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NEWS THAT FOE RETIRES PLEAS- ING TO PARIS

Paris, Nov. 4.—What the Belgian official communication designated as the "precipitate retreat" of the Germans before the advance of the allies on the Yser river in Belgium was pleasing news to Parisians today, even though previous developments had given the hope that this soon would be the case.

The significance of the move is the chief topic of discussion.

There is much speculation as to the destination of the Germans, as the Belgian communication merely said that they were retreating toward the east. The fact that the allies retained in this section the positions they occupied the day before would seem to indicate that the Germans had not been pushed far.

General Berthold, the military critic, in his comment on the news, did not regard the retreat as a well-defined victory for the allies.

To him it appears more like a falling back as the result of exhaustion and because the Germans found it impossible to remain longer in the inundated country.

London, Nov. 4.—Although the battle of the Yser does not seem to have been a decisive one, it is correct to say that the German forces have been driven from the Belgian coast. The situation is serious and they are concentrating huge forces in the vicinity of Ypres. It is there, in the opinion of military observers, that a renewed German

struggle to break through the allied line will center.

From the coast to Lille the Germans have 11 army corps, roughly a half million men. The English papers point out that this situation still is undecided and that it should not be assumed that the Germans yet have been decisively beaten in Belgium.

That the allies have been throwing fresh troops into Belgium is indicated in today's official account from the British front.

OREGON DRY BY A LARGE MAJORITY

The latest returns show that Oregon has gone dry by over 15,000 votes.

This year seems to have been a "landslide" for prohibition and besides Oregon, three other states have joined the dries. They are Washington, Colorado and Arizona.

Only two out of the six states voting on this amendment rejected prohibition. — California and Ohio both voted to retain saloons.

BANGS LIVERY RUNS STAGE

The first stage operated by the Bangs Livery Co. between Florence and the Siuslaw left Thursday morning.

Wednesday Captains William and Arnie Safey with the Minnie Mitchell and Queen towed the equipment to the landing below Florence. It comprised 12 horses, three wagons and feed.

LARGEST VOTE EVER CAST IN FLORENCE

Chamberlain Has Many Republican Friends—Hollister Polls a Strong Vote—County Division Lost.

With a polling strength of 340 votes Florence closed election Tuesday, giving all republican candidates a majority except Hawley and Christensen, Booth running way below the republican majority.

On prohibition amendment, Florence gave yes 211, no 82.

Other initiative and referendum measures received a strong negative vote except the "amendment of section 2 of article II of the constitution of Oregon," requiring voters to be citizens of the United States. Complete figures are not available on county division but it has lost its 65 per cent within the territory proposed for a new county by about 100 votes, and lost the 35 per cent necessary in the other portion of the Lane county by over 500 votes. Siuslaw county received a large majority in Florence, Glenada, Mapleton, Minerva, Herman and Heceta precincts, but this was not sufficient to overcome the opposition caused by the location of the division line, this factor alone being responsible for nearly 200 votes against it within its own territory, and between 600 and 800 in the eastern part of the county, and causing the defeat of Siuslaw county.

The state ticket is republican with the exception of Chamberlain, who wins by a majority that proclaims his popularity. Those elected were:

Geo. E. Chamberlain, United States senator; W. C. Hawley, representative in congress; James Withycombe, governor; Thomas B. Kay, treasurer; Henry J. Bean, Henry L. Benson, Lawrence T. Harris and Thomas A. McBride, justices of the supreme court; George M. Brown, attorney general; J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction; John I. Lewis, state engineer; O. P. Hoff, commissioner of labor; Frank J. Miller, commissioner; James T. Chinnock, superintendent of water division one.

The result of the county offices will be: Isaac Bingham, senator, E. A. Cusick, joint senator; Walter B. Dillard, Allen Eaton and Melvin Fenwick, representatives; Harry Bown county judge; Stacy Russell, clerk; James C. Parker, sheriff; Mahlon H. Harlow, commissioner; Samuel W. Taylor, treasurer; Hollis W. Libby, surveyor; Marion Veatch coroner.

Returns from Florence, Mapleton, Glenada, Minerva and Herman give on port commissioners give J. W. Bergman 334, P. E. Jackson 304, E. R. McCornack 415. Several precincts are to be heard from yet.

In the Florence justice district the vote resulted J. W. Goude 278, Wilkinson 160, McLaughlin 261, Petersen 126, resulting in Goude being elected justice of the peace and McLaughlin constable.

ENGLISH SHIPS ARE BELIEVED TO BE LOST

Valparaiso, Chile, Nov. 5.—A wireless cry from the British cruiser Glasgow—intercepted by the Germans—was the last word received from Rear-Admiral Craddock's squadron following the engagement off the Chilean coast Sunday.

The Germans saw the Monmouth sink and heard an explosion on board the Good Hope that they believe sent the crippled battleship to the bottom.

All that night the German cruiser Nurnberg searched the seas unsuccessfully for the Good Hope. They picked up a radiogram directed to the flagship by the Glasgow. There was no reply.

There were about 600 men on the Monmouth when the ship disappeared beneath the waves. Admiral Craddock had 900 men with him on board the Good Hope.

MOTHERS MEETING HELD

The members of the local W. C. T. U. held a "Mothers Meeting" at the home of Mrs. D. H. Robinson Saturday afternoon. Several articles on appropriate subjects were read including one by Mrs. Goodwin on "The Influence of Music." A luncheon of hot biscuits and chocolate was served.

The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ella Dammoe on Washington street, Saturday afternoon.

PORT TAX THREE MILLS THIS YEAR

At the regular monthly meeting of the port commissioners last Wednesday it was voted to assess a three mill tax for port purposes, this is to meet the current expenses of the year.

A motion was also carried to immediately take steps to ascertain the wish of the taxpayers in regard to selling the issue of \$100,000 port bonds, to continue the work of extending the jetties. It is believed this work is necessary and should be done without waiting for the action of congress, which is expected to appropriate \$125,000 additional at its next session.

GLENADA VOTES SALOONS

The town of Glenada voted on the question of "Prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes within the corporate limits of the town of Glenada as a whole," resulting in, For Prohibition 51, Against Prohibition 59.

This gives a majority of 8 for the wets of that town and it is expected that the council will issue a saloon license if it is found they can legally, though it is understood the election will be contested.

ARE NOW CARRYING FREIGHT

The Willamette Pacific is now accommodating the Siuslaw peo-

ple by carrying freight. J. A. Parker informs us that he received the first shipment of fruit over the railroad from Eugene last Wednesday. The shipment consisted of bananas and oranges and left Eugene at eight o'clock Wednesday morning, arriving in Florence about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. With the railroad taking care of small shipments it will be a great advantage to the merchants on rush orders.

LOG BOOM LIGHTS NOT NECESSARY

War Department, United States Engineers Office, First District, Portland Oregon, October 23, 1914.—The Port of Siuslaw, Florence, Oregon, Gentlemen: Referring to your letter of the 13th instant, I would advise that an investigation of the matter by this office seems to indicate that especially as there is not much night navigation on the Siuslaw river it would not seem to be necessary at the present time to compel the owners of log booms to maintain lights thereon.

Very respectfully,
(signed) JAY MORROW,
Major, Corps of Engineers.

The Fruit Growers League of Medford and the Rogue Land Canal Co. are taking steps toward securing irrigation in Rogue River Valley entailing expenditure of \$2,000,000.

PREPARING FOR RAILROAD CELEBRATION

W. H. Jenkins, traveling passenger agent of the Southern Pacific was in Florence Thursday. He was accompanied by Joe Morris, Jr. of Mapleton. The gentlemen were here in the interests of a railroad day at Mapleton.

The people of Mapleton are planning to celebrate the coming of the railroad to the head of tide, and will invite the Willamette valley to take advantage of an excursion to Mapleton, and be the guests of the Siuslaw people. The date has not been set, but it is expected to be about the middle of November.

It is understood that the Mapleton people want to make this celebration of the railroad a Siuslaw proposition and will ask all the communities of the river to take part.

Messrs Jenkins and Morris were taken to the mouth of the river by Florence business men, and upon their return Mr. Jenkins expressed himself as being quite satisfied with the future of the Siuslaw, and that it ought to be an attraction to those desiring to spend their vacation on the coast, providing certain accommodations were provided.

Plans are being prepared by R. L. Chapman for rearrangement of interior of Dallas hospital building for use as an apartment house.

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