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DECEIVING THEMSELVES.

The Berlin reports attempt to show that the British navy did no damage of consequence in plugging up the Ostend submarine channel. On the other hand pictures taken by aviators show that the sinking of the Vindictive, loaded with cement, has done a complete job, and little activity of German submarines from that point may be feared for some time to come. It is more probable than otherwise that further daring exploits of this kind will be carried out by the British navy and it is still more likely that the United States sea forces will have something to do in the way of assistance.

But it is necessary for the German people to be fed on false representations, which is the only way the civilian morale can be maintained.

One of the latest inventions of this kind is the published reports in Germany as to alleged disaffection in the United States. A wireless message of this kind, intended for German consumption, was sent out May 5th, and it said:

"According to information from Christiana, Norwegians recently arrived from America say grave cases of insubordination occur daily in American training camps. At first breaches of discipline were punished by death, but this was stopped owing to the number of cases. In a particularly flagrant instance, all the soldiers in a camp acted collectively and obtained not only immunity for the mutineers, but punishment for all officers. Furthermore much damage to work and material is being done."

The latter part saying, "Much damage to work and material is being done" is to bolster up the belief in Germany that the Berlin hatched schemes for retarding America's part in the war are being carried out.

The day is speeding right along.

when the German populace will discover the awful cost of their credulity in German-made reports belittling the effectiveness of the American forces abroad, as well as the assumed disaffection at home.

A NEAT SUGGESTION

One of the latest suggestions as to dealing with pro-Germans in this country is that offered by Dr. Davis, the American dentist who for some years had the monopoly of attending to the Kaiser's teeth. "My advice," says he, "would be to take the ring-leaders, put them on a ship, and send them to Hamburg. When they come under the iron hand of that power, they will become the most loyal Americans the world has ever seen."

Strange to say, that is the sort of penalty most of the unregenerate Germans and their apologists in these United States would be very unwilling to accept, remarks the Boston Post. They prate loudly of the superior culture and efficiency to be found in Germany—but they do not go back to that country, and did not when they had plenty of opportunity before the war.

FRIENDLY CHAT

Here is the last dope on the Governor scrap. Withycombe people are singing in a loud voice that there will be no change in the governor's office this time, and they back up their assertion with the statement that Withycombe is coming in on that last lap of the race which they have been betting on. In other words, they have felt when the show down would come the people would say: "Old man well enough is old man good enough and let's let old man well enough alone."

The Olcott folks admit that Ben has slipped a little because of Louis Simpson, but they still contend the race is between Olcott and the present Governor and that Ben has plenty of votes left that he can spare and still win out.

Simpson is smiling and telling those whom he meets that he has got it grabbed, and he spreads his hope sheet before the interested listener. It is to the effect that he will poll almost an unanimous vote in Southern Oregon and Coos Bay, will get the best of the Eastern Oregon vote, and will carry Multnomah county by 7,000 plurality. He is right probably in some of his belief and wrong in parts of it. Many say that had Louie the time to meet all the voters, school would be out and the election would be a sweep. But he has not had that time and therefore it is contended that the name Simpson means little to the voters who have never seen or heard him, and these voters are already familiar with the name of Olcott, Withycombe and Moser. In Portland, Simpson has a working force, but at that it is believed he will have a hard time wrenching Multnomah from Gus Moser.

Gus is playing the game every minute. He can attend a waiter's ball, a schoolhouse political meeting and a lodge all in one night and make a speech at every gathering. His strength over the state has been absorbed to a certain extent by Simpson, but Moser men say while Simpson has been absorbing the Moser strength he is also absorbing strength of Withycombe and Olcott.

Dr. Anderson will get more votes than anyone is figuring on. That is a settled fact. A lot of people feel so keenly the prohibition platform upon which the Doctor is running that they are going to vote for him, feeling they are casting a firmer vote for prohibition than if they should cast it for any other candidate, although all candidates but one are running on a bone-dry plank.

That exception is Mayor Harley, of Astoria. He is the light wine and

TURBAN IS REAL JEWEL OF A HAT



The upper bit is a Morocco turban of tangerine ramillee, with garlands of the tinted roses following the braid folds and a veil of bronze tulle to complete the picture. Beneath is a mushroom of rose braid flowering into a heap of iridescent feathers in shades of rose.

beer man, but whiskey and saloons do not go with the Mayor. He is the spectacular card of the whole campaign. So many people think he has no chance to get votes that they enjoy getting him started, and they do not get him started often. Harley has a vocabulary all of his own. He has enough is old man got enough and let, and when he shouts: "If every man and woman who has taken a drink since this state went dry would vote for me I would be elected by a big vote," is never fails to bring the laugh. He is splitting some of the Portland votes with the other boys, and is having a lot of real fun.

One of the things that look like Simpson is arriving at a point when the wisecracks in politics feel he might be dangerous is the desire on the part of friends of Withycombe and Olcott to make it positive that the race is between these two. Ralph Watson, who is a friend to Olcott, has begun to write in the Journal the story of the "two candidate race," naming Withycombe and Olcott as the two. This would indicate that there is some apprehension about Louie Simpson.

It looked for some time like Senator Cusick would be nominated state treasurer without much difficulty, but just at present he has two very apt and energetic contenders for that office. These are Judge Ryan, present deputy, and Ole Hoff, who has been at the head of the labor department of the state for some time. Each of these candidates is showing strength.

TWO SMALL FIRES

Department Called on Twice Since Saturday Evening.
At one o'clock this morning the fire department was called out on V avenue at Woody Day's place where an incubator got on fire and fifty chickens and the hen house was destroyed.

On Sunday a conflagration which got beyond control in the vicinity of North Depot and Z avenue, necessitated the calling out of the fire fighters. The blaze was quickly extinguished with chemicals and very little damage resulted.

ONLY EXPERTS MAY COOK FOR SAILORS



No scrub cooks go in Uncle Sam's navy. All cooks are experts when accepted or are made experts before they are allowed to prepare the sailors' food. Here's a group of young cooks in training.

NORTH POWDER MAN DIES SUDDENLY

WM. McHARRY PASSES AWAY AT HOT LAKE—TEACHERS FOR NEXT YEAR ARE EMPLOYED—EARL WILSON HOME ON A FURLOUGH.

North Powder, May 8. (Special.)—People were shocked Tuesday to hear of the death of Wm. McHarry at Hot Lake. Mr. McHarry had gone to Hot Lake to take a course of treatment. His wife accompanied him and he suddenly passed away during the night. Mr. McHarry and his wife moved to this section several years ago and took up land in the Wolf Creek section. Here on this farm they labored for years and raised a family. They rented their farm a few years ago to one of their boys and have since made their home in North Powder. One son, Albert, died last fall after a short illness. Mr. McHarry has not been strong for some years and the death of his son was a crushing blow. He leaves a wife and a family besides numerous relatives and friends to mourn his passing. The funeral was held at two o'clock on Wednesday. His family have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

The son of Mr. Pierce had the misfortune to fall and break his arm.

Jim Riggs has been in the mountains cutting wood and has several men helping him.

Lily Dhalstrom accidentally split her thumb instead of the stick she was cutting for kindling. It took three stitches to close the cut.

Elmer Moritt has a new Studebaker "4" and George Aughey a new Studebaker "6."

Chris Johnson is trying out a new bread stuff which he says makes good bread. It contains equal parts of wheat and barley.

Earl Wilson is here on a furlough from Camp Kearney, near San Pablo, Cal.

L. C. Patterson is engaging in the bee business on a large scale. He already has a large number of hives and is expecting fifty more from Texas.

James Wilson was the guest of honor at a dinner at Hot Lake by his aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Linwood B. Russell. Miss Dorris Wilson and Miss Lenore Hughey were the other guests. Mr. Wilson will soon rejoin his company at Camp Lewis.

Several parties are renting ground and putting in potatoes in spite of the low prices of the past year. Ab Blevins and Gus Taylor have rented ten acres from Alva Peters and Bob Haines has also rented ground from Mr. Peters.

Miss Eva Forestrom is out again after a brief illness.

Mr. Hadley was called to Portland under government orders. He will get to visit for a few days at his home and then go on to New York whence he will sail for France.

Walter McGrath and family are at home again after getting in their crops on their farm at Union.

Chas. McCurrey and son have sold out their business. They are talking of locating at Stanfield.

The Misses Beth Graham, Van Pelt, Wilgerdt, Lillian O'Hara, and Miss Alta Smith have signed to teach in the North Powder schools for the coming year.

The Pearson boys have purchased Studebaker cars.

Dean Bidwell has been out of school for some time on account of illness.

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