

LONG RANGE GUNS OF AMERICANS NOW IN ACTIVE SERVICE

PARIS, Oct. 29.—American 16-inch guns manned by American blue-jackets, co-operating with the French, began firing upon German railroad centers back of the Serre-Oise front on Wednesday. The Americans directed their shells against stations and junctions in the region of Verdun and also in the vicinity of Roscy.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—Announcement from France that American 16-inch naval guns, manned by naval gun crews, have come into action with the American Army, disclosed that General Pershing's forces are now equipped with the most powerful and hardest hitting weapons used in the present war, ashore or afloat, so far as is known.

The 16-inch rifles are similar to those designed for use abroad the newest American dreadnaughts. They are 56-caliber, more than 66 feet in length and weigh approximately 100 tons without their carriages.

Without question they are the longest range guns in use except the German super-guns, which are regarded merely as a mechanical freak.

The projectile weighs close to a ton and its bursting charge of the most powerful explosive known is measured in hundreds of pounds against the few pounds in the German super-gun shell. The destructive effect is enormous.

Plans for using big rifles for the Army are understood to have been worked out entirely by naval officers. American naval crews have played an important part on several sections of the battlefield for months, handling weapons of 12 inch bore.

SEATTLE WILL WEAR MASKS TO PREVENT FLU

SEATTLE, Oct. 28.—Seattle residents will begin wearing influenza prevention masks today by order of the municipal authorities. Persons without masks will not be allowed to board the street cars. The Red Cross announced last night that 28,667 people called to get the gauze masks yesterday. Masks are being distributed also at drug stores throughout the city.

All people who are not working at essential labor must remain at home, Mayor Ole Hanson announced yesterday. Crowds will not be tolerated and street cars will give preference, if possible, to shipyard workmen.

No official figures on the number of deaths or new cases were announced yesterday. City Health Commissioner J. S. McBride stated his belief that the disease was continuing a steady climb upward.

INCREASES IN EXPRESS RATES ARE OPPOSED

SALEM, Oct. 28.—The Oregon public service commission is preparing to request the Washington and Idaho commissions to join with the interstate commerce commission against the latest 10 per cent increase in express rates, which was announced Sunday.

Chairman Miller of the Oregon commission pointed out that the percentage increase works a heavy discrimination against the west, where distances are long and rates are correspondingly high, the same as did the percentage increase in freight rates. This is the second 10 per cent increase which has been made in express rates.

AMERICAN AIRPLANES PROBABLY ARE BEST OF ANY IN THE WAR

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—American genius has produced an airplane which may stand out as one of the war's greatest inventions, members of the senate military affairs committee said Saturday, following their weekly conference with the war department.

Committee members said they were told by officials that a bombing plane, designed by Glenn Martin, Cleveland, Ohio, inventor, has developed a speed of 180 miles an hour, twice the speed of the ordinary bomber. Bombing planes must always be protected by a flock of speedy pursuit planes, but the Martin plane, committee members said, will need no such protection as it is capable of holding its own with the speediest flyers.

Senator Thomas, chairman of the aircraft committee, is to see John D. Ryan, in charge of aircraft production, to urge that no "tinkering" be done with the Martin machine. Reports have reached committee members that experimenting was to be done with it.

Committee members said they were informed that 2000 airplanes have been shipped to France. They learned, they said, that the Caproni, the Italian bombing plane, has passed satisfactory tests.

CONVICT CAUGHT

SALEM, Or., Oct. 29.—James Stanley, who escaped from the Oregon state penitentiary in 1912, has been captured in Montana and returned to the institution after six years of absence, Warden Murphy announces. He was committed for obtaining money under false pretenses. "Happy" Gordon, who escaped from the state lime quarry at Gold Hill several months ago, was brought from California Saturday.

ECONOMY CRY HIDES SINGLE TAX

Voters of State Warned to Look Out For Camouflage In Measure.

The "economy" slogan is a splendid idea, and the American public has taken to it as a duck takes to water. It's practical application as a win-the-war idea is a fine thing and as a developer of national thrift it can't be beaten. There is such a thing, however, as working the idea overtime, and there is such a thing as using it, under the guise of patriotic ardor, to carry out the most diabolical schemes of designing spite-workers.

Thus we find Sam Jackson and the Portland Journal waging a bitter campaign against the country editors of the state of Oregon, in advocating the delinquent tax law amendment and a new legal rate law. "Economy" shouts the Journal and its wealthy editor, and of course to bring about a real era of economy, the voting public is urged to support the two bills bearing the earmarks of Samuel Jackson.

Economy is a fine quality for the state, as well as the individual, and were Mr. Jackson's motives actuated purely from the economy viewpoint, his daily editorials might ring with sincerity.

Look out for these laws, Editor Jackson has supported freak legislation before—most notably when the single tax idea was smothered by the voters of the state. The present statutes which Mr. Jackson would place on the Oregon law books, would have no more to do with an era of economy throughout the state of Oregon than would a bill to cut down the price of a shave. The thinking voter will give both measures a close analysis, and the thinking voter of the state will come to a conclusion on the worth of the measures about as follows:

Both measures should be vigorously swatted by the voters, for the very sane and simple reason that the present laws, passed by the Oregon state legislature, are fulfilling their mission, by protecting the public from the wiles of the title grabber. Any law that is protective and is of practical service to the people of the state should be let alone.

To be more specific the present delinquent tax law provides for publication of the delinquent list—but ONLY after a mail notice has been sent to the delinquent and has failed to fulfill its mission. In other words the publication is simply a precautionary measure to inform the delinquent who has changed his address, or who through some reason fails to get his mail notice, that his taxes are due and payable. The effect of such a law cuts out the chances for the title grabber who hangs around the tax collector's office from the moment the taxes become delinquent, in an effort to line up and pick up some so-called "snap." A "snap" to the title grabber is the picking up of your property or mine, for the taxes due plus penalty and interest. It's a great business to follow, but just the same it is being done in every county in the state.

Swat the Jackson measures—both of them. The other bill is to cut down the present rate for legal advertising. At the present time the law fixes the legal rate at 5 cents per line. The Portland papers asks usually \$1 to \$1.50 per inch for their commercial advertising. The state law makes the rate about 45 cents per inch. The newspaper men have a right to live. They are doing a most meritorious work in boosting bond sales and in fact every line of war activity, and have won highest praise from President Wilson for their patriotic publicity work, which by the way is all donated to Uncle Sam. The thinking voter will concede that the country newspaperman has a right to exist. It is no time to throttle the press of Oregon, or any other state.

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DEAD OF PRINCESS SOPHIA STREW SHORE AT SCENE OF WRECK

JUNEAU, Alaska, Oct. 28.—Shores near the scene of the wreck of the Princess Sophia are strewn with dead bodies, according to wireless messages received here last night from vessels scouring the waters near where the boat went down. A heavy storm yesterday prevented the relief ships from getting to the land.

No word of any survivors of the Sophia has reached here. Governor Thomas Riggs Jr., of Alaska, who is at Lynn Canal, where the Sophia went down, has taken personal charge of the rescue work. Over 25 boats yesterday were reported searching for bodies.

Watches on the bodies brought here were stopped at ten minutes of seven. This was taken here to mean that the Sophia went down at about that time Saturday morning. Earlier reports said she sank late Friday night.

Many more bodies are on their way here it was reported today. Wireless messages received last night said about 150 had been found. Until the storm subsides the rescue ships cannot complete their task of gathering the remains. At the rate the bodies are reported being recovered, it was thought possible that searches will be able to get nearly all the remains of the 343 believed lost when the Canadian Pacific steamer slid off Vanderbilt reef, where she had struck in a storm Thursday.

UNIVERSITY MEN ARE CALLED TO TRAINING CAMP IN THE EAST

EUGENE, Or., Oct. 29.—The University of Oregon has been allotted 15 men to attend the field artillery school for candidates for officers at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky., according to a telegram received yesterday by Colonel W. H. C. Bowen, commanding officer at the university. Colonel Bowen and Alma D. Katz, civilian aide to the adjutant general of the United States, will conduct the examination for the men.

DIVORCE WANTED

Alta Chapin Oreste has filed a suit for divorce against John Oreste, alleging that he is quarrelsome and used violent and profane language. She asks for the possession of household goods, a piano and chickens at 1232 Union Avenue, Portland. They were married at Portland August 11, 1918.

MANY BODIES ARE RECOVERED FROM WRECK

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 29.—One hundred and ninety-two bodies from the steamship Princess Sophia which went to pieces on Vanderbilt reef Friday night, have been recovered. Among the identified dead are: Charles A. Craven, Sherwood, Or.; Charles W. Zylstra, Oak Harbor, Wash.; Mrs. Jacob Poppert, Milwaukee, and J. P. Anderson, Portland, Ore.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 29.—One hundred and seventy-five bodies from the steamship Princess Sophia, wrecked on Vanderbilt reef early Thursday morning have been taken to Juneau, according to word reaching Canadian Pacific Steamship company officials here today. It is believed 85 have been identified.

Among those identified are: Captain J. C. Green, William McWaters, Charles S. Chennery, George Howard Barling, Murray Eads, Haris A. Craven, W. A. Thompson, W. H. McDonald, Frank Brown, H. A. Somers, L. E. Clark, Frank White, Aland Barnes, James George, James A. Clark, Robert Hagen, James E. Trainer, Herbert Plumb, S. M. Dalby, Mrs. C. J. Vitquain, William C. Sharon, John Zaccarelli, Lee Chong, Jack Hayes, John Eyre, R. M. Hall and C. P. Kagawa.

NAME OF PORTLAND MAN IS AMONG THOSE OF ILL FATED STEAMER

PORTLAND, Oct. 28.—Joseph Santine, of Portland, whose name is contained in the passenger list of the Canadian Pacific liner Princess Sophia, which sank in Alaskan waters, Saturday, was on his way home to marry Mrs. Mary E. Brown of 331 First Street, this city. The wedding was to have taken place in Seattle next Wednesday.

Santine left Portland last spring to take up his regular run as chief engineer of the steamer Yukon, which he had been making for the past five years. He was in the employ of the O. W. R. & N. company on a river run out of Portland for more than 17 years.

Just previous to leaving for Alaska last spring Santine had been working for the Willamette Iron & Steel company. He has no relatives in this city.

AMERICAN ACE IS GIVEN MORE HONORS BY GENERAL PERSHING

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Major William Thaw, dean of American aviators and holder of the French Croix de Guerre with five palms, has been awarded the American distinguished service cross with two citations by General Pershing. It was announced here tonight by the Aero Club of America.

Major Thaw, who was one of the earliest American flyers with the French Lafayette Escadrille, and who was transferred to the American service after this country entered the struggle, became an American ace last June when he was officially credited with having downed his fifth enemy plane.

Major Thaw was one of the first nine Americans to win the honor of being classified as American aces.

The Aero Club of America awarded him its medal of valor and diploma last July in recognition of his bravery and distinguished service.

SOUTHERN OREGON IS DEVELOPING RAPIDLY IN MINING INDUSTRY

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 28.—The success of coal mining developments along the base of Rosy Ann, within a few miles of Medford, has encouraged the companies concerned to place a considerable tonnage of the product on the market for local consumption. It has several thousand prospecting for coal under the floor of the valley has encouraged Eastern capitalists to form a company to prospect thoroughly by boring for it. Machinery for that purpose has been ordered. Coal mining experts contend that the larger tonnage of superior quality lies under the valley.

The company formed here some months ago for the purpose of boring for oil has completed its first derrick and now awaits the arrival of best steel casing. It expects soon to begin operation. It has several thousand acres of land leased, but no stock for sale.

BRITISH CASUALTIES

LONDON, Oct. 28.—British casualties for the week ending today numbered 32,349, compared with 37,150 for the previous week. They are divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds—Officers 436, men 5307. Wounded or missing—Officers 1411, men 25,365.

Groceries at Wholesale Prices to the Consumers

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White Navy Laundry Soap, 10 for 53c. Box \$5.10	Fancy Head Rice, 2 pounds25c	Tillamook Cheese, pound38c	Red X Extracts, 4 oz. bottles 45c. 2 oz. bottles 23c
Swifts White Laundry Soap 10 for 55c. Box \$5.25	Oat Flakes, 3 pounds25c	Best Bulk Shortening, pound27c	Royal Baking Powder, large size 39c. Small 20c
Royal White Laundry Soap 10 for 57c. Box \$5.50	Washington Crisps, Corn Flakes. White the last at 3 packages for27c	New Peanut Butter, pound22c	Shillings Best Baking Powder, 1 lb. can39c
20 Mule Team Borax Soap 10 for 58c. Box \$5.50	Van Camps or Sniders Catsup, bottle25c	Best Bulk Cocoa, pound24c	K. C. Baking Powder, 15c size 12c, 25c size 20c, 50c size 43c, 80c size65c
Sea Soam Washing Powder, 30c package23c	Wilson Deviled Meats, 5 small cans25c	Bulk Macaroni, 3 pounds25c	A. & H. Baking Soda, package6c
Wooden Clothes Pins, 2 doz. in package7c	3 large cans25c	We have the same brooms that you have to pay \$1.50 for during this sale for89c	All kinds of Spices, Pepper, Mustard and everything in the spice line. Regular 15c selling at 3 for25c
Dodge Spring Clothes Pin, 3 doz. in package 23c	Tower Brand Salmon, 35c value 25c. Doz. \$2.90	Teas, Coffees, Spices and Extracts.	Del Monte Tomato Sauce, 3 for19c
Headlight Matches, 6 box package29c	Elk Horn Tomatoes, 2 cans 27c. Doz.\$1.50	Peoples Blend23c	Palace Car Oysters, 2 for 27c. Doz.\$1.50
Fine Scrub or Stove Brushes, 25c value10c	Ideal Peas, 2 cans 35c. Doz.\$2.00	Liberty Blend28c	Lighthouse Clams, 2 for 27c. Doz.\$1.50
Toilet Paper, medium size, 6 for25c	Tennis Girl Corn, 2 cans 35c. Doz.\$2.00	Shilling Best and Folgers High Grade, in 2 1/2 pound cans85c	Libbys Red Beans, 3 cans25c
Extra Large Roll Toilet Paper, 3 for25c	Mount Veron, Smilax or Borden's Milk, can 15c	Golden West and Folgers High Grade Teas, Gunpowder, Japan, English, Breakfast, packed in 1/2 and 1 pound packages. Sale price, pound45c	Fancy Bulk Raisins, 2 pounds22c
New Orleans Molasses, gallon tins85c	Shredded Wheat, Puffed Wheat, Puffed Rice, Kelloggs' Corn Flakes, 2 pkg.25c		Fancy Not-a-seed Raisins, 2 pounds27c
Karo Syrup, No. 10 tins95c			Extra Choice Small Not-a-seed, 2 pound27c
Snow Drift Flour, bag\$2.85			Palace Car Raisins, 2 packages25c
Barley Flour, special 49 lb. bag\$1.96			Pansy Seedless Raisins, 2 packages28c
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