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FIFTH BIG DRIVE IS STOPPED

AMERICANS PUT BOCHES TO FLIGHT

GERMANS THROWN BACK OVER MARNE BY A SMASHING COUNTER ATTACK.

YANKEE SOLDIERS DO NOT GIVE AN INCH

Heavy Losses Are Inflicted On The Enemy And Upwards Of Two Thousand Prisoners Are Taken—Opinion Prevails Enemy Is Checked.

WITH THE AMERICANS ON THE MARNE, July 16.—(By United Press.)—The Germans, who were thrown back across the Marne by the smashing counter-attack of the Americans, had not resumed their infantry attacks at eight o'clock this morning. Although it is raining, the artillery duel is still proceeding with all intensity.

STOOD LIKE STONE WALL.

WITH THE AMERICANS ON THE CHAMPAGNE, July 16.—(By United Press.)—The American units east of Rheims, have not given an inch before the enemy. When the shock of the German assault came, they stood like a stone wall, inflicting the heaviest losses on the enemy and taking many prisoners.

ENEMY HAS 420,000 MEN.

LONDON, July 16.—(By United Press.)—The Germans are using from thirty to thirty-five divisions 420,000 men in their latest drive. This means that there are nearly 12,000 Germans to the mile on the front on which the new offensive has been launched.

Wrecked German tanks strew the ground east of Rheims. The enemy was unable to cut through anywhere.

TWO THOUSAND PRISONERS

PARIS, July 16.—(By United Press.)—The opinion prevails here that the enemy is now checked. The total number of prisoners taken by the Americans is 2,000.

PARKKEEPER PLEASSED

Big Signs Point the Way for Gas-Propelled Vehicles.

A great spirit of sunshine has spread over the heretofore troubled keeper of the park—"Tap" Thomas. There have been placed large signs on a big circular background of white, the admonition "Keep to the Right," and others which say: "Speed Limit, 8 Miles Per Hour."

For years Mr. Thomas has had trouble constantly with the drivers of cars and motorcycles in the park. He had about despaired of the scriptural truth of the wicked and perverse generation "seeking for a sign." While he was ready to assent fully in the wicked and perverse part of it there is a total absence of proof that any of them looked for the signs or gave them any notice after they were seen. This was when there was only some penciled directions on a piece of an apple box, but now it is different and no one has any excuse for not knowing which way to drive and to slow down when going over the park drive-ways.

Mr. Thomas says that the effects of the new signs were noticeable at once, and he is relieved of a lot of unnecessary grief and trouble.

ATHLETES ARE VOLUNTEERS

Tom Sharkey, Jack McAuliffe to Aid the Y. M. C. A.

NEW YORK, July 16.—Jack McAuliffe, who retired from the ring holding the world's lightweight championship, is included among 75 men who have volunteered here for work as physical directors with the American Expeditionary Forces, according to an announcement by the Y. M. C. A. tonight. Other recruits are Tom Sharkey, former heavyweight, and Walter Carter, who pitched for Yale, and William Roper, one-time Princeton football star.

ALBERT PAUL FRICKE



Albert Paul Fricke, who acted as paymaster in plots and treasonable conspiracies in the United States to aid the cause of Germany, is one of those indicted in New York by a federal grand jury.

NEW FLAG FOR THE FOUR ELLS.

CEREMONY OF FLAG MOVEMENTS ARE EXPLAINED.

Government Rules To Be Observed Others Might Well Follow Their Lead.

It happened at the Geo. W. Palmer Lumber Co.'s plant, just as the 5 o'clock whistle blew, and about 200 or more of the employees gathered in one of the empty dry houses, that one of the officers might read to the men assembled a somewhat lengthy report of the recent convention of employers and employees at Spokane. The details of the report cannot be published, at least should not be, under directions given by Col. Disque, in charge of airplane development, and other large government contracts. At the close of his address the speaker gave out the information that a new 20-foot flag, ordered by the company for the use of the Four L's, would arrive at the plant in a few days.

This was good news to the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen. Every member of that organization from the employer down to the common day laborer, is now a part of this organization, which is of government origin, put in force by Col. Disque himself. It is this organization of the Four L's that only recently, with the aid of state troops, ran the I. W. W.'s out of the state of Idaho.

In concluding his remarks, the speaker outlined the manner in which this new flag is to be handled and respected.

At the sound of the whistle in the morning, it will be run up on the new flag staff provided for it, and having the Four L's pennant hanging beneath it. In whatever part of the grounds or shops, the men will stand at attention, face the flag with bared heads, until its folds embrace the breeze.

At the whistle blowing in the evening, the same respectful program will be carried out.

There are many hundreds and thousands of flags displayed by patriots in the city, as well as out in the country, but in about nine out of ten cases, these flags are nailed to the house or to a pole.

This habit is directly against government instructions. Home flags like all other government flags, big or little, should be hung with eyelets, so they can be put up at sunrise, and taken down at sunset.

CALLED TO COLORS.

Spanish War Veteran Goes As An Instructing Officer.

Spanish war veteran, W. H. Abbott, night foreman for the Geo. W. Palmer Lumber Company, has been called to Camp Lewis, and will leave on the 20th instant.

SPORTSMEN ANNUAL MEET

NEARLY ONE HUNDRED MEMBERS WERE AT BANQUET.

Voluntary Enlistments As Fire Wardens Will Keep The Hunting Season Open This Year.

Perhaps the largest, as well as the most enthusiastic gathering of the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot Club, was that of last night around the banquet board in the Hotel Foley. Almost the first important action by the Club, was an agreement, without a dissenting voice, to take upon themselves, almost an even 100, to act as fire wardens in the forests of Wallowa and Union counties, thus enabling Governor Withycombe to keep the hunting season open, and not ordered closed, as was the case last year, when there was great danger of fires there was great danger of fires being started by campers' carelessness.

Speeches were made, as the banquet of fish was being stowed away by the members to "capacily houses," as it might be said.

List Of Prize Winners.

There was enthusiasm spilled all over the table, when Secretary A. V. Andrews read off the names of the prize winners, and one might have heard shouts of glee a block distant, when some one member told a funny story.

The first largest rainbow trout prize was awarded to Nate Zweifel, the second prize going to Pat Foley.

The first largest "Dolly Varden" prize fell to the lot of V. J. Boone, the second premium going to E. Hewitt.

For the largest catch in weight Frank Harris carried off first honors, the best average catch prize was awarded to Nate Zweifel.

Officers Elected.

After the banquet, officers were elected to serve the ensuing year, as follows:

President: L. M. Hoyt. Secretary: A. V. Andrews. Executive Committee: Judge J. W. Knowles, Nate Zweifel and P. A. Foley.

As the banqueters left the dining room, there was such elation among them, as well as others, that the hunting reason will remain open this season, by the pledges made by nearly 100 members of the club to act as fire wardens in the forests of Wallowa and Union counties.

WEDDINGS.

Barney B. Owsley and Christina Hallen, of Palmer Junction, were married at the M.E. parsonage at La Grande, July 15, 1918, Dr. G. H. Feesee officiating.

The marriage of Lyle A. Green, of Montana, and Mary F. Caldwell of La Grande, was solemnized July 16, 1918, at the M. E. parsonage, Dr. G. H. Feesee officiating.

THE MEDICOS WILL MEET IN SEATTLE

DELEGATES TO TRI-STATE CONVENTION WILL LEAVE LA GRANDE TOMORROW.

Doctors Hall, Whiting and Roe, as delegates to the Tri-State Medical Society, which will meet in Seattle on July 17th to 19th, will leave La Grande today.

It is expected that this convention of doctors from the three states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, besides holding an important thing in the medical world, which has developed since the last meeting, will go in a body down to Camp Lewis, and hold a conference with U. S. Army surgeons, in regard to the physical examinations being given registrants for the army. There seems to have been some "little question of difference of methods, as practiced by the different war boards in the various states mentioned, the idea being to arrive at some kind of uniformity of practice in this matter, which will eliminate rejections, so far as possible.

Dr. Roe, speaking of the matter of rejections this morning, said, in part: "Our local board, as well as district board, have been having very good success, so far as the matter of rejections is concerned, as only a few have been turned back from Camp Lewis in the past, but, after visiting the Camp itself, we shall have a better understanding, maybe just how far we shall go in these matters in the future."

THE CHANGE MADE IN THE WAR ORDERS

REGISTERED MEN PERMITTED TO ENTER NAVY OR MARINE SERVICE.

At the local war board office instructions are received which will be welcomed by those who registered on June 5th, as well as others.

Registered men will be permitted to enlist in the navy or marine service; also will be permitted to enter the call for voluntary service, or individual induction in any branch of the service desired.

LEGAL ADVICE FOR SOLDIERS

Business Counsel for Fighters and Families Also Planned.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 16.—Free legal and business advice for all men in military service and their families at home, wherever they may be, soon will be available, the War Department announced tonight that a complete system for this purpose is now being worked out by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, American Red Cross, Council of National Defense and American Bar association. Men in camps or in the field are advised by the divisions of camp judge advocates. Where the problem must be settled at the man's home, the service section of the Red Cross will handle it with the assistance of a local legal advisory organization.

BIG SUCCESS MARKS OPENING

COMMUNITY CHOIR HAS COME TO STAY IS VERDICT.

La Grande Destined To Be The Boston Of The Northwest, Is The Opinion Of Prof. Edwards.

Prof. L. B. Edwards, of Baker, who was promptly on hand at the first meeting of the Community Choir in the Presbyterian Church and gratified with the large attendance—larger, he said afterwards, than he had supposed there would be, considering that there were counter attractions.

Very thorough was the ground work given last night, and all those who attended obtained some new ideas of the scope of the training in store for them. The exercises were new, original methods, and will bring the desired results.

"The Community Choir" has come to stay," said the professor, after dismissal for the evening.

In speaking of the organization afterwards, Prof. Edwards said, in part:

"I found this evening many beautiful, and already trained voices, thanks to the thorough and untiring efforts of Mrs. Richardson, to whom, I understand, is due the permanent organization of this choir work."

"Before the close of the season we will be rendering grand opera right here in La Grande, and I am perfectly confident, with the talent displayed by many of the ladies, as well as gentlemen, there will be developed many soloists of unusual ability and, I predict that, with a continuation of faithful work on their part—one and all—La Grande will be the Boston of the northwest, so far as its music makers and music lovers are concerned."

PARENTS ARE THANKFUL.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Feik Express Gratitude To Rescuers.

The Observer is in receipt of a note from Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Feik to the people of Iowa and Mt Glenn districts for the rescue of their son Parley, who was lost in the mountains following the electric storm Sunday evening. During the night the boy camped under a fir tree near Five Points and got straightened around when morning dawned and he was on his way home; when he was met by the rescuing party, who had been out all night in the search. The details of the adventure are practically the same as given in the Observer yesterday.

ELEVATORS BUILDING.

Word comes from Hank McGoldick, of Imbler, that the new grain elevators now under construction at Imbler and Albec, by the co-operation of farmers in that neighborhood, are rapidly nearing completion, and will be ready for service this coming fall.

MISS MARION DAVIES



Miss Marion L. Davies, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, is one of the first women to be appointed examiner under the federal trade commission. She is doing research work in the congressional library, investigating facts about the manufacture of various articles.

TO HURRY THE AEROPLANES

CALL IS VERY URGENT FOR 175 SKILLED MEN.

If Volunteers Do Not Respond Call Will Be Made On The Draft Registrants.

The Observer is requested to give the widest publicity possible to the notice heretofore printed from the adjutant-general's office in regard to men for work in the spruce division.

A call for 175 men skilled in logging and sawmill work must be filled by volunteers from Oregon by July 23, or enough men will be drafted from special and limited service men in Class 1 to fill the quota.

The skilled workmen required are as follows:

70 chokermen, 50 head buckers, 24 doggers, 6 general saw mill foremen and 25 planer trimmermen. Volunteers for this service must be of draft age, and are particularly desired from Classes II, III, and IV. Those who volunteer for the work will be sent to Vancouver Wash., for engagement in producing spruce for airplanes in the great northwest woods."

WANT ONLY REAL MEN

No Soft Places for Y. M. C. A. Workers in France.

PARIS, July 16.—"Only men who will face the dangers of liquid fire, poison gas, shrapnel, the inconvenience of living in dugouts and huts under shell fire are wanted in Y. M. C. A. war work service with the American troops at the front," is the message which E. C. Carter in charge of Y. M. C. A. war work in France has sent out.

Halliday Smith, of Nyack, N. Y., who threw away a possible chance of surviving a gas attack in order to render vital service to the American troops, exemplified in his death the type of men the Y. M. C. A. is seeking for service at the front. Smith and Rev. Hedley H. Cooper, of Piermont, N. Y., had been gassed in a front trench dugout and were proceeding to the rear, seeking a hospital. Smith encountered an ammunition train which had lost its way and, turning his back on medical aid, led the train through a hail of steel to its destination. Both he and Cooper died that night in the hospital.

There is need for 4000 men of this typical American type immediately. More than 300 secretaries are under shell fire serving the American troops in the advanced lines. Additional troops are arriving, new huts are being opened and the need for Y. M. C. A. workers is urgent.

FIVE DOLLARS ADDED.

Mrs. H. C. Grady, president of the Cabin Parties, reports that the fund was augmented last week by a donation of \$5 which came from Mrs. Julius Roesch.

FIRST RUSH HAS SPENT ITS FORCE

INDICATIONS SHOW THAT BIG DRIVE IS DEFINITELY CHECKED.

INFANTRY ATTACKS ARE NOT RENEWED

All Attacks East Of Rheims Were Repulsed And Heavy Losses Inflicted—Situation Is Described As "Distinctly Good."

LONDON, July 16.—(By United Press.)—The First German rush in the new Champagne drive is definitely checked it was learned authoritatively this afternoon. The push has not been resumed up to noon today. The Germans suffered heavy losses yesterday. From Rheims to the Marne, over a front of 20 miles, their is local fighting. Elsewhere there is only skirmishing of a desultory nature.

Between Chezy sur Marne and Vaux the Americans are fighting brilliantly.

FRENCH COMMAND SATISFIED

PARIS, July 16.—(By United Press.)—The French command continues satisfied with the situation, which is defined as "distinctly good."

It is learned that the enemy really intended yesterday's drive as a big offensive, and it is extremely unlikely that he will start another drive for the present. The German advances was stopped at midday, then the allies apparently took up the offensive at most points on a 50-mile front.

The German command called off its infantry in the evening. The composite reports shows that the Americans everywhere proved the decisive factor.

The official report says: "South of the Marne the Germans did not pass the line through St. Agnan-lachelle, Montedone and Bouquilly Forest. One thousand enemy were taken prisoner."

"North of the Marne, the Germans were held at a line south of Chailillon sur Marne and southeast of Robemant wood. There was no change in the remainder of the line."

ALL ATTACKS REPULSED.

LONDON, July 16.—(By United Press.)—It was authoritatively learned that there had been very little change on the new Champagne battlefield up to ten o'clock this morning. All yesterday's attacks east of Rheims, east of Souain and southeast of Prunay were repulsed with the heaviest losses.

West of Rheims the enemy has penetrated more than four miles the lines of the allies.

A captured aeroplane map shows the direction of the main drive was to be along the Marne toward Epernay.

The brilliant counter attacks of the Americans completely restored the whole front south of the Marne.

OBJECTIVE NOT DISCLOSED

LONDON, July 16.—(By United Press.)—The fifth phase of the German offensive appears to consist of a supreme effort to break thru and defeat as large a part of the French army as possible without any definite goal as their objective. This was the opinion of a majority of expert military men. All agreed that Generalissimo Foch has completely arranged for meeting any German move.

The morning papers are decidedly optimistic, and express satisfaction, but are puzzled as to whether yesterday's action was part of the main offensive that is expected.

MOONEY COMMITTED

Execution to Follow at San Quentin Within 60 Days.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16.—The Thomas Mooney commitment papers have been issued by Superior Judge Griffith. Mooney goes to the San Quentin penitentiary tomorrow and is to be hanged within sixty days.

WRECK OF CIRCUS TRAIN AT GARY, IND., WHICH COST MANY LIVES



This photograph was taken soon after the terrible railway wreck at Gary, Ind., in which some 72 men, women and children connected with the Hagenbeck-Wallace show perished. The locomotive of an empty troop train plowed through the cars of the circus train, which had stopped.