

TREMENDOUS GAIN MADE BY ALLIES EVERYWHERE

MONTDIDIER DOOMED TO BE TAKEN

NEW AMERICAN TROOPS GET BAPTISM OF FIRE IN THE PICARDY SMASH

CAPTURED LIST NOW OVER 24,000 GERMANS

Montdidier Surrounded and Supply Railroad in Great Danger—Fall Already Reported in France—Gains Everywhere Remarkably Big—The Americans Uphold Tradition.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—(United Press.)—Montdidier will have fallen before night, if it has not already collapsed. Although there are few Germans in Montdidier, it is now clear that the total captures since August 8 will reach 30,000 men.

The German losses in wounded and killed, and prisoners, will total fifty percent of the men engaged. The rout is a most complete one. Three hundred cannon have been captured.

The German base at Chaumes cannot now be used by them, and retirement to the canal between Noyon and Nesle is expected momentarily. Noyon is 19 miles southeast of Montdidier.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—(By United Press.)—Americans are fighting in the Picardy sector. General Haig has announced co-operation with the British has resulted in the capture of Morlan court, and that point is in all probability the most difficult feat accomplished in this great offensive.

General Haig declared that 24,000 prisoners have been captured since August 8.

The communique says: "Yesterday afternoon and evening the allied advance continued on the whole front, southward from Montdidier to Ancre. South of Ancre and the man has South of Montdidier the French captured Letronquoy, Lefretoy, Assinvilleirs and threatened Montdidier from the southeast.

"Canadians and Australians took Bouchoir, Mehariocot and Lihons, entering Bainscourt and Proyard. Angle-Americans took all their objectives, including Morlancourt and the high ground to the southeast."

MONTDIDIER IN DANGER.

PARIS, Aug. 10.—Suddenly attacking south of Montdidier, French have practically surrounded the city. The official communique indicated that the French forces have penetrated four miles on a three-mile front, between Ayencourt and Lefreto, and advanced to Faverelles, or three miles directly east of Montdidier. It is rumored here tonight that Montdidier has already fallen.

AMERICANS POUNDING. WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES, Aug. 10.—(By United Press.)—Americans continue to

pound incessantly with the German center north of the Vesle, while the wings of both sides of Fismes are comparatively quiet.

YANKIES SHOW COLOR.

WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES, Aug. 10.—(By United Press.)—United States troops sprang into action alongside of the British in the great Picardy battle, after waiting in reserve since the fight began.

They took their baptism of fire like veterans, the men eagerly storming and defending their positions well, taking their objectives within fifty minutes.

NEW DRIVE BEGINS.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—(United Press.)—It is learned today that French, in a new drive southeast of Montdidier, have reached the outskirts of Ressonsurmetz, an important center. The line of the new French attack extends from Faverelles southward through the outskirts of Pienres, Rollot, Cuvilli, Ressoiss and Venmont.

The Germans are in full retreat, and French papers say the prisoners now total tens of thousands.

Late this afternoon it is learned the French have surrounded Montdidier.

FRENCH ADVANCING.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES, Aug. 10.—(By United Press.)—Humlet's army, which struck on a wide front southeast of Montdidier this morning, is still advancing this evening.

GRAY DIGGERS NOW SCARCE.

O. A. C., CORVALLIS, Aug. 9.—Thousands of dollars have been saved the farmers of Douglas county by a Gray digger campaign waged this summer under the direction of C. J. Hurd, county agent. It is now possible to travel for several miles without seeing a squirrel, whereas a year ago the fields were fairly alive with them, he writes to Paul V. Maris, state leader of county agents, at the college.

MAILING YOURSELF MONEY.

Every time you stick a Thrift or War Savings Stamp on your card you are mailing money to yourself to be received later with interest. Cashing in these stamps is going to be better than "getting money from home," for with the money comes the remainder that you contributed to the great victory which then will have been completely won.

MRS. EDWARD TUCK FRENCH



Lillian M. Harrington, a telephone operator of Manchester, N. H., recently eloped with and became the wife of Edward Tuck French, son of the wealthy Amos Tuck French of New York and Newport. Since then she has left her husband twice, and now he announces that his romance is ended.

CALL SENT TO METAL WORKERS

LA GRANDERS, ALREADY ENROLLED, GIVEN OPPORTUNITY.

Communication With Authorities Asked by Those Interested in Call.

Henry Du Bois, enrollment agent for the United States Public Service Reserve here, has received notification that Union county men enrolled with that branch, and in the metal trades division of that branch, are now being called into service. All such should consult with Mr. Du Bois at once, and get into communication with Wilfred F. Smith, of 247 Davis street, Portland, likewise.

These enrollments were enacted some time ago and have been called in from time to time. It is to be noted that only metal trades are called for.

HOME GUARD HONOR ROLL

"DOING THEIR BIT" FOR UNCLE SAM IN MANY PLACES.

Missapprehension of Conditions Should Cease—War Conditions Have Depleted Membership.

"If there are any band men in the city who would like to join, the band cheerfully extends an invitation to them to do so."

In the face of seemingly unsurmountable obstacles, the La Grande Home Guard band continues to function. Inroads on the band have been severe, but in spite of the handicaps, the institution continues to perform its duty, and generously, too. That fact is appreciated by the public. Anyone who thinks the band isn't quite up to standard has another guess coming for it is better than most bands under the conditions. Under the direction of J. David Haines, the institution hangs on in the face of difficulties, and the leader is one of the versatile fellows who can play any instrument and play it well.

Honor Roll of the Home Guard Band.

Following are the members of the band who have enlisted in the National Army, some of whom are in France.

Joe Graves, Clarinet; Snapp McManus, Cornet; L. A. Prescott, Alto; W. L. Stringham, Trombone; M. E. Homme, Tuba; O. S. Humphreys, Baritone; Frank Robinson, Trombone; Kenneth Geller, Clarinet.

The following members are doing their bit working in the shipyards and playing in the Shipyard Band: John Latimer, Trombone; Bert Russell, Tuba.

The public should lay aside adverse criticism until the war is over and then you can see a band of fifty pieces instead of 12 or 15 as we now have, for one will find nowhere in the country 12 men who could put on the ceremony of retreat and review as done Thursday evening and get by with it any better than did the Home Guard Band.

KILLED 50,000 SAGE RATS

War Waged Against Pests in Crook and Deschutes Counties.

O. A. C., CORVALLIS, Aug. 9.—The result of a war waged on sage rats and pack rabbits in Crook and Deschutes counties in June are now in evidence, according to a report from the county agent, R. A. Ward, to Paul V. Maris, state leader of county agent work at the college.

It is estimated that the campaign saved nearly \$60,000 worth of crops. Fifty thousand sage rats and 6000 rabbits were reported killed. It is estimated that each sage rat will cause a farmer a loss of more than \$1 in a season.

REGISTRATIONS A HUGE TASK

OREGONIANS FACE A TITANIC UNDERTAKING.

Estimated Number Who Will Register Will Be About 100,000.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 10.—In the next few days it will be necessary to begin in Oregon another intensive publicity campaign to acquaint the general public with requirements of the draft law.

This time the occasion is the lowering and raising of the draft age limits to include men from 18 to 20, inclusive, and from 32 to 44 years of age, inclusive. Approximately 100,000 Oregon men will be affected by the new law. All these men will be required to register on a day, probably early in September, to be proclaimed by the President as soon as Congress passes the bill.

As you will readily see, this will require an immense amount of educational publicity work throughout the whole state, in order that every one of these men, subject to registration will know that he must register, when he must register, where he must register, penalty for failure to register, etc.

In fact, the undertaking is a much larger one than was the case when the original registration of men from 21 to 30 years was held. The number of men to be reached and acquainted with their duties under the new law is much larger.

Only by the same patriotic co-operation that we have enjoyed from the press before, can this big task be accomplished in the very short time allowed for it. This office desires now to express again its deep appreciation of the important work that has been done by the newspaper editors of the state in the publication of news sent out to educate the public to the requirements of the first registration a year ago, more recently of the registration of the 21-year old men, and from time to time of other information of importance. We realize the many calls made upon the newspapers to aid in war publicity. We therefore, as before, will continue news articles sent out to essential facts and to the briefest space possible.

IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL, WAR TIME

INTERESTING MATTERS UNDER DISCUSSION AT THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 10.—(Special Correspondence.)—Congressman J. Hampton Moore, of Pennsylvania, is following closely the discussion of the census bill. If the new census is to include an investigation of the manufacturing industries of the country he insists that it should embrace them all, and not be limited to special fields of production, as recommended by the census committee. Mr. Moore believes, also, that the reports of the census should contain statistics showing how many industries have been put out of business of account of the war. "Our laws ought to be uniform," pertinently suggests Mr. Moore, "and our procedure against the industries in favor of them should be general."

Cramton's Prohi Resolution.

Information of value to those engaged in the fight for prohibition will be available if the house agrees to a resolution presented to it by Representative Louis C. Cramton, of Michigan. It directs the fuel administration to report to the house what, if any, order has been issued restricting the supply of coal to those engaged in the production of intoxicating liquors, and to what extent. It is the contention of Mr. Cramton and other friends of prohibition that the saving of coal, even without considering the economy in grain consumption, is sufficient reason for nation-wide prohibition at this time, and it is their purpose to make the use of the information secured from the fuel administration in furtherance of that end.

Put 'Em to Work.

Congressman Sherman E. Burroughs, of New Hampshire, stands ready to support any legislation having for its object the putting to work of the large numbers of alien enemies and disloyal American citizens interned in this country. Mr. Burroughs and the people of his district take the position that the obligation of such persons to the country of their chosen residence does not cease with their internment, and in the present crisis they should be compelled to render.

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HUNTING SEASON OPENS AUGUST 15

FOLLOWING ARE THE GAME LAWS, TAKEN FROM DISTRICT NUMBER TWO.

As the hunting season will open August 15, we are requested to print the law which relates to district No. 2, which comprises the territory east of the Cascade range. The following are the game laws taken from the 1917-18 statute and printed in pamphlet form by the game commission: District No. 2.

The open season on game animals and game birds in District No. 2 of the state of Oregon shall be as follows:

Game animals—Deer with horns, open season from September 1 to October 31 of each year. Bag limit of such deer, two during any one season, except in Klamath, Malheur and Harney counties the open season for deer with horns shall be from August 15 to October 15 of each year. Bag limit of such deer, two during any one season.

Game Birds—Ducks, geese, rails, coots and shore birds. Open season from October 1 to January 15 of the following year. Bag limit 30 of such birds in any seven consecutive days. Provided that in Malheur, Harney, Lake and Grant counties the open season shall be from September 15 to December 31 of each year.

Sage Hens—Open season from August 1 to August 31 of each year. Prairie chickens, open season in Union, Wasco and Sherman counties, October 1 to October 15 of each year. Bag limit, five of any or all such birds in any day or ten in any seven consecutive days. Open season in Malheur and Harney counties on sage hen, August 1 to September 15 of each year. Bag limit, 15 in any seven consecutive days.

Blue or sooty grouse, ruffed grouse or native pheasant, open season from August 15 to October 31 of each year. Bag limit, five of any or all such birds during any one day or ten in any seven consecutive days.

There shall be no open season for mountain or plumed, California or valley quail, except in Klamath county, where the open season shall be from October 1 to October 10. Bag limit, ten of such birds in any consecutive days.

Doves, open season from September 1 to October 31 of each year. Bag limit, ten of such birds in any one day or 20 in any seven consecutive days. Open season in Malheur and Harney counties, August 1 to September 30 of each year.

There shall be no open season on Chinese pheasants in Game District No. 2 of the state of Oregon, except in Union county, in which county the open season for Chinese pheasants shall extend from October 1 to October 10 of each year. Bag limit, five of such birds during any one day, or ten during any seven consecutive days; provided, that no female Chinese pheasant shall be killed at any time; and except that in the county of Hood River there shall be an open season from the first day of October to the tenth day of October in each year on male Chinese pheasants, during which time the bag limit shall be three male birds in any one day, and not to exceed ten male birds during the entire open season.

It shall be unlawful at any time for any person within the state of Oregon, after having killed any deer, to mutilate or have in possession, the carcass or skin thereof in any manner so as to disguise the sex and prevent the same from being ascertained or determined; and it shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession the plucked carcass in manner so as to disguise the species or kind of any game bird while in the field or forest, or while upon any highway, train, car, boat, or other conveyance, when returning from any hunting trip with gun or other hunting equipment.

It shall be unlawful within the state of Oregon for any person, at any time, to have in possession more than 40 pounds of any dried, smoked, evaporated or jerked venison or deer meat.

CHOIR TO SING AGAIN.

Community Chorus Will Participate in Service Tomorrow Evening.

At the request of interested parties, namely the Council of Defense, the Community Choir has consented to assist in the services tomorrow evening when Dr. John Boyd of Portland comes here to deliver his famous lecture "Unmasking Germany." The services will be held at the Methodist church at 8 o'clock but the choir has been called together at 4 p. m. Sunday, to run over the numbers and become acquainted with the organ and seating arrangements. The choir will probably occupy seats in the gallery and be directed from the organ.

SAWMILL DESTROYED BY FIRE.

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 9.—John Robbins' sawmill at Swan Lake valley has been destroyed by fire with a loss of over \$10,000, the blaze having been caused from a spark on the roof of the mill building.

LOCAL UNIT HONORED IN PUBLIC WAY

COMMUNITY TO OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY OF BOY'S DEPARTURE.

SPECIAL SEATS FOR THE PARENTS OF THE LADS

Departure of Hospital unit A Year Ago Next Wednesday to be Properly Observed in Informal Program, Nature of Which to be Made Public Monday—No Collection Taken.

Suitable anniversary ceremonies to commemorate the first year the La Grande Hospital unit has been in service, will be held next Wednesday evening at the Methodist church. The precise nature of the program will be announced Monday but it is intended to be a community affair. One year ago Wednesday the La Grande Hospital unit left for Clackamas and soon after departed for France, having been overseas most of the time in the initial year.

The public is invited to attend, and there will be no collections or admission fees. Parents of members have seats reserved for them, and have seats reserved for them, and the program will be one suited for the occasion.

Final announcements of the program will be made next week, but in the meantime, the community should keep the date in mind and have an overflow audience present to let the boys abroad know we remember the date of their departure.

G. A. R. IN NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT HERE

Great interest is being manifested throughout the Northwest in the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic which is to be held in Portland, Oregon, August 10 to 24. It will be the first encampment ever held in the Pacific Northwest and undoubtedly the last time the old soldiers of 1861-65 will ever come to the Pacific Coast. Portland expects thousands of people from Washington, Idaho and Oregon to be present to welcome the veterans and to do them homage. They are the aires and grandaies of the boys of today who are fighting in France for the same eternal principles.

Members of the Grand Army, the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons and Daughters of Veterans and their families, can purchase tickets at one cent per mile by securing a certificate from the Commander of the nearest G. A. R. Post.

Portland will entertain the Grand Army in magnificent style. The great parade is to be held Tuesday, August 20th.

MARLBOROUGH CHURCHILL



Col. Marlborough Churchill, head of the military intelligence section of the general staff, U. S. A., will hereafter assume the duties of chief military censor, succeeding Maj. Gen. Frank McIntyre. It is expected that Colonel Churchill will soon be promoted to the rank of brigadier general.

DRIVES WILL CONTINUE TO BITTER END

FOCH WILL NOT LET UP IN HIS PRESENT TACTICS, SAYS GENERAL MARCH.

AMERICA'S FINAL TEST HOUR HAS ARRIVED

Hammer Hard and Long Is Now the Attitude Taken by the War Department—Guessing State, Which Germany Is In, Has Proven Big Advantage to the Allied Forces.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—Chief of Staff General March, today in his weekly interview with correspondents, said that the time has come for America's greatest effort.

He went on to say that the hour has arrived when this country must hit hard and keep hitting.

General March indicated that Chief Commander Foch will not delay his driving tactics. He said the allies now have the enemy guessing, which, he declared, was a great advantage, and one that comes only to the offensive army.

General March disclosed that British camps cannot hold the prisoners now being taken. He confirmed the capture of a German general and his staff, and said the advance east of Amiens had formed a new pocket similar to that on the Soissons-Rheims line and said the railroad running south from Chateau, over which the Germans in Montdidier obtained their supplies, had been put under a heavy fire by allied artillery, and that the capture of this important railroad will force a German retirement from Montdidier.

DEHYDRATING PLANT PROJECT

LETTER RECEIVED FROM PORTCHAMBER OF COMMERCE BY MR. MCKENNON.

"That 'it pays to advertise' was well illustrated this morning, when J. D. McKennon, chairman of the committee in charge of the project for the establishment in La Grande of a dehydrating plant, on the free site offered some time ago by Mr. McKennon, who received this morning the following letter from the Portland Chamber of Commerce:

Portland, Or., Aug. 8, 1918.—Mr. J. D. McKennon, La Grande, Oregon. Dear sir: Your letter of August 6 received. We do not know whether you are acting in harmony with your commercial club, but we are taking it that you are, and with that assumption on our part we have written the club today for information as to acreage at and near your city now raising vegetables and fruit that could be used by a canning, or dehydrating plant. We trust our action in writing the club will meet with your approval, and that with a combined effort there will be established a factory in your city that will be a credit to any town. Yours very truly, Portland Chamber of Commerce, Oregon Development, by George Quayle, Secretary.

Mr. McKennon stated that this letter will be taken up at once by the La Grande Commercial club for action.

ROOSEVELT ENDS OUTING.

DARK HARBOR, Me., Aug. 9.—Former President Roosevelt brought his vacation on the Maine coast to a close today, after a visit of two weeks with his daughter, Mrs. Richard Derby. With Mrs. Roosevelt, he left for New York.