

GERMANS CLAIM THE FRENCH LOSE

Berlin War Office Says Enemy Was Unsuccessful in Attempts.

(Special to The Argus.)

Berlin, by wireless to London.—The war office gave out the following statement: "The bad weather in the western theater of the war continues. The Lys has in certain places flooded the country to a width of 800 meters. "The enemy's attempts to eject us from our positions in the dunes of Nieuport failed. "Northeast of Soissons the French repeated their attacks. They were all repulsed with great losses to the enemy. We captured more than 100 prisoners. The battle at Soissons itself recommenced. The French have again fiercely attacked. Their attacks have broken down, with heavy losses to them. We took several prisoners. "In the Argonne we have gained further ground. In this district and also in the neighborhood of Apremont, north of Toul, the battles continue."

With the gradual completion of the grading on the new Willamette-Pacific line between Eugene and Coos Bay, forces are being materially decreased. With the exception of a few places, which will not be finished until April, the completion of virtually the entire grade is now a matter of a few weeks.

HARNEY COUNTY FIGHTS RABBITS

About a Thousand Scalps Per Day Are Received by County Clerk.

(Special to The Argus.)

Burns.—On January 2 the jack-rabbit bounty bill went into effect in Harney county, with an item of \$31,000 in the budget for this purpose. Since the first of the year, rabbits' ears have been flowing into the clerk's office at the rate of about 1000 a day. Every conceivable device for capturing the pests is in use, the most effective being a movable corral made of wire netting in which a little alfalfa is placed. A trap gate on one side of the corral closes after the rabbit enters.

E. Henry Wemme, a prominent citizen of Portland, died of diabetes in a Los Angeles hospital at the age of 54. The sum of \$500,000 has been lopped off the appropriation for the north jetty at the mouth of the Columbia river.

By a unanimous vote the state board of control voted to retain Will S. Hale as superintendent of the state school for boys.

Joe Gould, arrested at Oregon City on a charge of counterfeiting, was released by the federal authorities in Portland.

Officials of the Willamette Valley Southern Electric, have announced that the line will have regular service before February 1.

RABIES MAY SPREAD IN BAKER COUNTY

County Court Refuses to Pay Further for Work of Eradication.

(Special to The Argus.)

Baker.—The county court has refused to pay further for the work on county stock in stamping out rabies, and Dr. Notz, inspector, refusing to bear the expense after his office was abolished, has refused to receive coyote heads for inspection. This means, it is believed, that the epidemic, fairly well stamped out at present, will be increased, as county quarantine is possible only under strict supervision, which is taken away with the abolishment of the office of inspector.

Governor West has appointed Miss Henrietta E. Failing of Portland chairman of the woman's section of the Oregon Belgian relief committee.

Added appropriations for the protection of Oregon's timber resources are recommended in the annual report of the Oregon conservation commission.

A "Buy At Home" campaign is to be launched by the promotion department of the Salem commercial club immediately after the first of the year.

Spanish American war veterans at Albany formed a rifle club which will be affiliated with the National Rifle association. Frank C. Stellmacher is president.

GERMAN TROOPS EVACUATE LILLE

Claimed in London That Germans Have Met With Repulse.

(Special to The Argus.)

London.—A dispatch to the Daily Express from Boulogne asserts that confirmation has been obtained of the rumors that the Germans have evacuated Lille and that the city is now virtually in the possession of the British.

FARMERS' WEEK AT IDAHO UNIVERSITY

(Special to The Argus.)

Moscow.—Farmers' and Housekeepers' week will be held at the university from January 25 to 30, inclusive. The week has been divided in the discussion of particular problems of farming and housekeeping. The farmers will have field crops day, dairymen's day, livestock day, horticultural day and the Poultry and Bee Men's conference and Rural Life conference. The Housekeepers' conference will take up the entire week in discussion on the home.

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Gidman I. Dingman, deceased, by order of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Malheur. Any and all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present them, duly verified as by law required, to the said administratrix at her home near Onatario, Oregon, or to her attorneys, McCulloch & Wood, in said city, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Done and dated and first published this 17 day of December, 1914.

HAZEL LAVERN DINGMAN, Administratrix.

APPLICATION FOR GRAZING PERMITS.

Notice is hereby given that all applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, and sheep within the Malheur National Forest during the season of 1915, must be filed in my office at John Day, Oregon, on or before February 28, 1915. Full information in regard to the grazing fees to be charged and blank forms to be used in making application will be furnished upon request.

Cy J. Bingham, Supervisor.

The Eighth Grade Final Examinations will be held on January 14th and 15th, 1915. Teachers having pupils ready for this examination will please send in their names at once.

MISS FAY CLARK, Superintendent.

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NEWS OF SEA FIGHT IS NOT CREDITED

(Special to The Argus.)

Rio de Janeiro.—The minister of marine, Admiral Alencar, said that the rumor of a naval combat off Rio Grande del Norte, probably originated in the departure of the Invincible from Pernambuco, which coincided with the passing of the Argentine dreadnought Rivadavia, three miles off shore. Naval officers discredited the rumor of the battle.

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