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Tests On Submarine Problem Promising

INVENTIONS CONSTRUCTED ON LARGE SCALE

DEPARTMENT DECLARES ONE OF TWO DEVICES WILL PROVE TO BE A "BIG THING"

SHIELDS FOR HULLS OF SHIPS UNSATISFACTORY

Board Is Considering Several Inventions by Hudson Maxim—Many Other Inventions Being Tested—Marconi Will Spend Much Time With Board—Italian Navy Sunk Thirteen Submarines This Month.

Washington, May 23.—(United Press)—Actual tests of several "exceptionally promising" devices to solve the submarine problem is being made, the navy department announced. Two inventions have undergone preliminary tests and are now being constructed on a large scale for use on ships.

Models were used for the first tests and the department then constructed devices on a larger scale for exhaustive tests. Department officials declared they are confident one device will be a "big thing." The naval consulting board is greatly encouraged. Devices with shields for ship hulls have proved unsatisfactory.

The board is considering several inventions by Hudson Maxim and naval officials announced that many other war inventions are being tested. It is learned Marconi, the wireless inventor and member of the Italian war commission, will spend much time in consultation with navy heads on the anti-submarine devices. It is stated significantly that the Italian navy sunk thirteen submarines this month.

Monument Erected On Lookout Mountain

Lookout Mountain, Tenn., May 23.—(United Press)—The new monument erected by the state of Ohio commemorating the bravery of her sons who fought in the famous battle that took place here Nov. 24, 1863, was formally dedicated today.

The monument, in the form of a granite column located just below the summit of the mountain, is nearly 125 feet high. Exercises were in charge of the Lookout Mountain memorial commission of Ohio, composed of soldiers of regiments which took part in the engagement. Members of the commission are Samuel H. Bolton, McComb, chairman; Charles W. Wheeler, Roseburg; Charles H. Grosvenor, Athens; Alfred E. May, Oberlin; Moses Hill, Morrow and Benjamin Emery, London.

Governor James M. Cox was the principal speaker at the dedication. He attended with members of his military staff, including Adjutant General George H. Wood. Eleven Ohio infantry regiments and one Ohio battery of light artillery fought in the battle. In the face of almost certain defeat, the Buckeye soldiers made their way up the mountain-side and finally were victorious. The names of each organization and the commanders will be inscribed on tablets at the base of the monument.

LULL AGAIN PREVAILS ON BRITISH LINE

Bombardment Is Unsuccessful In Dislodging The British Hold

London, May 23.—(United Press)—Another lull apparently prevails on the British front.

A heavy German bombardment was unsuccessful in trying to dislodge the British from their hold on the Hindenburg line. The British successfully raided a German position killing and imprisoning many.

American Vessel Sunk By Submarine

Paris, May 23.—(United Press)—An eight thousand ton American ship carrying a cargo for Switzerland was submerged in the Mediterranean was announced today. Name was unspecified but probably was seized by German ships.

JAMES H. HYDE APPOINTED ON COMMISSION

FORMERLY PROMINENT IN NEW YORK—MAKES AEROPLANE TRIP OVER THE FRENCH FRONT.

French Headquarters, May 23.—(United Press)—James Hazen Hyde, until 1908 prominent in New York business and social circles, was appointed a member of the French committee to install accommodations in France for American troops.

Hyde made an aeroplane trip over the French front. The Wheat Market. Chicago, May 23.—(United Press)—The wheat market: July—Open \$2.27, high, \$2.28, low, \$2.26, close \$2.27. September—Open \$2.04, high \$2.05, low \$2.01, close \$2.01.

Portland Market. Portland, May 23.—(United Press)—Club \$2.61; Bluestem \$2.03.

Pacific Coast League Standings. W. L. Pct. San Francisco 30 17 .638 Salt Lake 26 17 .605 Oakland 22 22 .500 Portland 20 23 .465 Los Angeles 18 26 .409 Vernon 18 29 .383

Yesterday's Results. At Los Angeles 0, Portland 3. At Salt Lake 2, Vernon 1. At San Francisco 4, Oakland 0.

FRENCH RENEW ATTACK AND WIN VALLEY

FRENCH GAIN ALL COMMANDING POINTS FROM PLATEAU OF VAUCLERC TO CALIFORNIA

Paris, May 23.—(United Press)—The French renewed their offensive and won complete domination of the Ailette valley. They captured three German trench lines east of Chevreux and made other advances. The French statement is that they successfully prosecuted the offensive in three "violent attacks." From the plateau of Vauclerc to California the French captured all commanding points.

GENERAL NIVELLE'S TROOPS FORESTALL MOVEMENT

Paris, May 23.—(United Press)—General Nivelle's new offensive which begun Sunday is still continuing and forestalled a gigantic German counter offensive.

The German prisoners revealed the enemy plans. Big forces of Germans were massed for advance with new guns and great stores of ammunition gathered when the French struck a sudden, unexpected blow and forced the Germans back and wrecked the German offensive scheme.

FOOD CONTROL BILL BEFORE BOTH HOUSES

BOTH BILLS PROVIDE A SURVEY OF ALL FOOD PRODUCTS—BILL TO STIMULATE PRODUCTION.

PRESENT EMERGENCY TO BE RELIEVED

The President Is Insistent in His Demands That Congress Add a Press Censorship Clause to the Espionage Bill—Gives House and Senate Conference Instructions.

Washington, May 23.—(United Press)—The administration's food control bill was introduced in both House and Senate today.

Both provide a survey of all food products. The bill is designed to "stimulate increased production of foodstuffs with a view of relieving the present emergency."

The President told the House and Senate conferees on the espionage bill that it is absolutely essential that congress pass a press censorship clause.

COUNT TISZA LOSES CABINET SUPPORT

FREQUENT FRICTION REPORTED IN CABINET DUE TO UNREST AND PROGRESS OF PEACE MOVEMENT.

Amsterdam, May 23.—(United Press)—Count Tisza's ministry has resigned, according to Budapest dispatches. It has been reported here frequently that there is a friction in Hungarian cabinet, due to unrest in Hungary and the progress of the peace movement.

The Weather. Portland, May 23.—(United Press)—The U. S. weather forecast, "cloudy, northwestern winds.

Many High School Students Win Exemptions From Examinations

The following exemptions from examinations that have been made during the last semester in the high school, have come through diligent study. The grades of each student reach 90 per cent or above. Each student has not been absent more than two and one half days during the semester and not tardy. After being absent more than the limited time a doctor's certificate of illness was necessary to keep up the pupil's good record. Following is the list of students in La Grande high school who were exempt from examinations in these studies:

Algebra I—Clara Courtney, Winifred Kennedy, Harley McDonald, Bessie Moran, DeLoris Pearson. Commercial Law—Lloyd Chandler, Alfred Johnson, Ella Mulenberg, Ralph Poston, Genevieve Stoddard, Reed Taylor. Biology—Lloyd Chandler, Elmer Moon, Helen Owsley, Park Taylor, Warren Thompson. Geometry I and 2nd Semester—Lorna Coolidge. Algebra I and 2nd Semester—Stephen Blore, Bernice Brown, Reba Hopper, Adolph Kammerer, Lila Malory, Bessie Walker, Joy Weigel. Physics—Nellie Davis, Wythel Wade. Chemistry—Dewey Glaze. General Science—Annie Firkins, Thomas Hill, Adolph Kammerer, Reed Taylor, Margaret Taylor, Faye McKinnis, Maude Waller. English 2—Harvey Carter, Annie Firkins, Frances Pierson, Zilpha Allen, Lloyd Chandler, Theodore George, Elsie Nash. English I—Marcella Berry, Josephine Evans, Bessie Moran, DeLoris Pearson. Algebra I—Marcella Berry, Esther Byng, Thelma Oesterling, Robt. Rush, Amy Miller. Geometry 2—Edith Darland. Civics—Leta Kiddle, Amy Miller, Ralph Poston, Alfred Johnson, Genevieve Stoddard, Wythel Wade, Reed Taylor, Lena Stein. History 2—Lorna Coolidge, Helen Poston, Carolyn Palmer. History 1—Oweda Lilly, Bessie Walker. English I 1st Semester—Robert Rush. English I 2nd Semester—Bessie Walker, Lila Mallory. German I 2nd Semester—Jessie Ownby, Miriam Wheatley, Lena Stein. German 2—Ralph Poston, Anna Lottes. English 2—Lorna Coolidge, Helen Sims, Carolyn Palmer. English 3—Estella Graybill, Nellie Davis, Icie Bryant, Edith Darland, Dewey Glaze, Imogene Orton, Lena Stein. Shorthand—Dewey Glaze, Frank Davis, Alfred Owsley, Eleanor Williamson, Alma Long. 9 Latin—Dewey Glaze, Bessie Walker. Caesar A—Carolyn Palmer, Imogene Orton, Wythel Wade, Marguerite Winters. Caesar B—Lorna Coolidge, Zilpha Allen, Harvey Carter, Ralph Poston. Cicero—Icie Bryant, Imogene Orton. Vergil—Leta Kiddle, Amy Miller, Gertrude Swalberg, Florence Kim-mell.

WILSON GIVES HIS IDEAS ON AIM OF ALLIES

INTERPRETATION OF PRESIDENT'S LETTER SHOWS HE IS FIGHTING ONLY AUTOCRACY

REAFFIRMED HIS PREVIOUS UTTERANCES

Says United States Doesn't Seek Monetary Indemnities Nor Additional Land and Desires Nothing for Itself from the War—Letter May Have Great Weight in Petrograd.

Washington, May 23.—(United Press)—The United States was the first nation responding to Russia's request on the war aims of the allies. The interpretation placed today on President Wilson's letter to Representative Hadin, is that the United States is fighting German autocracy, not the German people. The President reaffirmed previous utterances that the United States doesn't seek monetary indemnities, nor additional land and desires nothing for itself from the war.

Those considering the letter as a message to the Russians said it would have great weight in Petrograd.

War Wont Stop Road Plan In Michigan

Saginaw, Mich., May 23.—(United Press)—War won't halt Michigan's campaign for better roads. With state appropriations available as usual, plans were laid here today at the annual meeting of the State Good Roads association to continue the program of highway construction and improvement on a systematic basis. Good roads enthusiasts from all sections of the state attended the convention. Officials of the association estimated that \$1,500,000 would be spent on good roads in Michigan during 1917.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hal Bohnenkamp a boy today.

A new box factory at North Bend will start this week, employing 75 men and boys.

Mayor Of Astoria Is Convicted For Assault

Astoria, Ore., May 23.—(United Press)—Mayor Harley, of Astoria, was convicted this morning of an assault charge in the justice court and fined twenty dollars. He was fined forty dollars but a short time ago following a conviction for an assault.

SENATOR LANE SINKING SLOWLY IS REPORT.

San Francisco, May 23.—(United Press)—Senator Lane is sinking slowly. His consulting physicians believe death is near.

SECOND ARMY MEDICAL UNIT JUST ARRIVED

TWENTY-SIX PHYSICIANS, SIXTY-FIVE NURSES AND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE PRIVATES ON LIST.

London, May 23.—(United Press)—The second army medical unit arrived in England today. The unit was composed of twenty-six physicians, sixty-five nurses and one hundred fifty-three privates from the Presbyterian hospital in New York.

Livestock Receipts In Portland Market

Portland, May 23.—The cattle receipts for yesterday were only 370 head with a steady market. Quotations are: Best Beef Steers10.00@10.75 Good Beef Steers10.00@10.25 Best Beef Cows 9.25@ 9.50 Ordinary to Good 9.50@10.00 Bulls 5.00@ 8.00 Calves 7.00@10.00 Stockers and feeders 8.00@10.00

Hogs Hog receipts were small only 280 head in the pens which met steady prices. Quotations are: Prime light hogs15.90@16.25 Prime heavy hogs15.90@16.25 Pigs13.00@13.25 There were no sheep in the yards yesterday and prices remain steady.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION IS FRIDAY

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES WILL BE HELD IN THE AUDITORIUM—PROGRAM IS ISSUED.

Friday evening the Senior class of La Grande high school will hold their commencement exercises in the auditorium. This year's class totals 40, two having graduated at mid-year making this number. The following program will be given: Processional. Invocation—Rev. H. L. Ford, pastor of the Christian Church. Girls' Quartette—(a) Forget-me-not (Giese); (b) Snowflakes (Cowen). Misses Mary Newlin, Gladys Black, Helen Ransom, Marie Love. Address, "The Knight of the Fire-side"—Rev. G. L. Clark, pastor of the Presbyterian Church. Solo—(a) Folk Song (16 Century) (Old English); (b) The Wind's in the South (John Prindle Scott.)—Mrs. A. L. Richardson. Presentation of Diplomas—J. E. Reynolds, Chairman of Board of Education. Class Roll. Jesse Andrews, Gladys Black,

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GERMANY IS AGAIN ACTIVE PLOTS PEACE

HALF A DOZEN EUROPEAN CITIES REPORT TEUTONIC EFFORTS TO END WAR ON OWN TERMS.

GOVERNMENT NOT LIKELY TO MAKE MUCH HEADWAY

Amsterdam Reports "Hindenburg" Peace Movement in Germany Is Demanding That Germany Retain Brey, Longwy Iron Districts, Antwerp, the Belgium Coast and the Belgium Coal Mines.

London, May 23.—(United Press)—Germany is active plotting peace again after a lull in her propaganda efforts. Half a dozen European cities reported Teutonic efforts to end war, on Germany's own terms.

Because of Premier Ribot's firm statement regarding France's aims, and additional statements showing America's position, the German government will not likely make headway.

Amsterdam reported that the "Hindenburg" peace movement in Germany is demanding that Germany retain Brey, Longwy iron districts, Antwerp, the Belgian coast, and the Belgian coal mines.

GENERAL JOFFRE AND VIVIANA IN PARIS

Paris, May 23.—(United Press)—General Joffre and Ex-premier Viviana arrived in Paris this morning.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Towle of Cove, an eight-pound girl on May 16.

Andrew Marker Writes Of Life At Presidio

Ernest Vehrs has received the following letter from Andrew C. Marker who is in the Officers' Training Corps at the Presidio, San Francisco: Presidio, Cal., May 19.—Dear Friend: This is the first breathing spell that I have had since I reported here last Sunday.

It has been a strenuous week—first one thing and then another all the time. The day begins at 5 o'clock in the morning and winds up at 9 in the evening.

Believe me it is no child's play to be a candidate for an officer in Uncle Sam's army.

I understand we are to undergo another physical test, more rigid than the previous one. It is going to be a weeding out process, both physical and mental. Five were sent home yesterday for physical defects and two for being drunk. We are drilled for eight hours a day, marched for three miles, and the rest of the time we devote to study.

I am feeling fine and acquiring an appetite that requires 45 minutes of steady work in profound silence to abate.

Give my grateful regards to the fellows of the K. of P. lodge.

Coolidge and Huron are in another company—6th Company—and I do not see them very often.

We have an interesting collection of men in 13th Company—there is a young millionaire—several Yale football stars of other days—one West Pointer—an Arizona sheriff and two men from Alaska.

Sincerely yours, A. MARKER.

Care Company 13th Officers' Reserve Training Corps, Presidio, Cal.

The following poem was enclosed: One radiant little hour of bliss Wedged in among long years—of strife;

And nothing matters after this, For Love is All There is of Life!

A silence and fair skies grow grey; Perhaps a catching of the breath As one puts all Life's toys away; Then Sleep! That's All There is of Death.