

NORTHWEST BOYS CLEAN UP WEST OF HUN SNIPERS

Youngster From Oregon Among Four Crack Shots Sent Into No Man's Land After Germans

WIGGLE THROUGH SWAMP

Enemy Sharpshooters Are Picked Off One at a Time and Lads Return Hungry but Gleeful.

By Bert Ford With the American Army in France, May 12.—(L. N. S.)—The skill of the American sharpshooters is one of the features of the war.

Two Boches Picked Off "That cussed bird!" yelled the captain. "That yellow-headed bushwhacker got so buffaloned about our own trenches that he wanted to scalp that bird."

"At dawn of another day we had to clean out a nest of enemy snipers in a different zone. A youngster from Oregon and another from Montana jumped to the job."

"They lay in No Man's Land, screened by their mud coverings waiting for hours in a shallow furrow. The fellow to the right in the trench had a rifle aimed his rifle; it seemed to take him half an hour. Several of us officers were watching the performance through field glasses."

"Suddenly we saw a small puff of smoke. Then the same chap reached over, got his companion's rifle and fired again. The Germans, not dreaming that snipers would be so precariously positioned, fired a machine gun at our first line. The two American lads lay in the mud for five hours and cleaned out the enemy snipers."

"Our two fellows returned with their whole hides, hungry and gleeful."

480,000 BOCHES ARE MASSES FOR ATTACK

(Continued From Page One) by the British, is about nine miles east of Amiens on the British front. The attack is being made by the British, French, Belgians, and Americans.

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MONTE CORNO SERBIAN AND BRITISH AIRMEN BOMBED CANTONMENTS AT SERES AND THE ANGIET STATION

The Bulgars-Germans forces attempted a surprise attack near Velrenik, but were repulsed.

French Raid Succeeds Paris, May 12.—(U. P.)—Artillery on both sides of the Aisne was reported by the French war office today.

Belgians Raid Hun Trench London, May 12.—(L. N. S.)—Belgian troops raided a German position north of Dixmude (Flanders front) and captured 100 prisoners.

British Withdrawn From Farms London, May 12.—(U. P.)—Teachers from the first grade will be called up for military duty and 300,000 men will be withdrawn from the farms, it was learned today.

HUMANE SOCIETY IS MOURNING DEATH OF MRS. MARGARET JONES

Pneumonia Attack Proves Fatal—After Brief Illness; Survived by Daughter.

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W. S. S. Posters To Be Exhibited At Art Museum

The public is urged to visit the War Savings Stamp poster exhibit at the Art Museum, which will be open, free of charge, from noon until 5 o'clock p. m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

The posters are the work of Portland and Oregon public school children. There are about 200 of them in the exhibit.

The best of them will be selected for the consideration of the War Savings Stamp poster, who will make further elimination, and award the winners of the national War Savings Stamp poster, who will make further elimination, and award the winners of the national War Savings Stamp poster.

The winner of the final award will be considered the best of the posters designed in the United States. An Oregon boy or girl may win the honor.

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ONLY RELIEF FROM DELAYED RELAY OF IMPORTS TO COME THROUGH REPRESENTATIVE THERE.

"If Portland importers want to end delays in the forwarding of imports from Seattle, they must arrange to have a representative placed at Seattle capable of seeing to it that the shipments are not held at the docks and covered up with other consignments."

This will be the recommendation to the Chamber of Commerce by A. C. Black, of the Transpacific corporation and chairman of a special committee of importers. Mr. Black returned from Puget Sound this morning where he spent several days investigating the delays suffered by imports sent in bond through Seattle for clearing through the customs house at Portland.

"No correspondence course will cure it. To complain or to write letters won't make the situation any better than it is now. The letters and the complaints will be received by those who are powerless to do anything. The men in power at Seattle right now are the shippers down on the docks. The men who are in charge are the ones with whom we ought to work. When you see freight piled up 40 feet high, with a shipment for Portland at the bottom, it means that you are having someone who will see to it that the consignments for Portland are not covered up, but that they are checked out, loaded aboard cars and sent on their way."

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It is recognized, of course, that Portland will only get entirely satisfactory service when direct steamship service is established out of the Columbia river and freight, both imports and exports, are handled over local docks. But in the meantime, the Chamber of Commerce is urged to make arrangements for the services of a capable representative at Puget Sound, pro-rating the cost among the importers who will be directly benefited. At the same time the local importers are to be pledged to have imports sent in bond for clearance through the local custom house. Many of the firms clearing through Seattle, believing that by giving the customs house and the port there the credit, they get prompter service. As a consequence, a considerable proportion of the firms clearing through Seattle are contributed by Portland to the considerable disadvantage of this port.

GOVERNOR LOSING MANY FARM VOTES

(Continued From Page One) A. B. Cordingly of Benton county, who had not been over-enthusiastic concerning their plan, upon the lime board which is being organized by the Money Appropriated for Tourists.

At about the same time the Portland chamber of commerce and its allied interests wanted \$25,000 for the benefit of the northwest coast. The governor helped the bill through the legislature.

Now the farmers of Benton county are wanting to know where they came out in the deal. They have a particular commission, another thorn in their side, refused to give them road relief to the extent that they had requested. They have purchased their own roadmaking machinery and have started out, after long effort to get state road work money, to build their own trunk highways.

"What's the use of tourists," the Benton county farmers say, almost in chorus. "We haven't got roads for them to travel on, and we have no roads, even if we had them, unless we can get the crops off the fields to make them useful to us."

As a result, the farmers of Benton county—the big banking reserve of the governor four years ago—have fallen away from him in great measure, according to the talk that comes from the country to Corvallis, while at the same time the town itself seems to reflect the same sentiment. Prominent business and professional men of Benton county metropolis who were Withycombe supporters four years ago either have their coats off for Olcott this time, or are moody, and lukewarm in their support of the governor. He does not seem to be a home town man so much now as he did when he went out on his campaign in 1914, and he has not done as well as he expected him to do. They are, in brief, disappointed and disgruntled, many of them, and are frank in their expressions to that effect.

Same Condition in Folk In Polk county much the same conditions exist, and particularly does this seem to be true in Dallas, the center of the county. There the farmers and people were wrapped up in the location of the trunk line highway through the town. E. J. Adams, highway commissioner, completed the highway, but the trunk line highway through the town. E. J. Adams, highway commissioner, completed the highway, but the trunk line highway through the town. E. J. Adams, highway commissioner, completed the highway, but the trunk line highway through the town.

Between Olcott and Withycombe This in brief, is the impression gained in the course of a somewhat careful compilation of the seeming public sentiment in Benton and Polk counties. It leads to one axiomatic conclusion, that the fight for the governorship in Benton and in Polk counties, lies between Olcott on the one hand and Withycombe on the other. There is no other name in both districts that it is in third place value, according to the consensus of political belief. The name of Moser is heard now and then, and Anderson and Farrier, if at all, only as checking over the full list of candidates.

Sanitary Soap to Mothers Soother and relieves chafed, irritated, skin of infants. Keeps skin fresh and sweet. Free of alkali. Made in U. S. A. Price 10c. Sold everywhere.

DEMONSTRATIONS OF POTATO'S RISE ARE BEING GIVEN

Potato Week is ushered in with a series of lectures, demonstrations and window displays on the use of the potato to conserve the wheat supply. The Portland Ad club is directing the campaign from the standpoint of educational enlightenment as to the different uses of the potato.

Schools and colleges are to take an active part in spreading the knowledge by interesting exhibits of the work of their domestic science departments in experimenting upon the uses of the potato as a substitute for wheat. In the Y. W. C. A. war kitchen, the week will be devoted to the potato.

Chiefs of the different hotels of the city will be busy with the preparation of notices at Meier & Frank's auditorium at 3 o'clock each afternoon. J. E. Hansen, chef of the Multnomah hotel, will demonstrate potato pancakes, salad, cake and wheatless bread Tuesday afternoon.

Church Women Show Uses The Women's association of the First Presbyterian church will give a series of demonstrations each day at the Market building, near Fourth and Yamhill streets, under the direction of Mrs. E. C. Michener, chairman, who will have two assistants each day. Mrs. I. M. Wainwright, Mrs. H. H. Strong assisted today, and Tuesday's event will be in charge of Mrs. G. M. Reed and Mrs. E. E. Shaw.

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FRIENDS OF SIMPSON ARRIVE HERE TO AID BOOSTING CAMPAIGN

Check full of enthusiasm for L. J. Simpson's gubernatorial campaign, 25 Coos county residents reached Portland Sunday night to contact a most unique group of men at the various public functions were delegated to call upon Portland men of their own calling to demonstrate the virtues of Simpson.

The party was headed by Charles H. Hickey, of Astoria, W. Swagert, O. W. Briggs, W. T. Denton, J. M. Meren, A. J. Ness and R. H. Corey of the Coos Bay Water Co., all of Marshfield. The Coos county party made no effort to reach Portland, but they carried a big banner to the city, and at the Simpson mass meeting at the Eleventh street playhouse Saturday night, believing their work could be accomplished better.

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AD CLUB DIRECTS CAMPAIGN

Hotel Chefs, Y. W. C. A., Colleges, Schools and Women's Organizations Taking Part.

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PETITION FILED FOR INCREASE IN RATES

Portland Railway, Light & Power Company Would Get Greater Revenue From Light and Heat Users in Salem.

Salem, Or., May 12.—Portland Railway, Light & Power company today applied to the public service commission for authority to increase gas lighting and heating rates in Salem.

The company says it should be allowed rates which will bring a return of net income of \$215,000 or \$12,250 net income yearly, while last year the net income was only 1.09 per cent.

For 1918, the company asserts, it will go to the limit unless the commission allows an increase in the rates. The company needs to install a new gas bench, it says, at a cost of \$62,000, and will not be able to do it with unless it gets the increase.

A short time ago the company endeavored to get the Salem city council to petition the commission for an investigation of the company's rates, as the city would be behind the request for the increase, but the council refused to do this.

BEEF PRICES ARE NOT YET REDUCED

Market Congested With Cattle, but Consumer Gets No Benefit.

There was no reduction in the price of beef to consumers, though it was during the day, although the market is congested with live cattle offerings and recent reductions in the price of the cattle have been unusually severe.

Local packers are showing no inclination to meet the lower price for live cattle with any reduction in the price of beef to consumers, though it was during the day, although the market is congest