

WAR SUMMARY

With their left wing touching the Marne and their right linking up with the battle front at Noyon, the Germans in their new offensive are hammering the allied line apparently with the hope of crushing in the Soissons salient and opening up the way to Paris by way of the Marne and the Oise. They are reported to be using nearly three-quarters of a million men in this effort.

Although the enemy occupies the northern bank of the Marne for a stretch of a dozen miles east from the vicinity of Chateau Thierry, he seems to have made no serious attempt to force a crossing, the only efforts in this direction that have been reported being made in small force. These were repulsed by the French.

Main Trend Westward.

The main trend of the enemy effort is westward and with this purpose seemingly fully developed, General Foch is disposing his forces to resist it. Already the French seem to be in considerable strength in the path of the crown prince's drive west of the Soissons road to Chateau Thierry.

The Germans at last reports had succeeded in penetrating from two and a half to nearly four miles at points west of this road. They were stopped for the time being, at least, at Chandun, three miles from the -

fighting especially the Germans suffered terrific punishment.

French Form Protection.

Near the Marne in the vicinity of Chateau Thierry, an important railway point on the river, the situation is somewhat obscure, but the French apparently have a protecting line flung northwest from the Marne at Charveux, three and a half miles northeast of Chateau Thierry, and linking up with their north and south line above the latter town, which the Germans are strongly threatening.

Rheims on the left of the German advance, is still in allied hands, and in general there is little apparent effort on the part of the Germans to enlarge their salient in this direction except at its narrow edge, which they are making some headway in broadening along the Marne. The line between Rheims and the Marne takes the general course of the Dormans-Rheims road.

Americans Thrown In.

Paris military commentators report the masses of the allied reserves beginning to take part in the action and it develops that American troops already are in the battle area, stationed at points whence their intervention will be easy when the time is considered favorable.

THE WEATHER.

Fair; moderate westerly winds.

DEDICATION OF BRIDGE PLANNED

Willamette Chapter, Red Cross, to Conduct Memorable Affair

Construction work on the new bridge has gone forward rapidly during the past week, the steel frame of three spans on the west end being in place, while two spans from the east approach have been "pinned" together ready for the pneumatic riveters. The false work for the remaining spans is now about completed.

It is now believed that the structure will be completed before the middle of July, and it is proposed to make the opening and formal dedication of the bridge a memorable affair, to be participated in by the people of both Marion and Polk counties. The matter was taken up at a recent meeting of Willamette chapter, Red Cross, and Chairman H. W. Meyers was authorized to name a committee of citizens to make plans for an appropriate dedication ceremony. Mr. Meyers has named as this committee Frank T. Wrightman, chairman; Charles R. Archard, W. M. Hamilton, Henry Dancy and Dr. Starbuck of Dallas, who will probably report in the near future.

It is expected that the county courts of both counties will be ready to co-operate in any plan that may be formulated, as the opening of the bridge will be of vital interest in both sections.

British Chief of Staff Ready for New Hun Drive



General Sir Henry Wilson, chief of staff of the British Army, is ready for the new drive he believes the Germans will make against the army on the northern front. American soldiers have gone to this section and are now brigaded with British troops ready for the defense.

More than 300 women, many of them college girls, have registered for service on New England farms this summer.

WHOLE, CLEAN, AND COLD.

The three essentials in the production and marketing of perfectly satisfactory milk are expressed in the subject of this article. By whole milk we mean of course that it is all there—nothing added to, nor taken from. Milk tests are reliable and convict the dishonest dealer. Cream is worth more than milk and when part of the cream is removed the consumer is defrauded. It is an unusual thing for a cow of any breed to give milk with less than 3 1/2 per cent of butterfat and the majority do much better than this. The specific gravity reveals the removal of solids, which is cream, and the amount of water or skim milk that has been added.

Clean milk can only be produced by the most painstaking methods in handling. As some women are just naturally good housekeepers, so some dairymen are naturally clean in their habits of handling milk. Lastly, if milk is to keep well and be perfectly satisfactory, it must be kept cold from the time it comes from the cow until it is consumed. The motto of every dairymen or handler of milk should be: "Whole, Clean and Cold."—Colorado Agricultural College.

JUST FOR FUN.

A Poor Way.—The doctor had told Ethel's parents that it was necessary for her to have her tonsils removed. After much persuasion she consented, but it was in the bargain that after she returned home she could have an Angora cat.

The operation was performed, but for some days her throat was very painful. Through her tears she looked up at the nurse and exclaimed: "What a bum way to get a cat!"—Ladies Home Journal.

FAR-AWAY LAND.

When I was a tiny little tad, and sat at my mother's knee, I knew many beautiful, wonderful things, that didn't seem strange to me.

I knew the deils where the fairies danced, under the stars at night, I had seen the sheen of their gossamer wings, as they passed me in their flight.

I knew the song of the mother-bird, that came from the apple-tree; I had watched the leaves of a sleepy flower, close over the golden bee.

And I knew that on shining silver sands, fathoms under the sea, Were castles of shell, and coral-rock, where mermaid's homes must be. And once, over hills and through far off woods, I had traveled day by day.

To the Magic Land, where the Rainbow ends, and the gold is stored away.

And O! the nights when the Frost King came, and breathed on a sleeping world; The trees were bewitched, the mountains white, and the rivers mother-of-pearl.

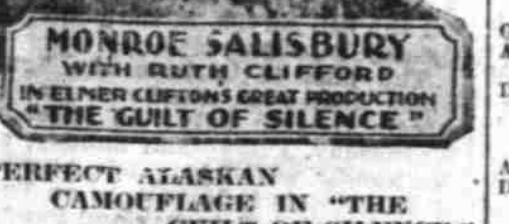
And the Reindeer led by Kris Kringle's hand, raced under the moon-beams bright.

And joy and mystery, joined hands, over the world that night.

Ah! lonely man, you have traveled far from your friends of yesterday, You don't even know the language they speak, in the land of Where-Away.

"You are great, and rich and famous now," you hear the world acclaim, But you'd better all to be a boy, in the Land of Dreams again.

—Selected.



With slides carrying away the Southern Pacific snowsheds, trains stalled and the most severe blizzard of recent years raging in and about Truckee, high in the Sierra Nevada range of mountains on the eastern border of California, Monroe Salisbury, Ruth Clifford and a company of twenty actors and assistants filmed under the most hardscrabble circumstances the wonderful Alaska picture "The Guilt of Silence," which comes to the Liberty Theatre on Tuesday next.

NURSES WILL BE RECRUITED HERE

Educational Committee of Willamette Chapter to Start Work at Once

Recruiting for Red Cross nurses will begin at once by the educational committee of Willamette chapter under the direction of Mrs. L. T. Harris, chairman. Several women are expected to enlist from this city, as the northwest territory, including Oregon, Idaho, Washington and Alaska, has a quota of 150.

Later calls will be made for nurses aids, but this will only accommodate a limited number of inexperienced women, who will be expected to do much of the heavier work in the hospitals.

Lack of first aid classes in Salem this year means that practically no one here has had any training. It does not appear likely that any graduate nurses will make application, but several school girls and others may decide to enter the nursing schools. Already a number of persons have inquired about the home defense division as they are unable to give all of their time or leave their homes.

Nurses are under orders of the United States government and are sent wherever they are needed; through preferences of nurses will be given consideration when the conditions of the service permit.

Red Cross Nurses appointed for service in the military establishment during war are expected to remain as long as the emergency lasts, unless the need of their services ceases to exist. They may, however, be relieved from duty at any time in case of misconduct, or should their services prove unsatisfactory. The same ruling concerning length of service and registration applies also to nurses serving elsewhere with the Red

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the Northwestern Fire and Marine Insurance Company

Amount of capital paid up	\$ 400,000.00
Income	
Net premiums received during the year	405,851.71
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	38,392.03
Income from other sources received during the year	404,485.80
Total income	848,729.54
Disbursements	
Net losses paid during the year	62,169.72
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	40,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	447,169.39
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	38,480.40
Amount of all other expenditures	80,012.28
Total expenditures	667,832.79
Assets	
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	93,963.86
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	637,200.00
Cash in banks and on hand	437,772.51
Premiums in course of collection written since Sept. 30, 1917	88,037.31
Interest and rents due and accrued	15,572.50
Total assets	\$1,272,546.18
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$1,272,546.18
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	60,466.13
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	251,990.46
All other liabilities	444,551.12
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of \$400,000	757,007.71
Total premiums in force December 31, 1917	457,079.44
Business in Oregon for the Year	
Total insurance written during the year	648,971.00
Gross premiums received during the year	8,680.05
Premiums returned during the year	2,150.98
Losses paid during the year	1,075.58
Losses incurred during the year	1,549.92
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31st, 1917	412,639.00

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the Queen Insurance Company

Amount of capital paid up	\$2,000,000.00
Income	
Net premiums received during the year	\$7,550,202.20
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	462,959.06
Income from other sources received during the year	4,802.60
Total income	\$8,017,963.86
Disbursements	
Net losses paid during the year	\$3,168,801.57
Dividends on capital stock during the year	1,425,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	2,016,563.30
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	321,019.91
Amount of all other expenditures	223,247.86
Bad debts (less than 1 per cent of collection)	5,725.59
Total expenditures	\$7,160,358.23
Assets	
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	\$11,049,244.46
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	42,000.00
Cash in banks and on hand	1,001,475.73
Premiums in course of collection written since Sept. 30, 1917	1,144,907.48
Other items	46,307.76
Interest and rents due and accrued	118,327.99
Total assets	\$13,422,862.51
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$13,422,862.51
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 961,455.18
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	5,489,129.03
Due for commission and brokerage (deducted from item "Premiums in course of collection")	77,369.65
Due for taxes	662,839.78
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock	\$7,190,793.64
Total premiums in force December 31, 1917	\$10,577,211.26
Business in Oregon for the Year	
Total insurance written during the year	\$5,713,732.00
Gross premiums received during the year	142,088.03
Premiums returned during the year	50,017.84
Losses paid during the year	23,913.48
Losses incurred during the year	23,859.48
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1917	\$238,138.00

PATRIOTIC SECTION PRETTY FEATURE OF CIRCUS PARADE

They're on their way, so they are. They're coming over the rails in their long trains just as they always did with the red, white and blue and gilded cages on the double-length flat cars, with the elephants and jungle beasts grunting and squealing and trumpeting when the engineer puts on the brakes too suddenly, for Sells-Floto circus will exhibit at Salem Thursday, June 13.

With direct encouragement and provision by Uncle Sam, the Sells-Floto management this season has spent thousands of dollars in adding to both parade and performances scores of patriotic and "win the war" features. In the two-mile parade will be seen one great section of "America-in-Action" floats and tableaux wagons upon which will be seen Columbia and symbolical figures of all

our allied nations. This section will be headed by a five and drum corps of bona fide veterans of the Civil War—men who fought at Gettysburg, Chickamauga, Vicksburg, Fort Donelson and Malvern Hill. They appear in their old regulation uniforms fully armed. They are all over seventy years of age. Behind them will come fifty mounted girls dressed in the uniforms of the soldiers of five great wars. Other beautiful patriotic floats follow.

NEED FOR WHEAT.

Leaves of absence are granted from time to time as the exigencies of the service permit. The surgeon general's office is making every effort to provide comfortable living quarters for the nurses. The Red Cross has completed plans for the building of a home for nurses at every army camp in the United States. These houses will consist of an assembly hall, library, sewing room and kitchen, and will add greatly to the comfort of the nurses. The assembly hall has been so planned as to make it suitable for dancing, receptions, a lounging room and the showing of motion pictures.

Never before has there been such urgent need for wheat.

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SCOUT COUNCIL MAY ORGANIZE

Meeting Is Called at First Presbyterian Church This Afternoon

This afternoon at the First Presbyterian church there will be a conference of representatives from various points in Marion and Polk counties looking to the formation of the district council of the Boy Scouts organization, which has been under



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