



# BRITISH WARSHIP SUNK

## REDFIELD SOUNDS NOTE OF OPTIMISM FOR THE NEW YEAR

Business Outlook is Cheerful and in Promises for 1915 There is No Room for Gloom.

## NO WARRANT FOR DEPRESSION

Prices Promise to Rise — Everyone Must Do His Share to Help Along Prosperity, Declares Secretary of Commerce — Effect of European War is Passing.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Heartened by months of close study of the business outlook of the nation, Secretary Redfield, of the department of commerce, wrote a New Year's greeting to the merchants and manufacturers of the country, bidding them in characteristic language to reach out for the prosperity he sees within their grasp. There is no warrant, Mr. Redfield declares, for gloom or despair. The ill-effect of the European war on American enterprise is passing and new vistas for commercial venture are opening with each new day.

Prices Likely to Rise. "If you want prosperity, do your share to bring it and do it now," he says. "Get that addition on your shop going; it will cost you less to day than six months hence. Is trade a bit dull in the works? Get those improvements begun. Prices are low and likely to rise. You've been thinking of that contract work. Better start yourself before things get the start of you."

"This country slows down a bit now and then, but it never stops growing and it always moves up and not down. We don't know what it means in most of the United States to have real general distress. Think of Belgium and Poland, O man with a grouch, and sink into your hole and (Continued on page eight.)

## BELGIAN QUEEN SENDS A MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION

WOMEN OF AMERICA THANKED FOR THEIR WORK IN AIDING SUFFERERS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Mrs. Lindon W. Pates, of New York, chairman of the woman's section of the commission for relief in Belgium, has received the following letter from Queen Elizabeth of Belgium:

"Headquarters Belgian Army. "It gives me great pleasure to accept the invitation which has been transmitted to me to become patroness of the woman's section of the American commission for relief in Belgium. I wish to extend to the women of America the deep gratitude of the women of Belgium for the work which they are doing for my people.

"The food which your country is daily providing to our women and children comes like a ray of sunlight in the darkest hour of Belgium's history. The Belgian women have fought a brave fight and are still fighting for the common cause of human liberty so dear to every American woman's heart.

In the letter from Belgium's Queen also came this one from King Albert's sister:

"Chairman Woman's Section for Relief in Belgium, New York: "I gladly accept your invitation to become patroness of the Woman's section of the American commission for relief in Belgium. I know that I speak for every Belgian woman and every Belgian child when I say that we thank God for what you are doing. Now that the extremity of our distress is becoming known, we feel sure the tender hearts of the women of America will respond to our cry.

"Food is terribly needed by millions of my brave brother's unhappy subjects, who still remain in their native land. Before winter is over the need will become still more desperate. In the name of the suffering women and little children of Belgium, I ask the women of America to help us. "HENRIETTE."

That new projectile designed to scatter molten metal and poisonous gases was not the one thing needed to make this a merry Christmas.

## RUSSIANS CAPTURE LINE OF TRENCHES IN BAYONET FIGHT

Turks are Driven Out of First Defense After Battle in Which Losses are Reported Enormous.

## LULL IN POLAND FIGHTING

Both Sides Take Time to Redepose Their Troops Which Recently Were Heavily Reinforced—Bloody Fighting Reported in Alsace Between the French and Germans.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 1.—Fighting between the Russians and the Turks in trans-Caucasia was growing worse today. It was admitted the Turks held Sarkayaway but the trenches in front of the town had been taken by the Russians in desperate bayonet charges.

The Turk losses were said to have been enormous. In Poland, according to the war office, there was a comparative lull while both sides redeployed their troops which had been reinforced.

PARIS, Jan. 1.—Bloody fighting was in progress in Alsace today on the heights of the Meuse and in the Champagne region.

Elsewhere there was not much stirring. Artillery duels are going on at some places but the infantry is inactive on account of bad weather.

It seemed evident the French intended to follow up their latest successes in Alsace by movements of capital importance.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—From the French and Russian war offices messages were received disputing the number of Gallic and Slav war prisoners said to have been taken by the Germans thus far.

The German statement placed the total at 3138 and 577,875. Of this, according to Paris and Petrograd accounts, not more than fifteen percent are soldiers, the balance being civilians seized and imprisoned in concentration camps since the war broke out.

State Highway Desired. CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 1.—The Kelso Commercial club has taken steps which will result in combining the efforts of interested communities for action by the next legislature toward the opening up as a state highway of the route west of Kelso to the coast.

A committee of Kelso business men went to Cathlamet today and another meeting probably will be held at Ilwaco tomorrow. It is further proposed that a meeting of representatives of all the districts between Kelso and the coast be called at Cathlamet some time next week.

There was less than four inches of snow during the year. February furnished the most, an inch each on the 5th and 10th and a trace on the 4th. January had a trace on the 9th and 27th. November produced one inch on the 16th. December a quarter of an inch on the 17th; a half inch on the 19th and traces on the 5th, 11th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 18th and 27th.

The following are the maximum and minimum temperatures for the twelve months: January 76 on the 6th, 27 on the 10th and 23th; February, 62 on the 25th, 5 on the 8th; March, 49 on the 17th, 24 on the 10th and 23th; April, 82 on the 20th, 27 on the 28th; May, 95 on the 31st, 30 on the 5th; June, 98 on the 16th, 39 on the 6th, 10th and 22nd; July, 105 on the 18th, 44 on the 5th; August, 105 on the 13th, 42 on the 24th; September, 94 on the 2nd, 36 on the 29th; October, 83 on the 15th, 30 on the 23 and 24th; November, 68 on the 1st, 23 on the 15th and 17th; December, 56 on the 1st, zero on the 21st.

The following table shows the normal precipitation month by month, the 1914 precipitation, the number of clear days, the number of partly cloudy, the number of cloudy and the number of rainy days:

Mo.	N.R.	1914	Clr.	P.	Cl	Cly	Rny
Jan.	1.59	1.51	3	15	13	12	
Feb.	1.47	1.02	2	10	16	8	
Mar.	1.62	.35	12	11	8	6	
Apr.	1.01	1.59	11	14	5	13	
May	1.46	1.26	16	12	3	7	
June	.97	1.52	17	5	8	7	
July	.45	.27	19	11	1	4	
Aug.	.43	.25	8	0	0	0	
Sept.	.89	1.20	13	13	4	11	
Oct.	1.19	1.23	13	14	4	9	
Nov.	1.51	.55	11	11	8	6	
Dec.	1.51	.21	6	12	13	6	
Total	14.10	10.71	148	134	83	89	

## KAISER REVIEWS VICTORIES GAINED BY GERMAN ARMIES

ENEMY IS STILL KEPT LOW HE DECLARES IN NEW YEAR'S ADDRESS.

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—"After five long months of heavy, hot fighting," said the Kaiser in his New Year's address to Germany, "we enter a new year. Brilliant victories have been gained by us and great success achieved. The German army is almost everywhere in the enemy's territory. Repeated attempts by the enemy to swarm into German territory with their legions have failed everywhere. My ships have covered themselves with glory on every sea. Their crews have proven they not only know how to fight but how to die like heroes when superior forces overwhelmed them. Behind the army and navy, stand the entire German people, in unexampled harmony, prepared to sacrifice their heart's blood for the sacred domestic hearth we are defending against outrageous invasions. Much has come to pass in the old year but our enemies are still kept low."

## NO TRUTH IN STORY THAT HOT LAKE IS FROZEN OVER

TALE IS PURE FABRICATION DE-CLARES MANAGER OF THE RESORT.

Hot Lake, Ore., Jan. 1, 1915. Editor East Oregonian: A cold weather story, absolutely untrue, has been published in nearly all the leading papers of the northwest including the "East Oregonian" to the effect that Hot Lake has frozen over and the guests are skating on it.

I wonder the romancer did not add that a skater broke through the ice and scalded his feet. There is not a word of truth in the article.

There is a small pond near Hot Lake which freezes over every winter, but Hot Lake itself has never yet been affected by the weather, and on the coldest day this season the steam from the surface of the lake could be seen for miles.

Will you kindly aid me in nullifying the effect of such a libel on this old natural wonder of the northwest? Yours truly, G. W. TAPE, Manager.

## 25 PER CENT GAIN IS SHOWN AT HIGH SCHOOL

TOTAL ENROLLMENT FOR YEAR WILL RUN ABOVE THE 200 MARK.

The Pendleton high school is enjoying a flourishing year is shown by the fact the enrollment at the present time is more than 25 per cent greater than at this time a year ago. There are now 266 students enrolled whereas Jan. 1, 1914, the enrollment was 210. The enrollment will be further increased at the opening of the new semester and there are indications the total enrollment for the year will go above the 300 mark. Last year the total enrollment was 265.

## 1367 ARRESTS ARE MADE IN CITY DURING THE YEAR

But love renders a man color blind to complexion.

A total of 1367 arrests were made by the Pendleton police during the year just closed. The month of September, with its Round-up festivities, had by far the greatest number of prisoners, the total being 216. November was the short month with only 70. By a singular coincidence there were exactly 100 arrests made in each of the first two months of the year. The records show the other months as follows: March 114, April 134, May 119, June 121, July 119, August 134, September 216, October 108, November 70, December 92.

Last year the Pendleton police made 1319 arrests with September the banner month with 268 arrests. Giving an indication of how the activities of the local police compare with the activities of the police of other cities are figures from the Walling Walla department. With three times Pendleton's population and with 24 police to Pendleton's four, that city had but 1488 prisoners during 1914 and but 1552 during 1913.

## NEWS SUMMARY

General. British battleship Formidable is sunk in English channel presumably by a submarine. Russians drive Turks from trenches after desperate fight. Secretary Redfield sounds note of optimism for the new year. Turkish military head at Jerusalem is murdered. Local. Mrs. E. P. Marshall critically ill; Library Ball postponed. New implement house to locate in Pendleton. New year ushered in with festivities. Weather records show but few rainy days in Pendleton. Postal business for 1914 largest in history. Divorce on increase in Umatilla county. Police made 1370 arrest during year.

## Library Ball Postponed

Owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Edwin P. Marshall, secretary of the library board, the annual Library Ball, scheduled for this evening, has been postponed. This action was taken by the other members of the board at a meeting held at 10:30 this morning after they had learned of the critical condition of Mrs. Marshall.

Inasmuch as all arrangements had been made for the dance, the U and I Club has taken over the large orchestra which had been employed, the punch which had been made and the decorations which had been put up and will give a big dance in the Eagle-Woodman hall.

## MRS. E. P. MARSHALL IS CRITICALLY ILL AT HOME

PROMINENT PENDLETON WOMAN IS NOT EXPECTED TO SURVIVE THE DAY.

Mrs. Edwin P. Marshall, one of Pendleton's best known ladies and leader for years in society circles and in charitable work, is so seriously ill at her home on North Main street that she is not expected to survive through the day. For the past 24 hours she has been hovering between life and death, and the physicians have been in constant attendance upon her.

Mrs. Marshall is suffering from an exhaustion of her vital strength. For the past few weeks she has not been in her usual health and since Christmas she has been feeling ill although she was able to be out as late as Tuesday. Ptomaine poisoning within the past two days contributed toward a general breakdown of the life forces. Her heart action is very weak and she has almost no pulse, according to Drs. Hayden and Dr. D. W. McNary who have been at her bedside since yesterday morning.

Late this morning the report was that there was but little change in her condition.

## TURKISH MILITARY HEAD AT JERUSALEM MURDERED

KILLING TAKES PLACE CHRISTMAS DAY ACCORDING TO REFUGEES.

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 1.—The murder on Christmas day of Djemal Pasha, Turkish military commander at Jerusalem, was reported by refugees from the Ottoman port of Jaffa. They said Djemal arrived at Jerusalem on December 24 with 5000 miserably equipped troops and assumed charge of its defense. The next morning he was found dead in a hotel.

## IDAHO LIKELY TO BE IN THE DRY COLUMN

LEWISTON, Idaho, Jan. 31.—"I understand that an attempt will be made at the coming session of the legislature to give Idaho statewide prohibition by a statutory provision putting the measure in effect January 1, 1916," said Senator E. E. Elliott, of Bonner county. "If the measure is not passed a constitutional amendment will be submitted at the next general election. Under local option 23 of the 33 counties in the state are dry."

## O'BRIEN OPPOSES PROPOSED MEASURE

BIG RAILROAD OFFICIAL SAYS PUBLIC SUFFERS WHEN RAILROAD COSTS INCREASE.

J. P. O'Brien, vice-president and general manager of the O-W. R. & N. company, when interviewed concerning the construction of terminal at Pilot Rock Junction, said:

"It has not been determined when actual work will begin. With the railroads barely able to make revenue and expenditures meet, owing to growing overhead charges, it is becoming increasingly difficult to finance such projects. This is not due to the European war; it is a condition which has existed for several years. Excessive taxation and anti-railroad legislation are primarily responsible. The annual taxes of the O-W. R. & N. company for the year ending 1913 amounted to \$1,454,000, or practically \$4,000 per day for every day of the year.

## PENDLETON POSTOFFICE GAINS OVER \$1500 IN THE LAST YEAR

A gain of over \$1500 was made in the receipts of the Pendleton postoffice during the year just closed over the year 1913. The total receipts for 1913 was \$25,850.34 and for this year \$27,403.41, a difference of \$1553.07. At that rate of increase within two years the local postmaster will receive a raise in salary, the \$30,000 mark being the turning point. It was only last year that the increase in the business here resulted in a salary raise.

Every month during the past year with the exception of February, June, August and September, showed a gain over the corresponding month of the year before. The October gain was especially large owing to the campaign literature sent through the mails. The 1915 December receipts were more than \$100 in excess of 1914.

Month	1913	1914
January	\$2503.39	\$2554.22
February	1797.92	1787.07
March	1986.16	2244.35
April	2027.55	2414.28
May	1897.58	1903.49
June	1945.91	1831.91
July	2253.55	2435.52
August	1928.26	1817.59
September	2429.89	2188.61
October	2347.54	3011.90
November	1892.95	1973.71
December	2039.41	2140.66
Total	\$25850.34	\$27403.41

## FORMIDABLE SENT TO BOTTOM OF THE ENGLISH CHANNEL

Admiralty States Uncertainty Whether Vessel Struck a Mine or Was Torpedoed by a Submarine.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The British battleship Formidable was sunk today in the English channel. A statement to this effect was officially announced by the admiralty. The statement said that it was uncertain whether the battleship struck a mine or was torpedoed by a submarine.

## 71 SURVIVORS ARE RESCUED

Death of Trained Officers and Crew is Admitted to Be Severe Blow to England—Vessel Itself Was of Old Type, Having Been Built in 1901—Cost 5 Millions.

Seventy-one survivors were picked up. It is possible that others of the crew were saved but, the statement added, no reports from them had been received.

The Formidable was one of the best of the 15 known battle craft which have been doing coast guard duty and aiding the fighting along (Continued on page eight.)

## WHEN IT COMES TO WEATHER, THE PENDLETON BRAND IS EXCELLENT

There were only 83 days during the 365 days of 1914 upon which Old Sol did not show his face to Pendleton people. The records kept day by day by E. F. Averill, official weather observer, show that and many other interesting things. These records show that 148 days were perfectly clear and that 134 of the remaining days were partly clear. Only on 89 days was there enough rain to measure, that is over .01 of an inch. There was a deficiency of 3.39 inches in the year's precipitation, most of the shortage coming within the past two months and in August when not a drop fell. The normal rainfall for the year is 14.1 inches and the total for 1914 was but 10.71 inches. The statistics kept by the weather observer show that the temperature during the year ranged 106 degrees, from zero to 106. The coldest night of the year was on Dec. 21 when the mercury sank to zero and the hottest day of August 13 when it climbed six degrees above the 100 mark. The stormiest day of the year was February 10 when snow, sleet and rain fell. On that day there fell one inch of snow and the total precipitation, melted snow, sleet and rain, was .46 of an inch. June 13 was the wettest day of the year, the rainfall being .58 of an inch. May 15 was but .08 of an inch behind this mark. April was the wettest month with 1.59 inches and June was second, with 1.52. July and August were unusually dry. August not only did not have a drop of rain during the month but did not have a cloudy day even. The best it could do was to make a small showing of clouds on six days. February had less clear days than any other month, only two being marked thus in the records. January had but three. April showers were a reality for not only did this month furnish the greatest precipita-