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## GERMANS DECLARE ALLIES FAIL IN CAMPAIGN NEAR MEUSE

Kaiser's Military Headquarters Announce That French Failed Dismally in Effort to Cut Through German Right Wing—Germans Not Hard Pressed

### SAY THAT GERMAN ARMY IS SLOWLY BUT SURELY ADVANCING AGAIN INTO FRANCE

Sortie From Verdun by French Reported Easily Repulsed by Germans—Crown Prince's Army Turns on Pursuers Being Reinforced from Garrisons

BERLIN, Sept. 18.—(Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—The following official statement was given out by the headquarters in the German general staff: "The battle between Oise and the Meuse Rivers is still continuing, but there are sure indications that the enemy's force is failing. The French attempt to cut through the German right wing was broken down without notable exertion on the German side. The German army is advancing slowly but surely. A sortie from Verdun on the right bank of the Meuse was most easily repulsed."

## JAPS CLAIM TO USE AEROPLANE BOMBS WELL AT KAIO CHOW

TOKIO, Sept. 18.—Vice Admiral Kato, commander of the second Japanese squadron, officially reports under date of September 17th, that in a reconnoiter by seaplanes over Kaio Chow Bay, bombs were dropped toward the enemy's ships in the harbor, wireless station and electric motor house. One bomb was seen to strike a large ship from which smoke curled up.

### FRENCH CLAIM GERMANS REPULSED

PARIS, Sept. 18.—The allies have progressed somewhat on their western wing and are repulsing a vigorous German offensive movement, according to an official announcement this afternoon by the French War Department.

## PROF. L. H. BOLL IS STRICKEN

Former Marshfield Music Teacher Dies in Portland—Former Coos Bayite

The following from a Portland paper will be of interest here as Prof. Boll was located in Marshfield for about three years, as an instructor in piano music, having his studio in the First National Bank Building and leaving here about two years ago for Portland to reside: "Professor Louis H. Boll, aged 49, a well-known music teacher, died suddenly of heart trouble at his study in the Tilford building yesterday. Professor Boll had been a resident of Portland for two years. He was a member of Harmony Lodge, A. F. & A. M., the Knights of Pythias and the Improved Order of Redmen. He is survived by two brothers and five sisters. The body was taken to J. P. Finley & Sons."

### 1,458,000 PRESBYTERIANS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—According to data just compiled the Presbyterian church in this country has now 1,458,000 members, an increase of 42,200 since last year, or 140,000 since 1909. The converts last year numbered 93,400. Ministers and elders keep pace with this steady growth, numbering 10,100. Sunday school membership has attained to 1,128,000.

Presbyterian finances show similar advances. The total money gifts last year were \$27,681,000, the largest in the history of the church. The Congregational church growth has also just been made public. That church has just passed the 750,000 membership mark, a gain of almost exactly 100,000 in the last ten years. This gain is not in New England, but almost wholly in the Pacific Northwest.

Big COOS and CURRY FAIR, at MYRTLE POINT SEPT. 23 to 26, inclusive.

## POLICE HAVE NEW MYSTERY

MRS. McDONALD REPORTS TROUBLE IN CITY PARK LAST NIGHT, BUT OFFICERS UNABLE TO FIND OUT ABOUT IT.

The local police are today puzzled over a report of some sort of trouble in the City Park last night. So far they have been unable to find any explanation of it. Late last night, Mrs. McDonald, a nurse who is caring for Mrs. E. M. Lockhart in the former D. L. Rood house, called the police and told them that she had been aroused by the yell of a woman in the park nearby. She said that once it sounded as though a woman was being choked and later a much stronger yell was heard. Soon afterwards, she saw three men come out of the park one a little behind the other two, and disappear down Fourth street. Officers Shoupe and Richardson went up and found nothing. Today Officer Richardson and Constable Cox investigated the place and could not find any trace of any trouble. Mrs. McDonald is certain that the cries indicated trouble and Mrs. Lockhart also heard them.

### PERSONAL MENTION

F. E. HOLLISTER expects to leave tomorrow for Roseburg.

ATTORNEY CHURCH is here from Boise, Idaho, to represent a number of claimants against the estate of the late Guy C. Barnum.

### LOCAL OVERFLOW.

No Change Made.—The Railroad Commission has announced that it will not make any further modifications in its rates and classifications in the Coos Bay water service. The Water Co. asked certain changes and the Railroad Commission has replied that it thinks the company and the city can agree on them.

## CLAIM GERMANS ADMIT LAST CAMPAIGN IN PRUSSIA POOR

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Sept. 18.—Berlin acknowledges that while General Von Hindenberg's brilliant and daring movement across the border lake was successful in driving back General Rennekamp's force, the Russians were not completely outflanked and the previous East Prussian victory against the Russians was not duplicated. The Russian General retired in good order, having his artillery. There is a lull in operations in Galicia, where the victorious Russian armies are evidently moving in an effort to cut off the retreat of the Austrians toward Cracow.

## SOUTH AFRICA COLONIES NOW SCENE OF WAR MOVEMENTS

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Sept. 18.—A force composed of 250 Germans with their Maxim guns, attacked the British post at Nakob Thursday. The garrison consisted of seven policemen, who fought until their ammunition was exhausted. Those not killed were taken prisoners.

## FRENCH ANNOUNCE BATTLE STILL WAGES ALONG ENTIRE FRONT

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Sept. 18.—A Bordeaux dispatch states that the battle continues with great fierceness along the whole front. The death is announced of General Battille, who was killed in action.

## STEAMER FRANCES H. LIGGETT REPORTED SUNK EARLY TODAY

That the coasting passenger ship the Francis H. Leggett sank this afternoon off the Columbia River is a report received here at four o'clock this afternoon from a Japanese battleship off the Oregon coast. The message was sent to the Coos Bay wireless station, but no further particulars were obtainable. The Francis H. Leggett was 241 feet in length and with a breadth of 41 feet. She drew 14 feet of water and had a registered tonnage of 1606 tons and carried a crew of 25 men. The ship was built in 1906 at Newport News on the Atlantic coast. Faith in the message received here is founded on the fact that it was repeated to the local station four times from the Japanese ship, the name of which could not be learned.

## RAIN CAUSES SMALL FRESHET

Rise of Four Feet in Coquille Puts Stop to Operations in Gravel Camp

Tom Coke, who has been in charge of the construction of the phone line south of Myrtle Point, has returned here for a few days' stay. He states that as a result of the rains the south fork of the Coquille raised about four feet yesterday, putting a stop to the operations in the gravel camp.

Mr. Coke says that the Smith-Powers line can be completed in a month or six weeks with the exception of some little finishing work here and there and barring slides that may follow the heavy rains.

The company is arranging to open a new logging camp beyond Baker Creek, where they have two, and will probably make it a big camp. Another may be opened still further towards Wagner later. Material is now being moved out from Coaledo where the old camps are being taken out.

The phone line which the company is putting in will be connected up with the Coos Bay Home Telephone Company's line at Myrtle Point and also with the local railway's line.

## WIRES DOWN AGAIN TODAY

WIRES DOWN COOS BAY IS ISOLATED FROM REST OF WORLD AS RESULT OF WESTERN UNION AND LONG DISTANCE PHONE LINES BEING DOWN.

As a result of the storm last night, Coos Bay has been isolated most of today from the rest of the world. The Western Union wires were down this morning, but came up for an hour or so about noon and during that time only a partial report of the Associated Press news was received by The Times.

The long distance phone lines are also down, thus making it impossible to get messages to or from outside points.

Repair Street.—A gang of men started in today to repair the holes in the hard paving on Central avenue which have been a nuisance for the last few months. The concrete work was done today and the surface will be put on soon.

Don't forget the Big Fair at Myrtle Point, Sept. 23 to 26.

## TAKE MORE CANADIAN TROOPS FROM HALIFAX TO ENGLAND

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—The Cunard liner Lusitania from Liverpool reached the pier here this morning under wireless instructions received last night as she was nearing, according to passengers, ordering her to make all possible speed, unload the passengers and be ready to sail for Halifax to act as a transport for Canadian troops.

### War Last Stand of Militarism

Among the passengers were Sir James M. Barry, the author, who said the ultimate cause of the war is militarism. The nations had been arming themselves and loaded guns always go off sooner or later. The issue is as clear as the cause that brought it about, it is whether soldiers or citizens are to rule in Europe."

## CANADIAN BOAT SUNK WITH TWENTY IN ST. LAWRENCE

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

QUEBEC, Sept. 18.—The Canadian government steamer Montmagny was sunk in the St. Lawrence River, 26 miles from Quebec, this morning, in a collision with the Dominion coal steamer Linman, in a fog. Reports from Crane Islands are that twelve of the Montmagny's crew of twenty had been lost.

### CROWN PRINCE TURNS ON FRENCH

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PARIS, Sept. 18.—The army of Crown Prince Frederick William has finally turned on its pursuers at Mont Faucon, to the northwest of Verdun, encouraged no doubt by the advices of reinforcements coming from the Rhine garrisons, and a line of defense is now clearly established from Noyon, 67 miles northwest of Paris, to Mont Faucon.

## LOCAL HOTEL CASE ENDED TODAY

Jury Allows John Dotson \$32.60 in Hughes Damage Suit—Other Court Matters

(Special to The Times.) COQUILLE, Or., Sept. 18.—The jury in the case of George B. Hughes of Marshfield vs. John Dotson of Bunker Hill for \$2000 damages brought in a verdict for the defendant for \$32.60. Mr. Hughes claimed that while he was leasing the Dotson Hotel from Mr. Dotson, the latter had the hotel grounds filled by the dredge Seattle and as a result he lost \$2000 worth of business. Dotson denied that Hughes had been materially damaged and had a counter claim of \$97.60 due him for rent of the hotel. The jury allowed Hughes \$65 damages and allowed Dotson's rent claim, leaving Hughes to pay \$32.60. Peck & Peck represented Dotson and Stoll & Hodge represented Mr. Hughes.

Bandon Case Up. Following the Hughes-Dotson case, the trial of E. L. Flood vs. Jos. Young of Bandon was begun. This is a very salacious trial from Bandon, Flood asking damages of Young for assault on Mrs. Flood, for alienating the affections of Mrs. Young and for committing two statutory offenses against her. Flood claims that Mrs. Flood has been of unsound mind, that Young knew it, etc. Young denies the charges in toto and claims that the only foundation Flood has for them is that he (Young) allowed Mrs. Flood to come into his house one night for shelter after she claimed that her husband had driven her from their home. A. Y. Myers and W. J. Conrad of Marshfield are members of the jury in this case.

Jurors Are Dismissed. Judge Coke has dismissed the jurors until a week from next Monday, as all of the jury business that is ready has been disposed of until then. The grand jury is grinding away and Judge Coke expects that they will be able to finish up next week so that the balance of the jury trials can be heard consecutively. By dismissing the jurors now the county is saved considerable expense.

Knew Nothing of Case. Mrs. E. F. Morrissey, who was subpoenaed yesterday to appear before the grand jury, presumably in connection with a local social controversy, stated today that she knows absolutely nothing about the case. She stated she had not personally heard directly anything concerning it, was not even present when the trouble occurred and had not paid heed to the gossip concerning the matter. She said that it was one of those things she did not wish to be connected with in any manner whatsoever, had not taken sides in it and was determined not to be drawn into it.

Mrs. Morrissey went to Coquille this morning in response to the subpoena served on her yesterday.

More for Grand Jury. Several more grand jury subpoenas were served here today. Among those subpoenaed were Mike Burke and Hans Smith, the latter being at Bunker Hill. Orvid Wickham, recently at Coquille, was also served with a subpoena here. None know what they were wanted to appear before the grand jury about. John Juth was another who has been subpoenaed from here.

Bruner Case. Reports from Coquille are that the grand jury is now investigating the murder of Wm. Bruner on Isthmus Inlet. The nature of the evidence is not known. It was stated, however, that the gun with which Bruner had been killed had been found. It was also intimated that the party suspected of doing the shooting is supposed to have been lying in wait for another man and shot Bruner by mistake.

## IRISH HOME RULE BILL LAW

King George Affixes Signature to Home Rule Bill—Now a Law

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Sept. 18.—King George's signature was today attached to the Home Rule bill, which thus gains the statute books. Parliament was prorogued today until October 27.

DANCE at FINNISH HALL SATURDAY eve. Given by LINNKA LODGE. KEYZER'S ORCHESTRA.