto Ranks Where Leader of Northern Forces Has Been Discovered Abetting Cause of Bandit Chief—Pershing Pleased.

El Paso, July 13.—Information that General Trevino furnished Villa with munitions have cast doubt of Trevino's reports of his attacks upon Villistas operating at Parral. Telegraphic communication was cut south of Chihuahua last night, but Carranza agents furnished American officials with detailed charges of the Trevino plot to assist the rebel movement in northern Mexico, for the ultimate purpose of replacing Villa. This, with the Carrizal attack—nearly precipitating war—is reported to have caused Gen. Obregon's orders replacing Trevino with Enriquez. Rumors that Enriquez is jailed or executed are not confirmed. Carranza agents suspect significance of Trevino's concentration of all loyal troops in Chihuahua City since receiving word of his transfer to Monterrey. Even such portions of his army as were mobilized to check Pershing movements are now in Chihuahua City. Carranza's two nephews have gone to Mexico City today to make personal report of Trevino's actions. Chihuahua arrivals declared Trevino has imprisoned Generals Salazar and Cravio, former Huertistas.

### Pershing Thinks Trouble Is Over

Washington, July 13.—Gen. Pershing believes trouble between the United States and Mexico is settled. His report to the war department today said: "Mexicans in this vicinity along the Mexican railroad are very friendly toward Americans the past few days."

### DEFENDANT RELEASED.

Harsh Scolding Administered All Concerned in Fight.

After four or five families involved in the Coverdale fight on the B. M. Rogers lawn on the North Side two days ago had aired their grievances before Municipal Judge Eakin last evening, the judge dismissed the case but not until he had given a vigorous scolding to all concerned. The court declared each return to her own domicile and take mighty good care she was not brought up again on similar charges before him.

### ANTI-TIPPING LAW SOUGHT.

Commercial Travelers Ask Legislation to "Alleviate Tipping Evil."

Philadelphia, July 13.—"Bellhops" and hotel employees are no longer on friendly terms with the commercial travelers of Pennsylvania. The estrangement occurred when the grand council of Pennsylvania of the Order of Commercial Travelers of America adopted resolutions calling upon the State Legislature to pass a law to "alleviate the tipping evil."

### WILSON PICTURES IDEALS.

Washington, July 13.—Speaking before the Citizenship convention, President Wilson today declared America intended to "be a spirit among nations of the world." He said America should be the finest example of objects and ideals which would promote standards for the world.

### 'MASTER MIND' SOUGHT BY POLICE IN SALEM MURDER MYSTERY



MARGARET WARD

Victim of murder mystery which has stirred Salem, Mass., more than anything of the kind that has happened since the old days of witchcraft. Ten persons already have been arrested in the mystery surrounding the death of Miss Margaret Ward of Peabody, Mass., and now another—a prominent physician—may be added to the list. Miss Ward, who was 27, left home several days ago supposedly to visit friends. Her relatives heard nothing further from her until an automobile containing four men drove up in front of the home of her brother-in-law, Police Sergeant C. A. R. Duffee of Salem. Her dead body was in the machine. Duffee arrested the four and two others who approached at that moment.

## JOHN HOOPER GETS 10 YEARS

### NOTORIOUS OREGON BANDIT MEETS WATERLOO.

Man Who Thrilled Oregon With Daring, Loses Fight.

Carthage Missouri, July 13.—John Austin Hooper, alias Wilbur Mason, convicted of second degree murder, was sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary shortly before midnight for killing Policeman Joplin. Hooper, known in the northwest as the most sensational highwayman in years, operated in Southern Oregon and in Wasco county. His escape from the Medford jail was spectacular.

### NEW LAW FIRM FORMS.

Andrew R. Marker Affiliates with F. S. Ivanhoe's Offices.

A new law firm has been born in La Grande. Andrew R. Marker, admitted to the Oregon bar in 1907 after his graduation from Williamette law school, has resigned his affiliations with the L. C. Smith garage and is now established with F. S. Ivanhoe as junior member of the new firm, known as Ivanhoe & Marker.

### SAWFILER IN CITY.

Resident of Famed Eugene Timber Belt Town Visits Friends.

H. C. Taylor, a sawfiler in the Wendling mill owned by the Booth-Kelly interests, is in La Grande today visiting his relative, Tom Potts, while on his way to Lostine. His mill affiliations are among some of the best timber of Oregon.

### FIVE BLOWN TO PIECES.

Lightning Strikes Chemical Works and Deaths Result. Buffalo, July 13.—Three men were blown to pieces and five others fatally injured in an explosion which partially wrecked plants of the Smet-Solvay Co. Lightning struck a shed filled with chemicals.

## GEO. PALMER HEADS BOARD

### Y. M. C. A. DIRECTORS IN ANNUAL SESSION.

Prominent Factor in Promotion of Y. M. C. A. Selected.

George Palmer, president of the George Palmer Lumber company, and an important factor in the promotion propoganda that resulted in the formation of the Y. M. C. A. here was last evening chosen president of the Y. M. C. A. board of directors. He has accepted the position. Mac Wood, retiring president declined to serve farther, and the board unanimously asked Mr. Palmer to take the post. With the promise of most wholehearted backing of the directors, whose purse has been open to the institution, Mr. Palmer will take hold of the reins. George T. Cochran is vice president; George W. Gilbert recording secretary, and A. A. Wenzel is treasurer. This election followed the selection by the members of five directors during a period of voting recently. Yearly reports were read and adopted, the receipts for the year having been \$4,800.

### NOTIFICATION DATE SET.

Hughes Will Receive Committee at Carnegie Hall July 31.

New York, July 13.—Mr. Hughes will be notified, formally of his nomination as the Republican presidential candidate July 31 at 8 p. m., in Carnegie hall, Senator Harding announced today following a conference with Hughes and Chairman Willcox.

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## RACE MEET MADE SURE

LA GRANDE AFFILIATES ITSELF WITH POWERFUL CIRCUIT IN ROCKIES.

### EARLY SEPTEMBER WILL SEE SPEEDY NAGS RACE

City Becomes Northern End of Now Famous Racing Circuit Which Has Attracted Remarkable String of Horses From a Half Dozen States.

La Grande last night tore down barriers that stood between her people and formal membership of the Intermountain Fair and Racing circuit, which has accumulated the greatest string of harness and running horses for a prolonged season that has ever been assembled in the Northwest. September 6-9 inclusive are the dates for the La Grande race meeting. It will have no connection with the county fair, being purely and solely a racing meet. At other points the association works in conjunction with county fairs but that will not be the case here.

For several months the Intermountain Fair and Racing circuit has been paving the way for what all horsemen pronounce the most remarkable racing season in the history of the Northwest. The ultimate results of the early campaign and organization is shown in the fact that 136 horses are entered.

The entry list, which is now complete, embraces the best horses in Montana, California, Utah, Idaho, Washington, Oregon and elsewhere. Any horseman will immediately recognize the truth of the boasts upon looking at the entry list appended hereto.

Many of the working details of the circuit have previously been enumerated for Observer readers. Joseph Waddell, recognized as the foremost racing man in the Northwest, is secretary of the circuit and Charles Zimer of Ogden is president; O. P. Henderson of Boise vice president.

La Grander Organize. At a meeting of horsemen held in La Grande last evening, the final preliminaries were closed. N. K. West, A. T. Hill, T. J. Scroggin, Fred J. Holmes, Bruce Dennis and Albert Hunter were named six directors who shall choose three more and all will later elect permanent officers.

Arrangements to put La Grande's track in shape were instituted. It has long since been recognized that the half mile course in this city is one of the fastest in the country, and with a little effort, it can be restored to its full efficiency.

### Means Big Gathering.

Merchants and citizens as a whole are wholeheartedly behind the movement. One hundred and thirty horses means an average of 17 entries to the race, whereas 16 entries will largely cover the big purse. Some may drop out but heavy forfeitures must follow such action and there will be little or no disposition to abandon the circuit which begins at Montpelier, goes to Rexburg, Blackfoot, La Grande, Baker, Ontario, Boise and Salt Lake in the order named.

It requires a small army of attaches, owners and drivers to handle a string of horses of this size. These will make their headquarters in La Grande while the races are on here, and the week of September 4th will be a busy pace.

### Week's Program Good.

Herewith is the program to be carried out at the La Grande meet:

Wednesday, September 6.	
2:14 pace	Purse \$400
2:17 trot	Purse \$400
Run, one-quarter mile	Purse \$100
Run, La Grande Derby, one-sixteenth miles	Purse \$200
Thursday, September 7.	
2:30 pace	Purse \$400
2:18 pace	Purse \$400
Run, four furlongs	Purse \$100
Run, six furlongs	Purse \$100
Friday, September 8.	
2:10 pace	Purse \$500
2:24 trot	Purse \$400
Run, three furlongs	Purse \$100
Run, five furlongs	Purse \$100
Saturday, September 9.	
2:25 pace	Purse \$400
2:14 trot	Purse \$500
Run, four furlongs	Purse \$100
Run, one mile	Purse \$100
Relay Race (Pony Express)	
Four horses; change horses every half mile; four days, two miles a day; 10 per cent entrance fee. Purse \$250.	
Entries for this race close Saturday before the meeting. Purse divided as	

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DIAGRAM OF TYPE OF GERMAN SUPER-SUBMARINE THAT CROSSED OCEAN.

