

HUNS USE BIG FLEETS OF AIRSHIPS

FOR PAST TWO DAYS AMERICAN FRONT LINES HAVE BEEN HEAVILY BOMBED.

GERMANS ARE AGAIN PREPARING TO GIVE GROUND

Losses in Picardy Cause Retirement of Enemy To Depth of Two Miles On Nine Mile Front in Flanders.—Vieux Berquin Is Also Evacuated To Allies.

WITH THE AMERICANS IN FRANCE, August 15.—(By United Press.)—More aeroplane bombs by far than shells from artillery have been thrown into the Veulle River sector by the Germans for the past two days.

Great fleets of German airplanes are crossing and re-crossing the lines and are submitting the American front line trenches and rear positions to sharp bomb fire. Infantry operations in this sector are confined to raids.

LITTLE FIGHTING ON OISE

PARIS, August 15.—(By United Press.)—The War Office here today announces that raids and exchanges of artillery fire are the only operations to be reported between the Aisne and Oise rivers.

FRENCH HOLD GAINS.

Are Now Within Two Miles Of Important City Of Noyon.

PARIS, August 15.—(By United Press.)—The French continue in possession of German positions in the Aisne Valley, north of Ribecourt, which the French captured during the past few days, and which the Germans, by counter attacks have been seeking to regain. French outposts have now been established one mile east of Ribecourt and one mile north of the same city.

French troops have also reached the forest of Otrancamp, thus extending their lines from Plimprez to within two miles of Noyon.

WITHDRAW TOWARD BAPAUME

Germans Are Still Heated For The Battlefront.

WITH THE BRITISH AND FRENCH FORCES, August 15.—(By United Press.)—The German withdrawal towards the city of Bapaume is apparently still in progress, big movements of men and guns being reported by airmen.

CATHEDRAL IS RE-DEDICATED.

PARIS, August 15.—(By United Press.)—Amiens cathedral, which has not been used for religious service for some time, owing to the building being within range of the German guns, and which has been protected with sandbags, was today rededicated and will henceforth be open to worshippers.

HUNS RETIRE IN FLANDERS

LONDON, August 15.—(By United Press.)—It was learned here today that the Germans have withdrawn from one to two miles on a nine mile front at the western edge of the Flanders salient. They have also evacuated Vieux Berquin, three miles north of Merville.

HEAVY BATTLE LAST NIGHT

Allies Advance Despite Desperate Nature Of Struggle.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—(By United Press.)—The allies were still advancing last night in spite of severe local fighting. The sharpest struggle took place east of Raincourt, six miles northeast of Chaulnes, reports Field Marshal Haig. Patrol and infantry raiding activities in various sectors are reported, even as far north as Flanders.

HUNTERS GO TO HILLS

General Exodus Commences at Midnight and Continues During Day.

Commencing last midnight, there was a general exodus of hunters for regions where grouse feed. There is rumor of a fine prospect for hunters this year, as the season seems to have favored the young birds, and those who went out were confident of getting their limit before nightfall.

CAPT. H. E. S. CORDEAUX



The island of St. Helena, to which Napoleon was exiled after the battle of Waterloo, may be the future home of another would-be world conqueror. Its governor is Capt. H. E. S. Cordeaux of the British army.

MEMORABLE IS THE GATHERING

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE IS HELD AT METHODIST CHURCH

La Grande Hospital Unit Is Remembered At Service For Seven New Recruits.

Several hundred people attended last evening at the Methodist Church to honor the 83 boys who left La Grande for France in the La Grande Hospital unit one year ago yesterday, and to pay respects to seven sturdy young men who this morning left for service in the national army. The meeting was brief and wholly fitting. While the audience sang the national anthem a pretty pantomime was enacted. Columbia, flanked on either side by a Red Cross nurse, stood forth as the lights were flashed on.

After prayer by Rev. Feece, the audience sang, and the two nurses took a more conspicuous stand on the rostrum. H. E. Dixon was the first speaker and addressing the selected men, especially told of their patriotic attitude. He also explained something about the questionnaires and prophesied a happy return of the warriors. Mrs. Leffel and Mrs. Boardine Fraker-Gambel each sang patriotic songs, and then Robert Eakin spoke a few minutes upon the broad international policy the United States has always adhered to, and closed by reminding his audience of the formation, a year ago, of the hospital unit and something of the splendid service the unit has performed. He mentioned the untimely death of Bert Andrews as the only casualty to date within the unit.

The meeting closed with a period of prayer and service. During the evening Miss Naomi Williamson recited Van Dyke's famous verses inspired by his view of the Goddess of Liberty after his return from Holland as ex-ambassador to sound the cry of alarm. Mrs. W. A. Winters presided at the organ and as an interlude, played the Marseillaise, the French national anthem.

AVIATOR WINSLOW THOUGHT KILLED

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-VESE FRONT, Aug. 15.—Lieutenant Allan Winslow, of Chicago, the first American trained aviator to shoot down a German airplane on the Toul front in April, disappeared during a flight north of the Vesle river and is believed to have been killed. Lieutenant Winslow was escorting observer planes when he disappeared.

AUSTRIANS OUSTED

Strategic Points Taken, With Prisoners, North of Adamello.

ROME, Aug. 15.—Italian forces have occupied Monte Mantello P. Luna di Matteo and the spur southeast of Cima Zigolon, north of the Adamello region, according to an official statement issued by the war office. They have also captured 100 prisoners.

73,000 HUNS TAKEN SINCE JULY 15TH

PARIS JOURNAL REASSERTS ITS FIGURES ON PRISONERS ARE AUTHENTIC.

34,340 GERMANS WERE CAPTURED IN LAST DRIVE

Seventeen Hundred Pieces of Artillery Included Among Spoils Taken By Allied Armies Operating On The Marne And Picardy Fronts

LONDON, August 15.—(By United Press.)—The number of Germans taken prisoner since the inception of the allied drive in Picardy to date totals 34,340, of which the French have captured 8,500. The remainder of the prisoners fell to British troops, Field Marshal Haig announces today.

FRENCH CLAIM 10,000.

PARIS, August 15.—(By United Press.)—Including the 10,000 Germans taken by the armies of General Humbert in the operations in Picardy, which are still developing, the number of prisoners captured by the allies since July 15, total 73,000 and 1700 pieces of artillery. The Echo de Paris, in publishing these figures, again declares that they are substantially correct.

MUST SIGN UP FOR "SUGAR SHARING" CARD AUGUST 25

On the 25th of August, before a housewife can purchase any sugar, for any use whatever, she will have to sign up with her grocer a "Sugar Sharing" card, which cards bind the purchaser of sugar on their honor not to hoard sugar, and to can all fruits without the use of sugar, also to dry all fruits and vegetables.

The maximum allowance of two pounds of sugar per month per person will be rigidly enforced, and as a record will be kept, filed in the food administrator's office, there will be no chance for "repeaters" to get supplies of sugar at other stores.

YOUNG MAN DETAINED.

A young man passing through La Grande, who had no registration card with him, was apprehended by the police department to await investigation. The name given was M. Allison and he claims Tacoma, Washington, as his recent home. He stated he had a registration card but mailed it to his home, and that it has been lost.

When apprehended last night, he was riding on his motorcycle, on the way from Buell, Idaho, to Portland. His machine broke down here, and he shipped that on ahead to Portland.

The police are today in communication with his home people, and by night will probably have heard from them.

WEATHER REPORT.

PORTLAND, August 15.—Showers.

CALL MEN FOR LIMITED SERVICE

TWELVE THOUSAND RECRUITS TO BE READY FOR TRAINING ON AUG. 30.

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 15.—(By United Press.)—Secretary of War Baker today has issued a call for 12,000 whites for limited service. The new recruits are to be forwarded for entrainment by August 30.

NEW CASUALTY LIST OUT.

Secretary Of War Announces 112 New Names.

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 15.—(By United Press.)—Secretary of War Baker today announced a new casualty list, containing 112 names of killed and injured men.

THRESHING IS ON IN UNION COUNTY

GOVERNMENT FOOD INSPECTORS VISIT WHEAT FIELDS WITH AGENT SPILLMAN.

County Agent Paul H. Spillman, accompanied by J. M. Benefiel, of the food administration, working out of New York, with his home in Indianapolis, and C. E. Porter, a former resident of Eastern Oregon, yesterday motored out to a few of the big wheat fields, where harvest is just now in full swing.

The object of the visits of these government men is to see that so far as possible all waste is prevented at the threshing machines, and that the crew keeps accurate account of the bushels threshed, as well as the acres threshed for each farmer.

They tested several machines during the day and some were doing very good work, cleaning the grain to meet within the requirements of the government. On the other hand they tested machines that were showing a woeful waste. The law dealing with the matter of waste, in part, reads as follows: "It is hereby unlawful for any person knowingly to waste or willfully permit preventable destruction of any necessities. The food administration is authorized under the law, to deal with all cases of waste, and the penalty is very severe."

The question of saving grain is a matter of great importance. Each kernel of grain wasted might be taken from our boys in France, while they are defending the freedom of those at home. Careless waste is a sin. The council of defense is expected to report to the office of the county food administrator all cases of willful or careless waste of grain.

This county will be represented by the county food administrator and a threshing committee, who will continue to look after the threshing and see that there is no unnecessary waste. Anything coming up in regard to waste or assistance needed to prevent waste should be reported to the food administration.

The party returned to the city late last night, and Messrs. Benefiel and Porter took an early train for Baker this morning.

In speaking of the trip, Mr. Spillman said the farmers are just getting a good start here in Union county and there is evidence that the crops will turn out better than was at first anticipated.

It rained very hard at Hot Lake about 7 o'clock last evening, Mr. Spillman said, but a mile this side of the lake there was no rain at all. What rain there was east of Hot Lake, he stated, would interfere with harvesting a little, but not to any great extent.

NO QUORUM HOLDS UP DRAFT BILL

ONLY 43 SENATORS PRESENT WHEN PROPOSAL TO RECONVENE IS PUT.

UP TO US TO WIN THE WAR AND WE CAN WIN IT

March Unqualifiedly Favors Young Men For Front Line Work—Says Those Between 18 and 20 Have No Responsibilities and Are In Best Physical Condition.

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 15.—(By United Press.)—An American army of four million men working with the allies in France under a capable commander-in-chief will enable us to "go through the German line wherever we please," Chief of Staff March declared before the Senate Military Affairs committee today.

This testimony was given in the committee and prompted the members to urge quick action on the new man power bill framed by Senator Chamberlain, chairman of this committee.

Chief of Staff March said: "It is up to us to win this war and we can win it. But if we drag along without getting action on the bill, it will be playing Germany's game."

March further said: "My own opinion unqualifiedly favors the utilization of young men for active work at the front. Men between the ages of 18 and 20 are usually unmarried and they have not yet settled down to any fixed habits, nor have they encumbrances. Besides they are physically better fitted to undertake the strenuous duties at the front than the older men."

"We expect to have all the men affected by the proposed draft in France by the month of July, 1919."

Later, Lack of a quorum this afternoon brought to nought an attempt to have Senate reconvene on Monday to reconsider the new man power bill. Only 43 senators were present when the proposal was introduced.

IMPORTANT MEETING

There will be a meeting of high school boys, present membership and those coming in next fall, at the auditorium of the high school Friday evening. Audmer Playle, student body president, is calling the meeting to dispose of some important matters before the boys at the present time.

BAGGED THE LIMIT.

Today being the first day for hunting grouse, Nate Zweifel and E. T. Andrews took an early start this morning, and in a very short time after they left La Grande had reached their hunting grounds, and before 9 o'clock had returning to the city with the limit, five grouse each.

These are probably the first hunters of the season, that, so short a time, each obtained the limit for one day's shoot.

MAKING AERIAL BOMBS



While their brothers are fighting the battle of liberty on the front in France the women of England are seeking to speed the cause to a victorious finish by working night and day in munition factories to turn out hundreds of thousands of war weapons. This picture shows a woman worker in one of England's largest factories, acetylene welding the bodies of aerial bombs.

GERMANS MAY HOLD DEFENSES

LOSS OF MAN POWER IS NOW STATED TO BE TOO SERIOUS FOR EARLY RECOVERY.

LONDON, August 15.—(By United Press.)—The number of German infantry now believed to be engaged is far below that which the scope of the operations would warrant, and it is believed that the man power of the enemy is rapidly diminishing.

Thirty-five enemy divisions are now employed on Field Marshal Haig's front, with only 15 divisions held in reserve.

It is now doubtful whether the Germans will be able to undertake another offensive during the present year.

The latest unofficial reports credit Haig with having captured 34,000 Germans since August 8th. It was given out today that the total number of casualties to British forces since the start of the Picardy drive on August 8th, is less than the number of German prisoners.

U. S. TROOPS ARE IN SIBERIA

TWENTY-SEVENTH INFANTRY SENT FROM MANILA TO VLADIVOSTOK.

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 15.—(By United Press.)—The 27th Infantry from Manila, Philippines, is arriving at Vladivostok today, Secretary of War Baker announced.

This is the first announcement to be made to the effect that American troops are to operate in Siberia.

HEALTH IS GOOD

American Soldiers Said to Be Making New World's Records.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—American troops are setting world records for health and low death rates.

In announcing today that deaths from disease among the troops for the week ending July 26 were at the rate of 1.9 per thousand a year, Surgeon General Gorgas said such a record never had been surpassed by any military establishment.

GERMAN PAPERS ARE DEMANDING MEETING

PARIS, Aug. 14.—The German newspapers are demanding a special session of the Reichstag committee, in view of the "grave situation in the interior and exterior," according to a dispatch from Berne, Switzerland.

FARMING AS A SCIENCE IN UNION

WHAT THE EASTERN OREGON EXPERIMENTAL STATION IS DOING.

ONLY BEARLESS RYE IN ENTIRE WORLD

Pure Bred Saddlers, Percheron Work Horses — "Hogging-off" Crops A Specialty — Rotation Of Crops To Eastern Oregon Farmers—Silage Crops.

(By W. C. Cowgill.)
(Staff Correspondent.)

WITH THE AMERICAN FARMERS ARMY, UNION, ORE., August 12.—(By United Press. Special Service.)—As I look down the long rows of golden, waving grain, one hallow after another, as if impelled forward, like the irresistible waves of the ocean, gliding in the bright autumn sunshine, spreading amongst the farmers of Eastern Oregon that scientific knowledge which will enable them to respond to the call of Uncle Sam to produce two blades of grass where was one before, each and every one better able to meet the straining of war conditions, I can visualize with Superintendent Robert Withycombe, the grand results to be obtained by these sons of the soil, in the tons and tons of food stuff, soon to be sent to our boys over there.

Objects Of These Farms.

How many really know the full purposes, objects and aims of the Eastern Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station at Union?

Who supports this "school of farming?" For that is just what it is, a veritable school where valuable knowledge, incident to the calling of the vast majority of our citizens—the farmer—is taught.

Of course the State of Oregon allows annually \$7,500, and that sum is only a starter—a "home base," as it were, to which a run may be made for safety in time of storm.

But these appropriations are immensely increased by the earnings of the farm itself.

But how, you ask?

It is very simple, the appropriations simply pay the overhead expenses of operation, but, after the experiments have been made with grains, fruits, vegetables, pure bred live stock—for none but the best are bred here—all the surplus of animals, or grain, or what not, is sold, as would be the case on any other farm. These products, especially the grain, are sold at the market price, except what few samples are given away as seed samples of new varieties to farmers who agree to use them as such and keep record of the results for use of their neighbors, as well as the Experiment Farm itself.

Thus with these tidy earnings from the farm, each year the station is enabled to broaden its work on experimental lines, which the annual appropriation could not possibly cover.

In The Experimental Fields.

There are 620 acres of land, practically all under cultivation. The Union Station is one of the largest in the entire west, but few stations having sufficient land to produce experimental crops in quantities and then derive further experimental data by feeding live stock the products of the farm itself, such as is accomplished at the Union Station.

This was all due to the forethought of the late Governor Penoyer, during his administration, when the land was purchased by the State. He realized that in laying the foundation for an institution of this kind that the time to buy land was at the very beginning.

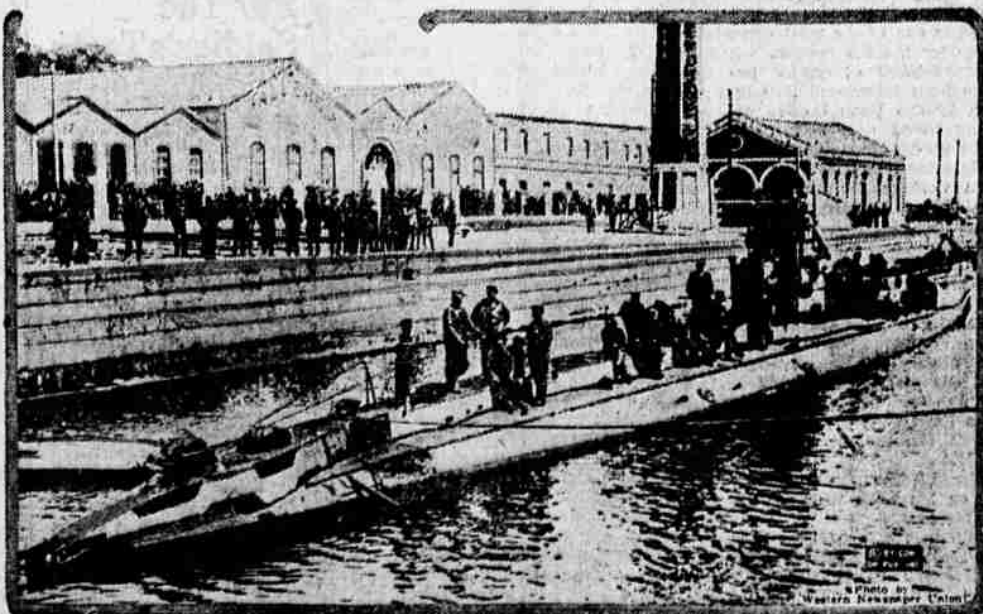
The work at the experimental station covers a large field of investigation.

Careful thought has been given to soil tillage, rotation of crops, conservation of soil fertility, the improvement of grains, and forage crops, the feeding and breeding of livestock pertaining especially to Eastern Oregon conditions.

Forage Crops. Field peas are used freely in connection with the cropping system. These make excellent feed and work nicely with mixtures of either oat or hard barley for both hay and ensilage purposes.

A striking feature of this year's (Continued on Page Two)

DAMAGED GERMAN U-BOAT IN SPANISH PORT



This German submarine, interned in a Spanish port, was damaged in an encounter with an American patrol yacht.