

GERMANS AGAIN FAIL IS RUSSIAN REPORT

Long Battle of the Four Rivers Believed Ended and New Movements Under Way.

London.—Complete failure of the German campaign of the Four Rivers which has constituted a long series of battles on the Bzura, Rawka, Pilica and Nida, with heavy losses, is reported in dispatches received from Petrograd. They contradict the Berlin contention, that the German advance is progressing.

Austrian reports of a repulse of the Russians in Galicia are also contradicted by the Petrograd dispatches.

A Petrograd dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company says: "In the opinion of experts here, the battle of the four rivers, as the long series of engagements on the Bzura, Rawka, Pilica and Nida is popularly known, may be considered ended."

"Not only have the Germans and Austrians failed to advance on the Russian north and south line, roughly lying from the Vistula to Warsaw, Kielce and Pinczow, but everywhere have been repulsed with heavy losses and the attacks now proceeding may be construed as an effort to gain time, pending new operations."

"By the occupation of Kremenetz, Zeteten, Sereth and Radantz, in Bukovina on the Roumanian frontier, Russia not only holds the strategical railway line connecting Bukovina with western Galicia and Hungary, but is within 100 miles of Hungary over easy passes of the wooded Carpathians."

BRITISH BATTLESHIP SUNK

Formidable Destroyed in the English Channel by Mine or Torpedo.

London.—The battleship Formidable, one of the older vessels of the British navy, was destroyed either by a mine or a German submarine. The place where the battleship sunk is not given, except that it was in the English channel.

Of the crew of 750 men, only 201 are known to have been rescued.

Survivors who were landed at Brixham relate that the warship was struck about the magazine. The explosion was terrific, but the magazine was not reached. Had this also blown up, the ship would have foundered without there being time to save anybody.

As the water rushed in the men on the Formidable hurried to the deck. They found that the vessel already had a heavy list to starboard.

A launch and a pinnace succeeded in getting away. Almost all the oars were broken in trying to prevent the small boats from being dashed to pieces against the side of the ship by the tremendous seas running. Captain Loxley and his signalman were still on the bridge when the battleship keeled over and went to the bottom.

Tone of British Press is Calm.

London.—Comment in the British press on the situation created by the American protest against interference with American shipping continues to absorb attention. Its tone on the whole is free from irritation, but there is a strong disposition to argue the question.

WESTERN GAINS CONTINUE SMALL

Paris.—The following official communication was issued:

"According to the latest advices received here there has been no alteration in the situation."

"The weather continues exceedingly bad on almost the whole front."

"From the Oise to the Meuse, on the plateau of Touvent, our heavy artillery has demolished several fortifications from which the enemy was harassing our sappers."

"Spirited artillery duels have taken place to the west and the east of Craonne. Near Perthes-les-Hurlus we have progressed about 300 meters. Near Beauejour there has been infantry fighting, in which we have inflicted serious losses on the enemy."

"In Upper Alsace our former gains in the region of Thann have been maintained. We have bombarded a German train in the railway station of Altkirch and caused some damage on the railway between Carlsbach and Dierspach to the southwest of Altkirch."

"In general the perceptible abatement which can be noted in our active offensive should be attributed to the incessant rains which soak the ground and make operations everywhere almost impossible."

700 Men Resume Work.
Everett, Wash.—Two lumber mills, employing a total of 700 men, resumed work, and a third, employing 200 more will start up January 15, it was announced.

GENERAL VON STEIN



General von Stein, who is in charge of the commissary department of the German army.

GERMAN OFFICERS ACCUSED

Four Are Arrested in New York Harbor Charged With Fraud.

New York.—Accused of using fraudulent passports, four German army officers were arrested and taken from the steamer Bergensfjord bound for Norway.

The men were arraigned together with Carl Roudé and John Aucher of Brooklyn before Commissioner Houghton, charged with attempting to defraud the federal government by fraudulent use of passports.

The men taken from the ship gave their names as Arthur Wilhelm Sache, a reservist and lieutenant in the German army, now living at Pelham manor, New York; Walter Miller, August Meyer and Harmon Germer, the three latter from Chile.

The arrests followed a campaign against fake passports growing out of the Carl Lody case in which he was shot as a spy in the tower of London. The state department has issued stringent passport regulations since then.

Oregon May Have Women Legislators.

Salem, Or.—Miss Marion Towne, of Jackson county, will not be the only woman member of the next general assembly if the plans of Governor West, announced here, do not go astray. He said that he would appoint Miss Kathryn Clark, who conducts a hotel at Glendale, state senator of Douglas county to succeed George Neuner, recently named district attorney.

ASYLUM INMATE ADMITS MURDERS

Salem, Or.—A lock of his own hair, taken from the hand of one of his victims, who had fought desperately for her life, and that of her child, held before John G. H. Sierks, a feeble-minded inmate of the state insane asylum, caused him to confess to the killing of Mrs. Daisy Wehrman and her little boy in their cabin, near Scappoose, the night of September 4, 1911.

Thus, the authorities say, is John Arthur Pender, convicted of the crime and sentenced to be hanged, proved guiltless. He will, it is believed, be freed by executive order in a few days.

Credit for solving this most heinous and most mysterious of Oregon crimes belongs to George A. Thacher, a criminologist of Portland.

There seems to be no doubt of the truth of Sierks' confession. While feeble-minded, he is capable of reasoning and seemed to understand thoroughly what was meant when he was asked to stand and take an oath to what he said. He signed the confession with a bold hand and seemed much relieved thereafter.

THE MARKETS.

Portland.
Wheat—Club, \$1.29; bluestem \$1.31; red Russian, \$1.22; forty-fold, \$1.30; red five, \$1.24.
Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$16; grain hay, \$11; alfalfa, \$13; valley timothy, \$12.
Butter—Creamery, 32c.
Eggs—Ranch, 34c; candled, 35c.
Hops—1914 crop, 12c; 1913 crop, nominal.
Wool—Valley, 18c; eastern Oregon, 20c.
Seattle.
Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.20; club \$1.29; red Russian, \$1.23; turkey red, \$1.25; forty-fold, \$1.29; five, \$1.24.
Barley, \$27.50 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, \$15 per ton; alfalfa, \$13 per ton.
Butter—Creamery, 35c.
Eggs—39c.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Building permits issued by the city of Salem during the year totaled \$268,410.

A carload of flour is to be Klamath county's donation to the Belgian relief fund.

Irrigationists from all over Oregon gathered at the Imperial hotel in Portland Thursday, for the fourth annual session of the Oregon Irrigation Congress.

The Ashland sub-station of the Oregon-California Light & Power Company, situated across Bear Creek, outside the city limits, was burned with a loss of \$15,000.

A special short course for the teachers of Oregon whose terms of school end early has been announced by the Oregon Normal School at Monmouth, to commence on April 5.

Press Lewis, president of the Grand Ronde Cash company of La Grande, was admitted to \$1000 bond following his arrest at Burley, Idaho, on a charge specifying larceny by bailment.

The completion of the new \$125,000 high school for The Dalles, which will be ready for occupancy February 1, will give that city the best and most complete educational building of its class in the state of Oregon.

All pawnbrokers and second-hand dealers of La Grande must keep a record of all articles purchased or otherwise acquired, the ordinance being the result of petty thieving which was reported in the last few months.

The prune acreage in Polk county has been increased greatly this fall by the planting of many young trees in each of the prune districts, according to a recent survey of the various sections of the county.

Extensive plans have been made by the Polk County Association for the eighth annual show which will be held in Dallas, January 18, 19, 20 and 21. Numerous cash prizes, a number of valuable ribbons and eight silver cups are among the prizes offered.

Howard B. Woods, manager of the Weinhard ice and storage plant at Springfield, was arrested in that city, charged with violating the state white slave act. He is accused of transporting two women from Eugene to Springfield for immoral purposes.

George Moar, one of the oldest pioneers of Yamhill county, died at the home of his sister in Lafayette, on December 29. Mr. Moar was born at Lafayette on December 26, 1851. He was the son of Oliver and Hester Moar, pioneers of 1845, and one of a family of nine children.

The fees of the motor vehicle department of the state totaled \$77,592 for 1914, according to a report of Secretary of State Olcott. Fees are paid for registrations of dealers, chauffeurs, motor vehicles and motorcycles. In 1913, they totaled \$56,873, making the gain for 1914 \$20,719.

According to data assembled by Colonel Lawson, warden of the state penitentiary, 226 life-terms have been received at the institution since it was established in 1854, and to the total Multnomah county has contributed the greatest number, 51, and Marion county the second largest, 15.

That the action of the state board of health in attempting to remove Dr. J. A. Van Brakle, an osteopath, as health officer of Clackamas county, was illegal, was the decision of the supreme court in an opinion by Justice Bean. The court affirms the findings of Circuit Judge Campbell.

The new year found all state institutions and departments, excepting those having continuing appropriations, penniless, and they will remain in that condition until the legislature comes to their rescue. It is specifically provided that money appropriated by the last general assembly may not be used after January 1, and, as a result, a number of the institutions and departments will find themselves in the unhappy position of impoverishing themselves for the benefit of the general fund.

Because of an oversight of the framers of the law providing for an interstate bridge connecting Portland and Vancouver, the state tax commission has notified the county commissioners of Multnomah county that no provision has been made in the tax levy for the payment by the state of \$62,500 interest for the first year on the \$1,250,000 bond issue of that county. Under the law the county is to provide Oregon's share of the expense of building the structure and the state is to provide the annual interest on the bonds. Just what complications will arise as a result of the oversight no one is able to predict.

S. G. Sargent, state superintendent of banks, in a supplement to his biennial report, announces that his department will turn back into the state treasury \$5221.03 of the appropriation for 1914. He also announces that if a plan now being considered to turn over all the banking business of state departments, including the filing of articles of incorporation of banks, now filed with the corporation department, to his department, it would be self-supporting. The receipts, not including the appropriation of \$10,000 for 1914, totaled \$12,655.45 or \$2,655.45 more than in 1913.

Millinery Special Sale

Being obliged to raise money I will sell my splendid assortment of trimmed hats at actual cost. Sale to begin Thursday and continue until the hats are all sold.

Mrs. Estes
The Milliner
PRINEVILLE, OREGON

Farm Loans

For a short time we have subject to our disposal

\$25,000

for loans on highly improved irrigated ranches in the vicinity of Prineville. Loans to be for \$5,000 or more and run from 3 to 5 years, with interest at 8 per cent, payable annually.

We charge a small commission to be paid by the borrower. See

A. R. BOWMAN

with Central Oregon Title & Trust Co. 619
Prineville, Oregon

Eighth Grade Examinations

Information concerning Eighth Grade Final Examinations to be held January 14 and 15, 1915:

Program for examinations—
Thursday—Arithmetic, writing, grammar, agriculture and spelling.

Friday—Physiology, history, geography, civil government and reading.

Note—Sections XVIII, XIX and XX of the "Rules for Conducting Eighth Grade Final Examinations" do not apply in Crook county, as no exemptions can be given for classroom work. All pupils must take examinations in all subjects.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. MYERS,
Superintendent Crook County Schools.

Notice of Fian Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administrator of the estate of Richard Meyers, deceased, with the clerk of the county court of the State of Oregon for Crook county, and the judge of said court has set Monday, the 4th day of January, 1915, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, as the time for hearing said final account and any objections that may be made thereto, and for making such order as may be just and proper.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1914.
E. A. BUSSETT,
Administrator of the estate of Richard Meyers, deceased.

Crook County Journal, \$1.50 per yr

IMPORTANT EVENTS

1914-15 AT

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

WINTER SHORT COURSE—JAN. 4-30

Agriculture, including Agronomy, Animal Husbandry, Dairying, Horticulture, Poultry Husbandry, Insects, Plant and Animal Diseases, Creamery Management, Marketing, etc. Home Economics, including Cooking, Home Nursing, Sanitation, Sewing, Dressmaking and Millinery. Commerce, including Business Management, Rural Economics, Business Law, Office Training, Farm Accounting, etc. Engineering, including Shopwork and Roadbuilding.

FARMERS WEEK—FEBRUARY 1-6
A general clearing house session of six days for the exchange of dynamic ideas on the most pressing problems of the times. Lectures by leading authorities. State conferences.

EXTENSION SERVICE

Offers lectures, movable schools, institutes and numerous correspondence courses on request.

MUSIC: Piano, String, Band, Voice.

No tuition. Reduced rates on all railroads. For further information address, The Oregon Agricultural College, (tw-124-10-1)

Notice of Sheriff's Sale

By virtue of an execution in foreclosure duly issued by the clerk of the circuit court of the county of Crook, state of Oregon, dated the 18th day of December, 1914, in a certain action in the circuit court for said county and state, wherein Charles A. Whitsett and Minnie M. Whitsett as plaintiffs, recovered judgment against F. D. Parker, Minnie L. Parker, George Herren and Lulu G. Herren, defendants, for the sum of Three Thousand and no hundredths dollars, with interest thereon from the 30th day of August, 1912, at 7 per cent, and costs and disbursements taxed at Twenty two and fifty hundredths dollars, and attorney's fee, Three Hundred dollars, on the 14th day of September, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that I will on the

23rd day of January, 1915,

at the north front door of the courthouse in Prineville, in said county, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to-wit: the southeast quarter of section seventeen in township twelve south, and range thirteen east of the Willamette Meridian. (see sec 17, tp 12, r 13 east, W. M.) all in county of Crook, state of Oregon.

Taken and levied upon as the property of the said F. D. Parker, Minnie L. Parker, George Herren, Lulu G. Herren, the above described land, and I will sell the same, or as much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the said judgment in favor of Charles A. Whitsett and Minnie M. Whitsett against said above named plaintiffs, with interest thereon, together with all costs and disbursements that have or may accrue.

FRANK ELKINS, Sheriff.
Dated at Prineville, Ore., December 18, 1914.
By W. E. Van Allen, deputy.

Notice of Publication.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Burns, Ore.
December 7, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that Edward B. Clark of Paulina, Oregon, who on January 31, 1911, and February 13, 1913, respectively, made homestead entries Nos. 051328-05545 for sw 1/4, w 1/4 and lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, section 39, township 17 south, range 24 east, Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof to establish claim to the land above described before L. M. Miller, U. S. commissioner, at her office at Paulina, Oregon, on the 18th day of January, 1915.

Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas H. Brennan, Albert L. Simmons, Andro Hrivnak, and Charles J. Christensen, all of Paulina, Oregon.
WM. FARRE, Register.

Notice of Publication.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon.
December 10, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that William Fender, whose post office address is Prineville, Oregon, did on the 23d day of June, 1914, file in this office sworn statement and application No. 98530, to purchase the w 1/2 sec 19, township 19, township 14 south, range 17 east, Willamette meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 8, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisement, and that pursuant to such application the land and timber thereon have been appraised \$200.00, the timber estimated 160,000 board feet at \$1.00 per M., and the land \$40.00; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 2d day of March, 1915, before Timothy E. J. Duffy, U. S. commissioner, at Prineville, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.
H. Frank Woodcock, Register.

Summons.

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for the county of Crook,
Central Oregon Irrigation Company, a Corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
John F. Smith, Defendant.

To John F. Smith, the above named defendant:

In the name of the state of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, namely, within six weeks from the 10th day of December, 1914, and if you fail so to answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will take judgment for the relief demanded in the complaint, to-wit: For the foreclosure of the lien for unpaid maintenance fees on the sw 1/4 of sw 1/4 of section 2, township 18 south, range 12 E. W. M., together with the costs and disbursements of this suit.

This summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order made on the 7th day of December, 1914, by Hon. W. L. Bradshaw, judge of the above entitled court.

JESSE STEARNS and F. EWING MARTIN,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.
First publication, Dec. 10, 1914.
Last publication, Jan. 21, 1915.

Summons

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Crook county.

John Deere Plow Company of Portland, Oregon, a private corporation, plaintiff,
vs.
A. C. Sanford and Effa D. Sanford, his wife, Oliver E. Spinks and M. O. Spinks, his wife, and Marshall-Wellis Hardware Company, a private corporation, defendants.
To A. C. Sanford, Effa D. Sanford, Oliver E. Spinks and M. O. Spinks, defendants:

In the name of the state of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed in the above entitled suit and court on or before the 5th day of February, 1915, and if you fail so to appear and answer, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in its complaint, to-wit: a judgment against defendant, A. C. Sanford, for the sum of \$200.00 with interest thereon from September 1, 1913, at the rate of ten per cent per annum; the further sum of \$676.04 with interest thereon from April 1, 1914, at the rate of eight per cent per annum; the further sum of \$200.00 attorney's fees and its costs and disbursements herein.

That the sheriff of Crook county, Oregon, sell according to law the real estate described in plaintiff's complaint to-wit: the southwest quarter of section Nine in township thirteen south, of range Thirteen east of Willamette Meridian in Crook county, Oregon, and that the proceeds of said sale be applied to the satisfaction of said judgment after paying the costs of making such sale.

That the defendants above named and each of them be forever barred and foreclosed of any right, title or equity of redemption in said premises or any part thereof.

That the plaintiff have a judgment against the defendant, A. C. Sanford, for any deficiency remaining after applying all the proceeds of said sale properly applicable to said judgment, and for such other relief as to the court may seem equitable.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable W. L. Bradshaw, judge of the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Crook county, made on the 10th day of December, 1914, which said order prescribes that this summons be published in the Crook County Journal, a weekly newspaper printed and published in Prineville, Crook county, Oregon, for a period of six consecutive weeks.

The date of the first publication of this summons is December 24th, 1914.
CARR & CARR and
M. R. ELLIOTT,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Notice of Contest

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon.
December 17, 1914.

To heirs of Elvin M. McCubbins of Past, Oregon, contestee:

You are hereby notified that James Beoleto, who gives care T. E. J. Duffy, Prineville, Oregon, as his postoffice address, did on Nov. 23, 1914, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry, serial No. 011784 made June 11, 1913, for sw 1/4 sec 19, nw 1/4 sec 15, township 17 south, range 18 east, Willamette Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that Elvin M. McCubbins, deceased, and the heirs of said Elvin M. McCubbins, have wholly abandoned said tract of land for over one year last past; that they have failed to reside upon, improve or cultivate said tract for over one year last past, as by law required since the said entry was made.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestee either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.
H. FRANK WOODCOCK,
Register.

Date of first publication Dec. 24, 1914.
" " second " " 31, 1914.
" " third " " Jan. 7, 1915.
" " fourth " " Jan. 14, 1915.

Unlawful for Stock to Run at Large

Notice is hereby given that at an election duly called and held in Crook county, state of Oregon, on the 3rd day of November, 1914, a majority of all votes cast at said election were cast against stock running at large in Haystack, Kuteher and Metolius precincts.

Wherefore, from and after the 1st day of March, 1915, it shall be unlawful for stock to run at large within said Haystack, Kuteher and Metolius precincts, county of Crook and state of Oregon, under penalty of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars for the first offense, and Twenty (\$20.00) Dollars for each and every subsequent offense to be recovered from the owner of the stock in a civil action in the name of the state of Oregon before a justice of the peace in the district in which such owner or keeper or either of them may reside, and if there be no justice of the peace in such district, then before any justice of the peace in the county, and it shall be the duty of each constable in any justice of the peace district and of each road supervisor in any road district, to enforce the provisions of the law; and such penalty shall be for the benefit of, and when collected, paid into the common school fund of the county of Crook, state of Oregon, within 60 days after such animal is proved to be at large.

Dated at Prineville, Crook county, Oregon, this 15th day of December, A. D. 1914.
WARREN BROWN,
County Clerk.

I. O. O. F. Ochocho No. 46. Meets Strangers welcome.

J. H. Gray, Noble Grand; Percy R. Smith, Vice Grand; S. G. Hinkle, Recording Secretary; C. B. Dinwiddie, Treasurer.