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**VIA THE AIR**

The statements of Howard E. Coffin, chairman of the air craft production board, give a little insight concerning the real magnitude of the war.

At the beginning of the present conflict, there were less than 400 air planes, of which Germany owned three fourths, and France and England the remaining fourth.

The rapid development of this branch of the war is known in a general way to most of us, but the present status of the affair is best realized after reading the statement of Mr. Coffin himself.

There can be no doubt that the making of all our flying machines after a single pattern will be an advantage none of the other countries will present.

There is no doubt but that the man power of Germany, which is always weak in this branch because of the very nature of the German soldier, is greatly weakened, and as a contrast the best ability nature has ever furnished to man the machines of the air is to be found in the American youth under twenty-five years of age.

All the allies and Germany as well, realize that the United States is the one unknown factor in the air and all realize that something quite beyond the ordinary will occur when the fleet of some 30,000 machines, backed by no less than 100,000 men, all experts in their line, arrives for the air over Flanders, from the United States.

This event is to occur during the first half of the current year, and before another snow falls on the trenches there the world will have seen a demonstration of an entirely new nature in warfare.

Just how far the Hun will be driven back into his own territory on January 1, next is the only question.

Summarizing Mr. Coffin's statement, we believe that the actual taking of Berlin from the air is not impossible, and that great deeds for the cause of the allies are positively certain to occur.

Prior to July 1, all who are watching the situation realize that a terrific smash is to occur from the German armies, and the net result of this will weaken these armies no doubt to a point where the work of the bird men will be easier and less dangerous for them.

**STATE DIVISION?**

Wm. Hanley, the sage of the sage brush country, has proven that he resembles the famous W. J. Bryan in more ways than personal appearances.

Just now he is getting a lot of publicity because of the fact that he is advocating a theory, which, like many of Bryan's theories, is impossible to achieve.

In the scheme to divide the state of Oregon, on a line running along the summit of the Cascades, there is real merit, and were it not for the fact it would perhaps be impossible to get the people of the east side of the state together on the location of a state capital, the matter might be achieved, but the merging of eastern Washington and eastern Oregon into a long state, and the western half of the two states likewise would be just as possible as a love feast for Portland and Seattle, staged at Tacoma, or President Wilson and William Hohenzollern eating Easter dinner together.

Mr. Hanley has evidently been quite successful at the cattle business, and has many friends throughout the country, but politically, well he does resemble Mr. Bryan.

Where is the individual who said that it never rains in Central Oregon?

War stamps are on sale at your postoffice. Buy some and help to raise part of the war fund in this manner.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CROOK COUNTY COURT**

Proceedings of the County Court for January, 1918:

In the matter of drawing jury list for the year 1918: This being the time fixed by law for drawing a list of jurors for the year 1918, the court proceeded to draw from the last preceding assessment roll 210 names. From this list jurors for the regular term of Circuit Court will be drawn for the year 1918.

It was ordered that Walter Demaris be authorized to spend \$125 under supervision of County Engineer, with understanding that the same amount shall be donated by interested parties along The Dalles-Ochoco road, and, also that the County Engineer be instructed to remove or cause to be removed any obstructions along said road.

Crook County ordered to enter into a contract with the Coon Creek Mill Company for the immediate purchase of 50,000 feet of lumber, 3 inches by 12 inches and 16 feet long, at a price of \$20 per M. delivered at Prineville, or at any point within three miles of Prineville. Fifteen thousand feet of said lumber is to be delivered on or before the first of February, 1918, the remainder on or before June 1st, 1918.

A warrant for \$140.00 having been received from the State Highway Commission for use of Road Roller up to December 1st, 1917, it was ordered that said warrant be delivered to County Treasurer.

Clerk's report showing amount paid for scalp bounty during the month of December, 1917, approved and ordered filed.

It appearing that E. W. Crawford has been unable to open the C. H. Dealy road, it is hereby ordered that C. H. Erickson be instructed to open said road without cost to County.

Agreement made with Twohy Brothers that they have the use of the rock crusher at the rate of \$1.50 per day, beginning with January 3,

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1918, Twohy Bros. agreeing to keep said rock crusher in good repair and be responsible for all equipment and appliances.

Crook County Journal was designated as the official paper for Crook County, at the rate of \$40.00 per month.

Clerk ordered to make up proper list of judges and clerks of election for elections to be held during the year 1918.

Viewers report on the J. S. Watkins road accepted and County Surveyor ordered to make final survey and open said road for public travel.

Ordered that, hereafter, all charged for telephone service for

telephones now in the court house shall be rendered and charged in the first instance to each individual officer and that no bills for such service shall be rendered for such service to Crook County. It was further ordered that Crook County shall not be liable to the telephone company and that notice of this order be given to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, as well as to all who use telephones in the Crook County court house.

Whereupon Court adjourned for the term.

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