

ATTEMPT TO SMIRCH EXECUTIVE REVEALED

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RECORDS ARE PRODUCED

Paid Advertisement Attacking State Executive Refuted—Attorney-General Makes Statement.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 4.—(Special.)—Official records show that the Democratic State Central Committee, in a paid advertisement attacking Governor Withycombe today, deliberately stopped an easily refutable eleventh-hour lie in an attempt to besmirch the executive's action in recovery of public lands for the state.

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SWIFT GAIN SURPRISES

AMERICANS' ADVANCE COMES WITH UNEXPECTED EASE.

New Positions of Prime Importance

In Bombarding Boche Main Railway Lines.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE SEDAN FRONT, Nov. 4.—(By the Associated Press, 10 P. M.)—The importance of the new positions gained by the Americans, notably the heights south of Sedan, may be gauged from a declaration by the chief of staff hardly an hour before the news came that the Germans had begun to retreat from their positions.

Sunday noon the correspondent had asked as to whether the American long-range bombardment of the Mezieres-Longuyon railway had been effective. The officer gave it as his opinion that a further advance of from nine to ten miles was necessary before bombardment could become vitally effective. Nor did he anticipate that it would be possible seriously to disturb the German communications for days to come, for the points of attack, owing to a large scale map, the infinitely difficult terrain lying to the north, with its succession of ridges, ravines, hills and forests.

The enemy, he said, though driven behind his previously prepared fortified defenses, had abundantly shown the ability to shift each kind and clump of trees for echeloned machine-gun positions which had to be wiped out individually before an advance was "possible."

Within an hour the German retreat had begun, contrary to the conservative officer's most sanguine expectations. Sunday the day that followed more than 12 miles had been gained.

IDAHO FLYER KILLED IN AIR

EXTRAORDINARY HEROISM OF AVIATORS REPORTED.

Lieutenants Kahle, of Pittsburg, and Hill, of Lewiston, Flight Off Nine Boche Planes.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—A case of extraordinary heroism is reported by General Pershing in announcing the awards of distinguished service crosses to members of the American Aero Squadron.

First Lieutenant Clarence C. Kahle, pilot, Air Service, 29th Aero Squadron, with First Lieutenant Raymond C. Hill, observer, were directed to take photographs of the old Hindenburg line near Lauchaux, France, September 12, 1918. They were accompanied by two protection planes. After they had taken some photographs they were ordered to proceed back to their aerodrome, the enemy keeping up a constant attack upon him back and forth, the enemy's planes were attacked by an enemy formation of nine planes. Lieutenant Kahle, by his pluck, determination, skill and courage, brought the photographs and the plane back to his aerodrome, the enemy keeping up a constant attack upon him back and forth, the enemy's planes were attacked by an enemy formation of nine planes. Lieutenant Kahle, by his pluck, determination, skill and courage, brought the photographs and the plane back to his aerodrome, the enemy keeping up a constant attack upon him back and forth, the enemy's planes were attacked by an enemy formation of nine planes.

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The address of Lieutenant Hill's wife is 1411 Tenth street, Lewiston, Idaho. Lieutenant Kahle is from Pittsburg, Penn.

COUPLE TO WED BY PROXY

WIRELESS COURTSHIP ENDS IN MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT.

Bride-to-Be Is Daughter of High Italian and at Present Is Stationed in Egypt.

GRACE LAKER, Ill, Nov. 4.—After a courtship by wireless a wedding by proxy, with the bride thousands of miles away, will unite Miss Emily Orsi, of Cairo, Egypt, and Lieutenant Rudolph Winzer, of Chicago, at the Great Lakes naval training station tomorrow morning.

The romance began in Egypt when Lieutenant Winzer was assigned to the United States ship North Carolina. Miss Orsi is the daughter of an Italian Marchese, and her mother was English. The marriage license was obtained in Waukegan two months ago and a copy mailed to the bride, who obtained a similar document in Egypt and sent a copy to this country.

At the ceremony the bride will be represented by Miss Grace Belle Reams, of Chicago, and the service will be read by Chaplain Charles W. Moore. A blue-jacket orchestra will play the wedding march. At the close of services will be relayed to Egypt and Mrs. Winzer will start at once for this country to meet her husband.

Yank Aviator Injured.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Nov. 4.—Lieutenant Gottschalk, an aviator at Camp Rutherford field here, was seriously injured here today when his plane fell several hundred feet. A cadet flying with him was slightly injured. Lieutenant Gottschalk's initials and address were not obtainable at the field tonight.

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GOLD BULLION IS FOUND

Sunken Steamer Princess Sophia Gives Up Valuables.

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