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Army Signal Corps Will Carry on a System of Experiments—Purpose Is to Prove to Congress That Aerial Navigation Is Practical.

Washington, July 21.—Aeronauts and army officers who look to them to develop the art of war in the fourth medium—the air—are beginning to center their attention upon Fort Myer, near Washington, where the army signal corps is soon to determine by actual experiment what part aerial maneuvers can be made to play in the American game of warfare.

Captain Baldwin's dirigible balloon which he has built according to army specifications, has been shipped and is being assembled. In a few days it will be put through the paces prescribed by the signal corps. It is not built on so large a scale as the Zeppelin dirigible nor is it expected to establish a record for air craft. Yet the trials, if successful, will be important as marking the beginning of a period of development of air navigation by the army.

Next month the Herring and Wright aeroplanes will be tried out under the most exacting conditions. These trial flights are expected to be the longest attained, the specifications calling for a machine that will remain in air for an hour. The trials will also be the first notable public demonstration of the Wright machine which has been the great mystery of the aeronautic world.

General Allen and officers of the signal corps are counting upon these trials to bring home to congress the practicability of air navigation. If success is attained an appropriation will be asked to enable the corps to devote its energies to building up an aerial fleet and encouraging inventors in perfecting mechanical aerial flight.

This feature of the trials is by far the most important. Since the experiments of Prof. Langley on the Potomac which, although they did not solve the problem of flight, went far toward perfecting the necessary mechanical apparatus, congress and, as a consequence, the army have looked upon aerial flight as a chimerical notion. The ridicule following Langley's experiments had much to do with his death and the subsequent praise of his work by all scientists has tended to make the national legislators more charitable and less cocksure.

If the aeroplanes and dirigibles are fairly successful in answering army requirements it is probable that congress will appropriate a sum sufficient to take up this work in earnest.

There is in America no lack of inventors. General Allen, of the signal corps, has kept well in touch with them. Besides there are hundreds of aspirants, many of them cranks, who deluge the department with all manner of suggestions, plans and even miniature ships of the air. If the army takes up the question there is no doubt that in a few years the United States will be abreast of any nation in aerial equipment.

WEEK OF HOT WEATHER.

Uniformly Warm All Over the State of Oregon.

The mean temperature averaged nearly normal in the eastern counties and four degrees above normal in the western counties. The first three days were relatively cool in the western counties and the increment of heat was all gained during the last four days, when temperatures of 90 degrees were common and the 100 degree mark was equalled or exceeded in a few locations, except near the coast, where normal temperatures prevailed. In the eastern counties the temperatures were slightly below normal until the last two days of the week, when warmer weather prevailed.

Light rains fell in the Willamette valley, the southwestern counties and along the coast on the 13th and 15th, and daily rains, unusually heavy in places, occurred on the 13th, 14th and 15th in the eastern counties. These rains, although damaging a few limited localities, were on the whole very beneficial and effectually broke the drought which has prevailed since the third decade of last month.

Other than a few wind squalls accompanied thunderstorms, no high winds occurred during the week and the sunshine was about normal.

Columbia River Valley.
Weston, Umatilla county, Maud M. Baker.—The fore part of the week was very warm. A heavy thunderstorm, with cooler weather, occurred on Wednesday, since which it gradually grew warmer, with clear skies. Joseph, Wallowa county, F. F. McCully.—It was very warm during the fore part of the week. Much needed rain fell on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The weather was fine the rest of the week.

Hepner, Morrow county, George Whittels.—The weather was hot and sultry Monday until 3:30 p. m., when a heavy thunderstorm came up and nearly two inches of rain fell in three hours. Another much lighter storm occurred Wednesday night, and a light shower Thursday night, since which it has been clear.

Mikkalo, Gilliam county, J. F. Chandler.—The fore part of the week was hot and sultry. A heavy thunderstorm occurred on Monday and another one Tuesday night. The latter part of the week was cool and pleasant. Considerable damage was done along streams by high water Monday night.

Hood River, Wasco county, H. L. Hasbrouck.—The fore part of the week was cool, with rain on Monday. The remaining days were partly cloudy and moderately warm.

Condon, Gilliam county, S. C. Dodson.—Good rains have fallen this week, which will improve conditions. The winds have shifted from southerly to westerly.

Wasco, Sherman county, J. R. Howell.—The fore part of the week was cool and rainy. Friday and Saturday were warm days, with east winds.

The Dalles, Wasco county, S. L. Brooks.—On Monday scattered thunderstorms and severe wind and rain with hail occurred in different nearby localities, doing much damage. On the whole the week has been very warm.

Hamilton, Umatilla county, C. W. Kellogg.—The weather as a whole for the week was good, the temperature being some lower than the previous week, with light rains on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

NEW ZEALAND PREPARES WELCOME FOR FLEET.

British Island Province Will Entertain American Fleet in Style.

Auckland N. Z., July 22.—Although New Zealand owns allegiance to the British crown, the ignorant visitor would be inclined to believe it an American colony, owing to the wild enthusiasm that has been aroused by the prospective visit of the Yankee fleet. Thousands of American flags have made their appearance in the city. The fleet will not arrive until August 3, but the preparations for its reception, in progress for many weeks, are about completed.

The governor of the colony, all the federal officials, mayors and municipal authorities will participate in the welcome. Guns will boom and American flags float from staffs all over the city when the battleships steam into the harbor. There will be receptions, excursions and parades galore, sporting events for the sailors and dinners for the officers. The legislature will adjourn during the stay of the fleet and will give an elaborate function in honor of the American admirals.

CAMPING AT "THE FRONT."

Large Colony of People at Wallowa Railroad Camp.

There is a city of tents at the construction headquarters near the junction of the Wallowa and Grande Ronde rivers where the railroad company recently established the material supply yards, says the La Grande Star.

It is said that there are upwards of 50 families at the camp and they are enjoying life to the fullest extent. The families of Chief Engineer Brandon, Contractor McCoy and a large number of the railroad employes are comfortably established for the summer.

A number of the office clerks in the construction department also have their families with them. Engineer Brandon has an office fitted up in a box car with Brussels carpet on the floor and other furnishings in the most comfortable style.

There is a water supply pumped direct from the depths of the Wallowa river, clear as crystal and cool. By a system of hydrants all the tents in the camp have a fine water supply. Fresh provisions go down to the camp every day and there is hardly anything lacking for the comfort and enjoyment of the railroad colony in the canyon of the Grande Ronde.

TIMOTHY HAY DAMAGED BY RAINS IN NACHES.

Report is Circulated That 900 Acres Have Suffered From the Storms.

Damage was done to approximately 900 acres of timothy hay in the Upper and Lower Naches valleys by the rains of last week, according to reports in circulation in North Yakima, says the Republic. While no claim is made that the hay grown on an acreage equal to that given has been destroyed, it is asserted that it was damaged, and instead of being first, will be second quality, or less. John McPhee of the Upper Naches, who was in North Yakima today, declared that he had made no estimate of the total acreage but had no doubt in his own mind that it would run as high as given above, the hay for the most part, was in the cack, the cacks being comparatively small. On the Sunday night preceding the rain there had been a very heavy wind which had loosened the tops of the cacks and before repairs could be made the rains had come and soaked the hay throughout. The rains in the Naches, according to Mr. McPhee, were not as heavy as those in and near North Yakima, but they found the hay in just such condition as made it easy of being damaged. There was also some damage to the alfalfa but nothing serious or definite has been heard in that regard.

Worms Destroy Cherry Trees.

A peculiar sort of worm is at work in the cherry trees in Stevens county. Wash. It hatches on the leaf and works the green from the fiber until the fallage loses life. Spraying seems not to affect the pest, but where a strong spray of water can be obtained it is an easy matter to wash them from the trees.

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