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PRUSSIANS USE GAS IN EFFORT TO SHAPE LINE

ATTEMPTS TO CHANGE BRITISH POSITIONS BEYOND HINDENBURG LINE FAIL

BRITISH STILL HOLD ON TO BOURLON WOOD

Enemy Loses Many in Desperate Attacks on Lost Positions; Cambrai in Sight of Troops.

By Wm. Philip Simms
BRITISH HEADQUARTERS, Nov. 29.—The Germans uncorked asphyxiating gas on an entire countryside in attempts to shape the British positions beyond the Hindenburg line. The gas attacks failed completely.

The British line is apparently shifted west of Fontaine Notre Dame. The British Bourlon Wood position is standing despite the enemy's most desperate efforts.

Thousands of Germans were last night and this morning in frantic efforts to retake the Bourlon Woods.

Cambrai is within sight of the British troops.

The British are using aeroplane machine-gun attacks on the German trenches.

Apples Used To Make Tobacco

Plant Opens at Hood River Which Will Use Cores and Peels of the Fruit.

(United Press.)
HOOD RIVER, Ore., Nov. 29.—American smokers are going to stuff nicely toasted bits of cores and peels in their pipes from famous Hood River apple ranches.

And, this isn't a new brand of wartime economy either.

A plant has been opened here which takes refuse from vinegar plants, puts it through a process and sells the lighter bits of cores and peeling to smoking tobacco manufacturers. The heavier part goes to jelly makers.

The prepared fruit is mixed in the finest tobacco, giving it a particular flavor which is popular among smokers.

Churches Unite In Thanksgiving Services Today

La Grande churches are uniting today and are holding services at the Baptist church beginning at 10 A. M. The following program was prepared for the occasion.

Voluntary Miss Iva Wilson
Doxology (Standing)
Choir and Congregation
Responsive Reading (Psalter)
Thanksgiving Day
Led by Rev. J. J. Tiekner, Pastor of the First Baptist Church
Reading President's Proclamation
Prayer Rev. W. B. Smith
Pastor 1st M. E. Church South
Prayer Rev. H. L. Ford
Pastor First Christian Church
Anthem, By Choir of Baptist Church
T. K. Bellamy, Director
Sermon Rev. Geo. H. Foese, D.D.
Pastor First M. E. Church
Solo: "Calvary" Paul Knautz
Thanksgiving Offering.
Hymn: "America"
Choir and Congregation
Benediction Rev. J. J. Tiekner
Postlude Miss Watson

Church of Our Lady of the Valley.

A special Thanksgiving service was held this morning in the Church of Our Lady of the Valley at 8 o'clock. The mass was offered for the United States and a special service flag containing fifteen stars—one for each young member of the local church in the army or navy—was blessed with solemn ceremonies. Each star contained the name of a soldier or sailor in the order of his enlistment. The services closed with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

RUSSELL TO ADDRESS SOLDIERS.

Member of Root Commission Will Speak at Camp Lewis.

(United Press.)
CAMP LEWIS, TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 29.—Charles Edward Russell, newspaper writer and member of the Root Russian Commission, will speak here next Sunday under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. His topic will be "Democracy and World Conditions."

THE RULERS OF RUSSIA IN "EXECUTIVE SESSION"



The photograph is that of a typical scene in the streets of Petrograd in the days following the overthrow of the Kerensky government by the Bolsheviks. Soap box orators, silhouetted against lurid banners, occupied every street corner. The populace eagerly drank in their panaceas for Russia's troubles.

Today Is Turkey Day; Restaurants Prepare Feeds

Today being Thanksgiving Day and La Grande housing a very large number of people who are far away from their families, owing to it being a railroad division town, every restaurant and grill in the city has prepared elaborate bills of fare in which the piece de resistance is the time honored Roast Turkey, mince and pumpkin pie.

Restaurant owners are determined to make those who are so unfortunate as to be away from home on Thanksgiving day, and have not been taken in by some resident friend with a family, feel that there is a homey feeling even about a hotel dining room or grill. Every effort is being made to make the day a pleasant one for the visitor and those boarding at hotels.

This afternoon there will be a big football match between the Franklin High of Portland and La Grande's High School team.

There will be a big dance at the Rex hall tonight, the music being furnished by one of Portland's best bands imported for the occasion. There will also be a dance at Zuber hall.

A number of duck shooting parties have been organized and many of the homeless ones have been invited to go along and enjoy the morning or evening shoot.

As far as possible La Grande intends to take care of those who are away from home on Thanksgiving day and ward off all attacks of home sickness.

U. OF O.-G. A. C. GAME ON IN PORTLAND.

Two Colleges Will Settle Question of State Football Title Today

PORTLAND, Nov. 29.—Full of fan and confident of victory, the football teams of the University of Oregon and the Oregon Agricultural College will trot out on Multnomah field here this afternoon to settle the question of state championship.

Both teams are in the best of condition, full of fight and determination. Portland fans are inclined to predict a victory for the university, because of the Eugene team's decisive defeat of California recently.

On the other hand, the Oregon Aggies have been working under the experienced guidance of Phillips and Matthews, former Notre Dame stars. Coach Pipal has worked his team to a high state of efficiency.

SOLDIERS WILL SEE VAUDEVILLE TODAY

CAMP LEWIS, Tacoma, Nov. 29.—With two vaudeville performances, the 16th depot brigade theatre will formally open here today. Other shows are planned to pay for the structure, which seats 1000.

Dr. Westman Resigns
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 29.—Dr. Westman, under-secretary of foreign affairs, who is alleged to have handled the Luxemburg-Cronholm meetings for Germany, has resigned.

U. S. Faces Serious Shortage Of Fish

Supply Limited and Demand Greater for Food Fish; Prices Higher.

(United Press.)
SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 29.—With the nation substituting fish for meat as a part of the food conservation program, the northwest faces a tremendous shortage of the principal food fish, halibut and salmon, fish dealers said here today.

The halibut shortage alone is estimated from 25 to 40 per cent under last year's catch, and the demand for the fish far exceeds 1916.

Fish dealers say the situation will be relieved when the housewives learn to buy other fish than halibut and salmon. Fish offered at half the price of halibut and just as good, dealers declare, are shunned by the housewife.

Although prices are much higher than a year ago, wholesalers and dealers contend their profits are far less.

Caylor Appointed New Fire Chief

Position Left Vacant By Resignation of C. L. Mackey; Is Veteran Fire Fighter.

C. P. Caylor for the past ten years a member of Volunteer Fire Co. No. 1 has been appointed Fire Chief to take the place of Chief C. L. Mackey who has resigned to take a position with the government as rural mail carrier.

The incoming chief is well known to La Grande residents as he was for many years in the employ of the A. B. C. Laundry and later with the O. W. R. R. as brakeman.

The City Commissioners at their last meeting on November 21 raised the salary of the fire chief from \$50 to \$55, that of the first assistant chief from \$75 to \$80 and the second assistant from \$70 to \$75, the raise to take effect on January 1st, 1918.

Seaside—Hammond Lumber Co. is putting on large force to cut spruce.

HOW THEY DID IT



This remarkable news photograph from Russia shows how Lenin and Trotsky brought the Bolshevik revolution to the boiling point. They are shown (Trotsky at the left, Lenin at the right) working on the sympathy of the masses by paying tribute to the grave of a Bolshevik slain in Lenin's earlier attempt to overthrow the Kerensky government. This photograph, the latest received from Russia, gives also the best idea America has yet had of the human element in the present Petrograd crisis.

HOGS ARE MORE VALUABLE THAN SHELLS IN WAR

FOUND OF FAT WILL DO AS MUCH SERVICE AS BULLET, SAYS HOOVER

CONSUMING MORE PORK THAN BEING PRODUCED

Increased Production of Pork to Necessary in Order to Supply the World With Fat.

By GEORGE MARTIN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Next to human beings, the great American hog is this country's most important living factor in winning the war, Food Administrator Hoover declared today.

"Every hog," said Hoover, in a personally prepared and signed statement, "is of greater value to the winning of this war than a shell. And every pound of fat is as sure of service as every bullet."

Advocating the immediate and enormous increase of hog herds by the American farmer, and strongly urging that every owner of a yard, either rural or urban, become a "keep-a-pig patriot," Hoover said:

"Pork products have an influence in this present world situation wider than one would ordinarily attribute to them."

"We are slaughtering, consuming at home and exporting more pork products than we are producing. We have increased our pork consumption despite high prices."

"The human body must have a certain amount of fat daily. Either animal, vegetable or dairy. We can make an increase in pork fats more rapidly than in vegetable or dairy fats. We must concentrate on an increased production of hogs if we are to answer the world's craving for fats. We can do this, today."

"In addition to exports and normal domestic consumption, we have this year about one billion bushels of feed more than last. That is a 25 per cent increase. We have no corresponding number of animals to feed it to, unless we begin to increase them at once."

"If farmers are to find markets for feed, it must be through an increase in animals. Let that increase be hogs. It is to every farmer's vital advantage to do so."

"We need a 'keep-a-pig' movement in this country. If every suburbanite took one and fed it on the home garbage he would increase our fat supply and leave our feed surplus for the increase in other animals."

"A properly cared for pig is no more insanitary than a dog. In Germany, 4,000,000 hogs are supported in this manner. The national welfare would be warrant ample for the necessary changes in our village and urban ordinances to permit this."

ADOLPH NEWLIN IS AGAIN IN CHARGE

The La Grande Pharmacy is again being run by A. Newlin, Dr. Edwards having retained possession only a couple of months. A. Newlin has been the proprietor of the pharmacy for the past fourteen years. The store is not only the oldest but was almost the first store in La Grande as it was started in Old Town in 1884 by his father, Mr. F. Newlin, who for years had as his partner Jos. Palmer, the well-known pioneer and capitalist.

The firm was then known as Newlin & Palmer. Mr. Newlin, Dr., died in 1902, and his son has managed the business ever since.

Thanksgiving day customers will find one whole window filled with candy of an excellent quality. Another window is devoted entirely to toys for the children. The Elm-street window is divided into two compartments, one being filled with boxes of fine linen stationery, the other with tissue papers of various colors.

The shelves and counters are filled with a bewildering display of holiday goods, from expensive ivory toilet sets to pretty leather novelties.

VILLA CAPTURES CHIHUAHUA, REPORT

(United Press.)
EL PASO, Texas, Nov. 29.—Agents of the Cientifico party announced that Villa had captured Chihuahua City. Carranzista officials denied the statement. United States officials lack advice.

ARMY AND NAVY MEET TODAY IN TACOMA

(United Press.)
TACOMA, Nov. 29.—Army and navy football teams meet in the stadium here this afternoon. The 91st division team from Camp Lewis is representing the army, and a team from Bremerton the navy.

What Has The World To Be Thankful For?

Thanksgiving Day Thoughts Contributed by Distinguished Britishers and Frenchmen in Response to United Press Query.

RT. HON. WALTER H. LONG, M. P., Sec. of State for the Colonies.
"Great Britain and England have to be thankful at this time for the union of the great English-speaking races in the World."

ARTHUR HENDERSON, M.P., Labor Leader, former member War Cabinet.

"I readily accept your invitation to associate with the American Thanksgiving Day, because since August, 1914, the free democracies of the world have been subjected to their greatest trial; and it is cause for satisfaction that they have stood the test. They realize that the great world-conflict into which they were called to enter was the inevitable fruit of autocratic government and unbridled militarism. Hatred to war had not dulled their perception of national and moral responsibility for they were quick to realize that free, progressive democracy was not consistent with uncontrolled military despotism impelled by lust for world domination. With unity, chivalry, and courage, they labored, fought and sacrificed for a cause in which the highest ideals were involved. Today the great English-speaking democracies of America and Britain are comrades in a common cause; and notwithstanding the appalling loss of human life, and the impoverished world by the destruction of property and material, they are determined that the war must be so concluded as to be the end of all wars; that such a victory must be secured by moral, diplomatic, or military means, accompanied by a League of nations, arbitration and disarmament, as will make a recurrence of such a catastrophe impossible; by which alone the world can be made safe for democracy."

THE RT. REV. A. F. WINNINGTON-INGRAM, D. D., LL.D., Bishop of London.
"I have never personally been thankful for anything so much as the entrance of the United States into the war."
"It seemed unthinkable that we should be fighting for the freedom of the world, and not have our brothers by blood fighting at our side. But now we have, and it is a great cause of thanksgiving that we are now bound to one another in a bond of common self-sacrifice which nothing can ever break."

"It is also a matter of great thanksgiving that the issue is so clear. No one can doubt for a moment that the triumph of our enemies means the downfall of all that we mean by Charity, Justice, and Truth, and that all our glorious sons who die for these causes die in the same cause for which Christ died. It must be our unflinching determination to see that their sacrifice is not in vain."

SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE.
"The fact that every branch of the English-speaking peoples is now shedding its blood upon a common battlefield with a common end in view is so great an event that it will repay us for all present privation and anxiety."

"If America and the British Empire had been closer in their councils before the war this situation would never have arisen. If they remain close, it will never arise again."

ARNOLD BENNETT.
"Both America and Great Britain have to be thankful that the idea of democracy is making progress throughout the world. Democracy means disarmament. The instrument of disarmament will be a League of Nations; and we have also to be thankful that in both countries there are powerful men who understand the extreme importance of a League of Nations."

GOLDIERS TO HAVE THANKSGIVING FEED.

CAMP LEWIS, TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 29.—Turkey, cranberries, dressing, mince pie and cake—that's the Thanksgiving dinner for 35,000 soldiers at America's greatest cantonment here today.

The government is supplying lots of good, old-fashioned Thanksgiving dinner to every man. Two pounds of turkey was apportioned to each soldier.

Some of the companies, supplied with extra money raised by dance or entertainment or saved from the regular mess allowance, staged elaborate feasts. Cigars, loganberry juice, cider, fig pudding, fruit, nuts, and ice cream in addition to the regular Thanksgiving dishes were served.

Saving Food on Dining Cars.
CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—Over 85,000 pounds of meat, costing about \$250,000, are being saved annually for our soldiers and sailors and the fighting men of our allies, by not serving meat on Thursdays in railroad dining cars and restaurants.

ITALIAN CRISIS PAST, DIRECTOR MAURICE STATES

GREAT CREDIT DUE ITALIANS; SUCCESS AT CAMBRAI EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

BRITISH GAIN MORE GROUND THAN THOUGHT

Jerusalem Will Not Fall without Another Battle, Maurice Says; Natural Obstacles Must Be Overcome.

(United Press)

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The Italian crisis is past, director of operations Maurice told the United Press today. He declared the credit was due the Italians alone.

The Cambrai attack brought the British 11,000 prisoners, more than one hundred guns and between sixty and seventy square miles of territory. The British gained more ground than had been expected.

Maurice said that Jerusalem would not fall without another battle. The British must collect their scattered forces and overcome the natural obstacles.

GERMAN LOSSES ARE ENORMOUS, REPORTED

ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS, Nov. 29.—German casualties have been tremendous. Seven shattered divisions, comprising over 100,000 men, have been withdrawn from the front. Prisoners declare that some battalions of several hundred were reduced to thirty or forty by the Italian defense.

ITALIANS OPEN FIRE ON MASSES ENEMY.

ROME, Nov. 29.—Italian artillery and bombing planes opened an offensive fire on the massed enemy columns behind the Austro-German lines, it is officially stated today. Asarco plateau fighting is hot.

Baker Boy Dies In Action In France

BAKIER, Nov. 29. (Special.)—All Baker was wrapped in a shroud of sorrow by the news that one of her best-known young men had been sacrificed upon the altar of his country.

Harry Miller was born here 21 years ago and until he enlisted in the Coast Artillery on April 23, he had spent practically his whole life in and about Baker. He was a son of Mrs. L. L. Copeland. He completed the grade school courses here and had been employed in various capacities under several employers, who today joined in comforting the grief-stricken mother.

Mrs. Copeland was informed of her son's death at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Two American soldiers were killed and five were wounded in an artillery combat with the Germans on November 20, General Pershing reported. Those killed were:

Private Harry L. Miller, Field Artillery; address, Mrs. L. L. Copeland, 1602 Center street, Baker, Ore.
Private Charles Rasmiller, Field Artillery; mother, Mrs. Clara Rasmiller, Reading, Pa.

North Bend Man Wounded

Severely wounded:
Sergeant Julian M. Peek, Field Artillery; emergency address, Z. B. Peek, Hartwell, Ga.

Sergeant Andrew Engstrom, Field Artillery; Mrs. O. Engstrom, wife, Fort Sill, Okla.

Private Henry C. Watkins, Field Artillery; Emma B. Watkins, mother, North Bend, Ore.

Private Oscar F. Jones, Field Artillery; Mrs. Maria Jones, mother, Lucas, Ohio.

Private Joseph Lewitt, Field Artillery; Roy Woodside, friend, Mount Holly, N. J.

CAMP LEWIS NOTES.

CAMP LEWIS, TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 29.—"Over the Top," official organ of the 363rd Infantry, will make its first appearance December 9. It will be a four-page, five-column newspaper, written and edited by 29 drafted newspapermen and printed by drafted printers.

Publication of "Over the Top" will be continued after the organization leaves Camp Lewis. It will appear regularly even when the division is in France, under the fire of German shells.

Each company will have a representative in the paper's staff. The 363rd regiment is a California organization.