

U-BOATS WINNING, SAYS VON CAPELLE

German Vice-Admiral Tells Reichstag Allies Are Lying About Number of Sinkings.

FIVE DAILY DECLARED LOST

So Far as Number and Quality of Submarines Are Concerned, It Is Asserted Sea Weapon of Huns Is Increasing in Strength.

AMSTERDAM, July 7.—Submarines are increasing in number and quality, according to Vice-Admiral von Capelle, in the debate in the Reichstag. He said reports of losses have been exaggerated by the allies.

Von Capelle's statement came in response to a reference to the assertion of the French under-secretary of the navy that two-thirds of the U-boats had been sunk while twice the number which Germany is able to build also are being destroyed.

"These figures are incorrect," said Admiral von Capelle, "as is also the recent statement by the British Minister of Marine that since January last the number sunk exceeded construction. The facts are quite the reverse. All reports about U-boat losses spread by the enemy are exaggerated. As far as the number and quality of our U-boats are concerned our weapon is increasing in strength."

"Many of you gentlemen recently attended a lecture by one of our submarine commanders who had just returned from the barred zone. He described in detail all the defensive measures which our enemies employ against the U-boat. His utterances showed that our splendid U-boat crews have stood their ground hitherto against all these measures and I have every reason to believe that we will continue to do so in the future."

Two Sinkings Daily Asserted. "Official publications by the admiralty staff are the most reliable basis for judging the military results of the submarine war. If now, about 1,000,000 tons which were at the disposal of the enemy, already having been destroyed, the sinking of an average of five big vessels is still reported daily, this is a guarantee that the efficacy of the submarine war remains unaltered."

Von Capelle read a statement by Vice-Admiral Sims that ascending curve of construction would soon cut the descending curve of submarine sinkings so that the allied powers would be able fully to replace their losses.

"Almost simultaneously," he continued, "Edward A. Filene, president of the shipping committee of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, said: 'The Spring of 1919 will have arrived before our curve of shipping construction cuts the curve of U-boat sinkings. All statements published in newspapers about a decrease in sinkings are based on hopes and dreams.'"

"This sounds quite different, although Filene, as an American, certainly would not say too little. I hope that next Spring, if the war continues then, that his hopes will be incorrect. Tonnage Demand Increases.

"What then is the present position? Four to five big vessels with valuable cargoes of material for troops, raw materials and foodstuffs, are sunk daily, for which an approximate similar compensation in new construction cannot be produced within a measurable time. There is, therefore, a continually decreasing amount of tonnage at the disposal of our enemies."

"This continual decrease is confronted, however, by continually increasing requirements. With every American soldier who steps on European soil the demand for tonnage increases by about six gross register tons. This is the main point. The demand increases permanently by about three gross register tons per head to supply the men with all that is necessary."

"The enemy press has spread the report everywhere that the submarine is no longer effective and, to repeat Lloyd George, now is no longer a danger but only a nuisance. We should not allow ourselves to be influenced by such confident speeches."

COLUMBIA BEACH DRAWS LARGE CROWD PASSES DAY ENJOYING SUMMER PLAYGROUND.

Bathing and Bonfires Form Part of Sport for Between 8000 and 10,000 Persons—Resort Open Daily.

Happy crowds thronged Columbia Beach yesterday, the first Sunday the popular playground has been open since the recent high water of the Columbia caused it to be temporarily closed.

Between 8000 and 10,000 persons took advantage of the opportunity to get yesterday out of doors and hundreds of picnic parties went early and returned home late. Bonfires studied the beach in the evening, where outers were making merry. The driftwood brought to the beach in the recent freshet made admirable material for the fires.

The beach was covered with bathers until late. The water chutes were popular, while the youngsters found canal digging and house-building in the sand as entertaining diversion as riding the potties in the big ring.

The promenade was thronged with patrons and the concessionaires did a land office business. The Ferris wheel, the carousel and the dance pavilion were crowded, and the two concerts by Philip Peiz and his Columbia Beach orchestra were well received. The beach will be opened every day and evening until late in the season.

COMEDY SCORES AT HIP

ROSE AND HENDRIX FURNISH LOTS OF WHOLESOME FUN.

"The Purple Lily," with Kittle Gordon in the title role, headlines Bill—Musical Numbers Please.

There's an entertaining show at the Hip this week, mostly fun and music, with a corking good picture, "The Purple Lily," with Kittle Gordon in the title role.

For fun and lots of it, Rose and Hendrix take the prize this week. Their work in blackface is the best seen at the Hip for weeks. Original jokes and business make their act peppy and entertaining. The few old

songs which they use are camouflaged so well that their ancient origin is not recognized.

William de Hollis and company have a pleasant juggling act called "The Admiral's Reception." The act is well staged and the Admiral is an adept at the art of juggling. He gives several variations of juggling stunts not seen here before.

"What Women Can Do" provides an entertaining variety of acts under one title. The women in this act are a whole show by themselves. There is a singer, a dancer, a whistler, and a woman marksman, who shoots with remarkable accuracy. The best part of this act is the opening, with the prologue spoken by a most charming girl. The audience liked her.

Martin Vazee sings several songs with perfect articulation. He has a good voice and his clothes make him a novelty. He dresses like a cowboy.

Azara and DeLares girls start their act as if it was intended for a song and dance number. Then they disrobe in transparent bathhouses and engage in a series of acrobatic stunts.

Mendel and Grey play the violin and piano. The woman in the "Doll" in a fashion that evidently is intended to be Sophie Tucker-ish.

6000 ATTEND ROUND-UP

OREGON'S EARLY DAYS RE-ENACTED AT ASHLAND EVENT.

Professional Riders From Practically All "Cow Districts" of West Take Part in Big Celebration.

ASHLAND, Or., July 7.—(Special.)—Scenes reminiscent of Oregon's earliest days were re-enacted here in the third annual Round-Up, which closed yesterday. Wild horses and untamed steers furnished keen competition for professional cowboys and cowgirls recruited from all parts of the West, and adventurous amateurs from local ranches.

Steer roping, bareback bucking, cowboy relay races, bull riding, pony press races, "bulldozing," chariot racing, "slick ear" and wild horse races are but a few of the events which thrilled the spectators. No serious accidents resulted from the dangerous sports, though there were the usual number of falls and kicks from bucking animals. Among the noted professional riders participating was George Fletcher, who has appeared in countless similar events. Other riders came from Pendleton, Northern California, Klamath County and other regions famed as "cow" districts. Miss Vera McClintock gained applause for her skillful trick riding.

Crowds attending the Round-up and patriotic celebration, though diminished from previous years by war conditions, are estimated at from 4000 to 6000. Visitors were present from all parts of Southern Oregon and Northern California. Scores of automobile tourists took advantage of the free municipal campgrounds in Lithia Park.

PATRIOTIC RALLY IS HELD

Men in Shipyards Roused to High Pitch of Enthusiasm.

TILLAMOOK, Or., July 7.—(Special.)—A remarkable patriotic rally, held here Friday night in the grounds of the Tillamook County Courthouse, preceded at the noon hour by a meeting at the Peeney-Bremner Shipbuilding Company.

Under the direction of C. W. Tebault, of the National service section of the U. S. Shipping Board, the men in the shipyards were roused to a high pitch of enthusiasm by the speeches of the two wounded British officers, Lieutenant Schagel and Dr. David Hughes.

At the evening mass meeting the officers addressed an assembly of practically the entire adult population of the city, who were led in patriotic singing by Harold Hurlbut, of Portland, to the accompaniment of an impromptu orchestra.

The community was so aroused that for an hour after the evening meeting the streets were thronged with people who were waiting to express personally their appreciation of this privilege accorded them by the Shipping Board. This was the first series of meetings held here under the auspices of the board.

FORT'S USE IS BARRED

Non-Partisan Political Picnic at Missoula Meets Opposition.

MISSOULA, Mont., July 7.—Controversy over the Non-Partisan League's use of Fort Missoula grounds for a political picnic July 13 was ended yesterday by receipt of telegram from Adjutant-General McKain in Washington canceling previous permission to the league, and the County Council of Defense, and A. C. Townley, president of the league, and Miss Jeannette Rankin had been advertised as speakers.

The league was refused the State University campus by the State Board of Education. Subsequently the city barred the picnic from a city park and the county authorities refused to rent the fair grounds. Permission to use Fort Missoula was obtained, but a telegram of protest signed by the chairman of the County Council of Defense, the Mayor, the Sheriff, the president of the county branch of the American Defense Society, was sent to Washington.

PEEPING TOM IS ARRESTED

William Hustley Discovered on Top of Fence Back of House.

William Hustley, a "peeping Tom," was surprised in the midst of his operations on the West Side at 527 Everett street last night by inspectors Hellyer, Craddock, Tichenor and Mallett, who rushed to the scene in response to frantic phone calls of the residents that a burglar was trying to get into the house.

Hustley had taken a position on top of a high board fence in the rear of an apartment house at which point of vantage he was discovered by the residents. It was ascertained by the officers that Hustley had been annoying the residents earlier in the evening. He told the officers that he was just "roosting" around. He gave his occupation as a painter and is held for investigation.

ALLEGED I. W. W. IS TAKEN

H. B. Kerr Arrested and Held on Complaint of Neighbors.

For making a remark that "There go 1700 more men to get shot," according to neighbors, H. B. Kerr, of 483 Tacoma avenue, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer Butler and is held for investigation.

The officer investigated on complaint of the neighbors that they believed Kerr to be an I. W. W. and that he had passed unpatriotic remarks concerning the Government. It is said that he refused to buy liberty bonds, although he says he has purchased \$25 worth of war savings stamps. He does not work, the neighbors told the officer, although he was offered a position a short time ago. Kerr claims to be settling an estate, say the police.

RARE FUN PROMISED

Great Wortham Shows Open in Portland Tonight.

"BUG HOUSE" BIG FEATURE

Sixteen Attractions, Teeming With Fun, to Be Offered Under Auspices of Oregonian Night Hustlers' Organization.

All is in readiness for the grand opening of the Great Wortham Shows, for a week's engagement under auspices of The Oregonian Night Hustlers' Club, on the circus grounds at Twenty-fifth and Raleigh streets. The main gate will be thrown open at 7 o'clock and the newboys expect a large crowd. The event is being billed as a Mid-Summer Festival, and indications point to a successful showing. The Wortham shows are recognized as the greatest aggregation of attractions ever assembled under one banner.

There are 16 shows on the grounds besides many concessions.

Among the feature shows are Undergrowth Chinatown, Trained Wild Animal Circus, in the Trenches, Goudy's Wonderland, Athletic Show, Bug House, Silo Drome, Amaza, Hawaiian Village and The Mystery.

The realistic production of undergrowth Chinatown is well worth a visit to the grounds, and the vision is given many a thrill. A well-versed lecturer accompanies the tourists and gives them some valuable information.

Amaza is a musical production complete with dancing, singing and other specialties by a company of capable performers. The climax of the show is a great mystery act. Pretty girls are the chief entertainers in this offering.

The Bug House will be the main objective for many of those who will take in the shows. The bug house lives up to its name and the managers guarantee to cure all ills.

For those who like action there will be plenty in either the Silo Drome, the monkey speedway or the athletic show. The Silo Drome is much like the motor drome, excepting that it is built on a much larger scale and courts the most daring motorcycle riders. The monkey speedway has been creating lots of fun wherever the Great Wortham Shows have appeared this season.

The athletic show is a haven for followers of the boxing and wrestling game. Two of the best wrestlers in the country are with the show and are meeting all comers at each performance.

The whip and Ferris wheel are both very popular and are crowded to capacity at the start of every ride. The whip is a new innovation in the line of rides and "knocks 'em dead."

NEXT BLOW IS AWAITED

HUN MAY STRIKE AT ANY OF THREE VITAL POINTS.

Thirty to 40 German Divisions to Be Flung at Chateau Thierry, Chalons or Abbeville Sector.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, July 7.—(By the Associated Press.)—Resumption of the German offensive against some part of the allied line is believed to be imminent. It is said that there are three logical points for the enemy's attack—the Chateau Thierry region, the line north of Chalons and in the neighborhood of Abbeville in the Flanders sector.

An assault north of Chalons or against Abbeville would be less costly for him, but in the former he would get less important territory than before Abbeville, where his loss would be heavier.

From the best information obtainable it appears that the Germans during the coming offensive will have between 30 and 40 divisions capable of participating in the attack.

While waiting for the coming storm the Americans are discussing the exploit of a handful of comrades from a certain unit who participated with the French in operations at Hill 304 yesterday. They were invited to watch the attack, and if they cared to, to join in it and many more volunteers than could be accommodated.

The American aviators in the Chateau Thierry sector engaged in several fights today and two enemy planes were shot down. It is impossible to discuss American casualties except as they are indicated in official statements. Therefore, the details of the fighting cannot be written now.

WEST'S WORK PLEASES

SHIPBUILDING SUCCESES ON PACIFIC SURPRISES EAST.

Representative Johnson, of Grays Harbor, Says Government Doubtful Ability of Coast to Deliver.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 7.—(Special.)—The shipbuilding successes of Oregon and Washington have attracted much attention in the National capital and throughout the East. Representative Albert Johnson says in a letter sent here. The ability of the West to deliver the goods, Johnson says, has greatly surprised the Easterners.

Representative Johnson does not intend to visit his district this summer, the recess of Congress being delayed by important business.

"The shipbuilding activities of Grays Harbor, Willapa Harbor, the Columbia River and Puget Sound," writes Representative Johnson, "have attracted much attention in Washington and throughout the East. Predictions were freely made that we could not deliver the goods. The Oregon and Washington delegations made pledges over and over that we could and would deliver, and it has been a matter of real pleasure to see our pledges made good."

Kelso Mill Suspends.

KELSO, Wash., July 7.—(Special.)—The sawmill of the McLane Fir Products Company suspended operations Wednesday pending extensive alterations and improvements. A new sawing and planing plant is being installed. When the improvements are completed the capacity of the mill will be increased considerably.

E. B. Hayes Is Proud Papa.

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OAKS SHOW IS GOOD

PERFORMANCE IS ATTENDED BY SEVERAL THOUSAND PERSONS.

Armstrong Folly Company Presents "The Girl and the Game" and Wins Approval of Large Audience.

Several thousand persons packed themselves in the big sideless, unpartitioned auditorium at Oaks Amusement Park yesterday to witness the Armstrong Folly Company present "The Girl and the Game," a good-natured musical comedy, fashioned somewhat after the Ziegfeld follies. It was a pleased audience that filled out after 50 minutes of fun and melody.

The comedy proved a laugh-provoker. Revolving around a girls' seminary and several football players and a rich old millionaire who visits it with his radiant daughter, the setting is one that gives full scope for many amusing and ridiculous incidents and situations.

Will H. Armstrong and Henry Sherr went "over the top" with their jokes and their character acting. The building and launching of a ship by the girls while Frank Shaw and chorus sang "What Are You Going to Do to Help the Boys?" went straight to the hearts of the spectators. The chorus girls demonstrated that they can shoot the shipyard as well as the ship in jig time.

A song novelty, "7, 17 and 17," sung by Ed Armstrong brought prolonged applause. "Take Me Back to Italy," sung by Harlan Thompson and Flora Sims, was another song that struck a popular chord.

Miss Sims further endeared herself to Oaks patrons as a soloist by her singing of "The Sunshine of Your Smile." The Armstrong troupe, consisting of Frank Shaw, Harlan Thompson and George Malavey, won a warm spot in the hearts of their auditors with two selections. Miss Maude Smith, who, with Miss Sims, is one of the leads, does a dancing act that is worth seeing.

The chorus was in fine form. "The Girl and the Game" will run all week with two performances daily, afternoon and evening. Overtures and music for the chorus are provided by George E. Jeffery and his orchestra.

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was removed without injuring the sight of the eye.

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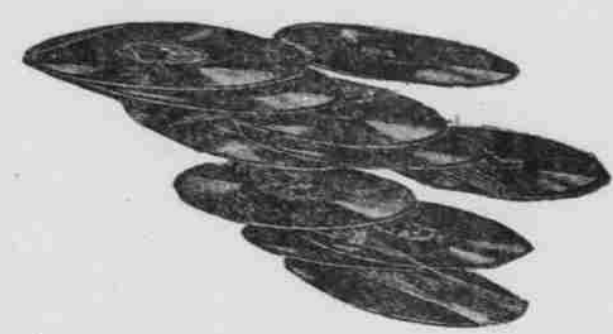
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