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Forecast for Eastern Oregon, by the United States Weather Bureau at Portland.

Rain tonight and Saturday.

CELLO BOOSTERS LEAVE FOR COUNTY POINTS IN AUTOS

With Trumpets Blaring and Banners Streaming Local Delegation Get Away at 10 This Morning.

TICKETS WILL BE PLACED

At Each Town Visited, Opening of Canal Will Be Advertised and All Will Be Urged to Attend Celebration—Eight Automobiles Carry Delegation from This City.

WESTON, Ore., April 2.—(Special)—It was a great day in the interests of the Cello canal celebration today when the Pendleton delegation reached town in their automobiles and proceeded to unlimber a great store of enthusiasm. In fact, all along the route to this point, the boosters found the townspeople in a mood to respond to the infectious spirit of the Pendleton men who, while booming the Cello opening, found an opportunity of putting in a word for good roads.

The first town reached was Adams. There, in anticipation of the visit, the Adams band was out to welcome the visitors. A street meeting was held at which Jack Robinson presided. E. G. Marquis, of Adams, was delegated to handle the tickets for the excursion trip on the Columbia. The citizens of Adams also joined in a good roads meeting and T. A. Llewellyn was selected delegate to attend the roads meeting in Pendleton on April 3.

At Athena, the next place reached, the band of that place was on hand to greet the Pendleton delegation with several selections of the best kind of music, and an enthusiastic street meeting was held. The sale of tickets for the river trip was placed in the hands of B. E. Richards. It was announced that the citizens of Athena will hold a good roads meeting tomorrow at which time a delegate will be selected to attend the Pendleton meeting. At the street gathering, George Hartman, Jr., presided.

When the auto party left for Weston, they took along with them Mr. Gordon, the band leader and Jack Vincent, a prominent young Athena resident and an enthusiastic street meeting followed.

From this town the Pendletonians will go to Milton thence to Freewater. With trumpets blaring and banners streaming in the breeze, Pendleton's auto excursion into the east end of the county for the purpose of boosting the Umatilla county celebration of the opening of the Cello canal is in progress today. At 10 o'clock eight autos, loaded with enthusiastic boosters, left the Hotel Pendleton and they will not arrive home until evening.

The towns of Adams, Athena, Weston, Milton and Freewater are being visited and the residents of those towns from first to last are not permitted to doubt the nature of the invasion. Along the sides and backs of each car are streamers bearing the words "Cello Canal Celebration Boosters" and each community is impressed with the idea that this is no empty title for every man is explaining the greatness of the waterway and the bigness of the plans for celebrating its completion. Tickets for the steamer which is to bear the Umatilla delegation as far down the river as The Dalles are being left in each town.

EVERYBODY IS BUSY TODAY CLEANING UP BACK YARDS

TOMORROW WILL ALSO BE TIME TO GET RUBBISH CUT FOR CITY TEAMSTERS.

Pendleton is at the climax of her clean-up campaign, today and tomorrow being the annual clean-up days as set by the city council. Most of the residents have responded splendidly to the suggestion that back yards and vacant lots be cleaned of rubbish and debris and five teams were put to work by the city this morning to haul away the results. The city prisoners are helping the teamsters in this work which will continue until all of the sacked rubbish piled along the streets has been gathered up and taken to the dump grounds.

Berlin Claims to Have Forced French to Main Positions

SEVERAL DAYS' FIGHTING NEAR TO THE ENEMY. ST. MIHEL DISASTROUS

BERLIN, April 2.—After several days of fighting northeast of St. Miheil, the French were forced to evacuate nearly the entire Lepretre woods, the war office announced. The enemy now holds two blockhouses near the advanced positions of the Germans who resisted attacks and then assumed the offensive, driving the French back upon their main defenses. The French delivered repeated assaults against the German positions. Each was shattered by the German artillery which inflicted heavy losses.

French Claim Gains

PARIS, April 2.—The blowing up of several German trenches near Dompierre by mines was reported in a war office announcement. Dompierre is eight miles north of St. Miheil. With the French offensive continuing in this region where a concerted attempt is being made to drive a wedge into the German line, the isolating of the enemy on the west bank of the Meuse is expected. Belgian aviators dropped bombs on the German aviation camp at Handzamek with apparent success.

Austrian Ship Lost

LONDON, April 2.—An Austrian steamer carrying war munitions was sunk in the Danube, according to Nink dispatches. The vessel was disabled by a mine. Serbian artillery sent her to the bottom.

14 BIDS SUBMITTED ON NEW FEDERAL BUILDING

LOWEST PROPOSAL COMES FROM JAMES S. WINTERS, PORTLAND CONTRACTOR.

The fourteen bids received for the construction of the Pendleton federal building had a range of nearly \$37,000 between the lowest and highest. The lowest bid, as previously announced, was from James S. Winters, the Portland contractor who bids for the Hotel Pendleton. His bid for a limestone building was \$44,487 and for a sandstone building was \$109,422. The following is a list of the bids as received at the office of the supervising architect of the treasury department at Washington, D. C.:

- Alloway & Geor. Spokane, Wash. limestone, \$193,269; sandstone, \$198,269. Dieter & Wintel Con. Co., Wichita, Kans. limestone, \$97,983. J. B. Sweatt, Spokane, Wash. limestone, \$106,337; sandstone, \$106,300. Welch Bros. & Hannaman, Grass Valley, Calif., limestone, \$92,219; sandstone, \$92,219. Palmberg & Mattson, Astoria, Ore., limestone, \$106,337; sandstone, \$106,810. Erikson & Larson, Seattle, Wash., limestone, \$95,228; sandstone, \$95,042. Geo. A. Whitmeyer & Sons, Ogden, Utah, limestone, \$105,621. Eugene Schuler, Pasadena, Calif., limestone, \$119,000; sandstone, \$120,000. Olson & Johnson Co., Missoula, Mont., limestone, \$7,445; sandstone, \$87,620. Sound Constr. & Eng. Co., Seattle, Wash., limestone, \$92,562; sandstone, \$92,362. John Almeter, Portland, Ore., limestone, \$92,548; sandstone, \$92,520. Booker, Klehl & Whipple, Seattle, Wash., limestone, \$121,422; sandstone, \$121,422. King Lumber Co., Charlottesville, Va., limestone, \$104,000; sandstone, \$104,000. James S. Winters, Portland, Ore., limestone, \$44,487; sandstone, \$94,387.

Insurance Agency Incorporated. Articles of incorporation were today filed for an insurance and realty agency to be known as Charles E. Heard, Inc. Charles E. Heard, A. M. Heard and J. B. McCook are the incorporators.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Austria again reported trying for separate peace with Russia. United States anxious to stop blockade of German coast. French statesmen will visit San Francisco fair. Berlin reports successes against French. Local. Auto excursionists carry news of Cello celebration to east end. Round-up bucking buffalo is dead. Clean-up days in Pendleton arrive. Scale inspection protects dealers as well as public. Bids on federal building have range of \$37,000.

UNITED STATES IS ANXIOUS TO HAVE BLOCKADE LIFTED

Exportation of Potash From Germany is Crying Need—Berlin Willing if Allies Will Conform to Plan.

AMERICA DOING ITS UTMOST

Exportation Could Be Made in Neutral Vessels Bringing Cotton to German Ports According to Arrangements Outlined by Berlin—Bryan Working to Secure Results.

BERLIN, April 2.—The United States through Secretary Bryan is doing the utmost to have the allies lift the blockade against Germany to the extent, at least, to permit the exportation of potash from Germany for the manufacture of fertilizer in America, according to information here. The German government has notified Ambassador Gerard that it will permit the exportation of potash on neutral ships bringing cotton to Germany, providing potash is consigned to the department of commerce of the American government.

Heavy artillery fighting is in progress between St. Miheil and Verdun and along the Meuse heights. A brisk exchange between artillery is reported from the Moselle region. The French shelled the Germans there for 30 hours without effect. It was declared. No important developments on the East Prussian frontier or in Poland were reported.

ITALY AS YET SHOWS NO HASTE IN GOING TO WAR

ALTHOUGH TODAY WAS TIME SET FOR ENTRANCE, SITUATION IS UNCHANGED.

ROME, April 1.—(Delayed)—This is the day, set by rumors for the entrance of Italy into the war on the side of the allies. The situation is as completely unsettled, however, as at the outbreak of hostilities. In spite of reports to the contrary from English and French sources, nothing in the situation is immediately inimical to Germany's interests.

A girl with a dimple will laugh at anything a man says.

Crown Prince of Serbia



SERBIAN CROWN PRINCE TALKING TO CAPTURED AUSTRIAN OFFICERS

German Prisoners May be Placed on Board Merchantmen

PLAN BEING ADVOCATED TO PUT STOP TO ATTACKS BY UNDERSEA CRAFT.

LONDON, April 2.—"Place German prisoners aboard British merchantships." This is the startling proposal of British shippers who are urging the plan upon the government. Petitions are being circulated demanding this step be taken. With German military prisoners carried by all merchantmen, submarines must either show mercy in undersea warfare or send their own countrymen to the bottom, it is argued.

The torpedoing of three more merchantmen with a loss of 30 lives on Thursday has aroused another storm of indignation in Great Britain. Fresh demands for reprisals are being made.

LITTLE GIRL DIES FROM INJURIES IN ACCIDENT

WALLA WALLA CHILD RUN OVER BY AUTO IN FRONT OF HER HOME.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 2.—Nancy Harvey, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harvey 274 Marcus street, ran in front of an automobile on Alder street, opposite her home, about 7:30 o'clock last evening, was knocked down and run over before the machine could be stopped, and died two hours later from injuries received. She never regained consciousness, and attending physicians stated that her brain had become dislodged and that other internal injuries had been inflicted by the hard fall to the pavement when she was struck by the car.

The automobile was driven by Elmer Bowers, well known young man of the city, who lives on Pleasant street. He was accompanied by E. R. Smith, whose father is a farmer near town and the latter's sister and little child.

AUSTRIA AGAIN IS REPORTED TRYING TO SECURE PEACE

Swiss Diplomats are Said to be Acting as Intermediaries Between Russia and Dual Monarchy.

STORY SEEMS WELL FOUNDED

Slav Armies are Threatening to Overrun Hungary and a Speedy Peace is Only Way Apparently That Franz Josef Can Save His Empire—Czar Willing for Peace.

LONDON, April 2.—With the Russian armies threatening to burst through the Carpathians and over-sweep Hungary, Austrian diplomats are making overtures for a separate peace with Russia, according to reports from Petrograd. The reports are as yet unconfirmed officially. Swiss diplomats are acting as intermediaries for the Austrians, according to Petrograd reports. It was stated that Russia will not negotiate with Austria-Hungary unless the Dual Monarchy at the same time concludes peace with France and England. Russia is willing to halt her armies in the Carpathians and listen to peace proposals, it was stated.

Correspondents for London papers in Petrograd declared these are grounds for the belief the report of negotiations might be true. The report at first was printed by the Sussky Slove, in Petrograd, an unusually well informed paper. Diplomats here are not generally inclined to place much credence in the report. It was admitted, however, that concluding a separate peace arrangement with the allies might not only save Emperor Franz Josef his empire from disintegration but definitely remove the prospects of Italy attempting to shut Austria out from the Adriatic by forcing territorial concessions.

84 SCALES INSPECTED BY LOCAL OFFICIAL IN MARCH

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES HAS BUSY MONTH TESTING INSTRUMENTS.

Protection for the public and protection for the dealers is alike afforded by the inspection of the weights and measures by a county officer. This much is shown by the March report of E. F. Averill, deputy sealer for Umatilla county. For instance the report not only shows that many merchants and dealers were using measures and weights that were short but that also some were actually using measures that were long.

The report shows that during the month a total of 84 scales were inspected in the county. Of this number 39 were in error but of the 29 Deputy Averill was able to adjust 23. Seven were condemned. Those that were found O. K. and the 23 adjusted were sealed by the officer.

Mr. Averill found 88 weights during the month that were accurate and 23 that were inaccurate. These latter were destroyed. He sealed 40 liquid measures and condemned three. He found one coal oil pump that was short one half pint on the gallon and he found a gasoline pump that was giving too much for a gallon. He also found one computing scale that was registering five ounces against the store. He inspected 287 counter-tacks, three yard sticks and 29 showcase markers. One report was made to him that ten yards purchased from a store were short weight. An investigation showed that the store had charged for five pounds of wrapper and three extra pounds beyond that. When notified the merchant corrected the charge.

ROUND-UP'S FAMOUS BULL BUFFALO IS NOW NO MORE

BUCK, FAMED AS BIG ATTRACTION AT FRONTIER SHOW, DIES WEDNESDAY.

Buck, the bucking bull buffalo of the Round-up, is no more. He has gone to the land where all but a few of his kind are cropping green bunch grass on Elysian plains. Speaking more plainly, he is dead, and Lettie, his faithful mate, is a widow. After suffering for a week from what veterinarians pronounced as pneumonia he expired Wednesday night at Round-up Park. The directors of the Round-up have had his shaggy hide removed with the head and feet and intend mounting it if a taxidermist can be found. Buck died at the age of four years, having been a two-year-old when the Round-up association purchased him in Montana two years ago.

Chinese in America to Start Fund to Protect Homeland

MONEY WILL BE USED FOR DEFENSE IN CASE OF TROUBLE WITH JAPAN.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—A movement for the collection of a fund of millions to be used in the defense of China in case of difficulties with Japan, was started today among Chinese following a secret meeting last night. Leaders of the local Chinese and representatives of the Chinese revolutionary party were said to have participated. It is proposed to ask every one of the estimated 800,000 Chinese in America to contribute \$20 toward the fund.

PROTEST MADE AGAINST EXECUTION OF 2 TURKS

TURKISH AMBASSADOR APPEALS FOR REDRESS TO SECRETARY OF STATE BRYAN.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The Turkish ambassador has appealed to Secretary Bryan for redress as a result of execution at Tormson of Salomon Nigri and Rafael Ferenc, Turkish subjects. It is alleged they were seized and executed by Villa soldiers charged with counterfeiting. Advice reaching the Turkish embassy stated the men had shown their money to Villa officials previously and it had been approved as genuine. Both were merchants.

GERMAN FLOTILLA OF SUBMARINES IS MENACING ENGLAND

LONDON, April 2.—An entire flotilla of German submarines is menacing British shipping in the North sea. While destroyers are sweeping the channel in search of undersea raiders, four vessels have been torpedoed and sunk in the North sea in the past 24 hours. In addition to 30 who perished with the sinking of three steamers reported yesterday, it is feared there has been further loss of life. Three small trawlers have been sunk off the mouth of the Tyne by the submarine U-19, according to Newcastle dispatches. The Norwegian sailing vessel Nor was torpedoed off Holland yesterday by the U-20. An Amsterdam dispatch declared the crew of 12 was rescued. Newcastle's later reported the crews of the trawlers Gloriana and Nellie, two of the vessels sunk were rescued by fishing vessels and landed there.

BOTH BOYS ARE IN FINE SHAPE FOR BOUT TONIGHT

FARRELL AND EVANS EACH SURE OF WINNING—BIG ATTENDANCE PROMISED.

"I never felt better in my life and Farrell will have to step a fast pace if he wins from me."—Bobby Evans. "I am in shape to give Evans the battle of his life."—Billy Farrell. "Take your choice. They're both good."—Promoter R. C. Shaw. The above is the way the two principals and the promoter of the fifteen round bout tonight in the Oregon theater expressed themselves this morning. Both of the lightweight scrappers seemed confident of pounding out a win and, from all indications, the fans are to see one of the best bouts ever pulled off here.

Evans arrived last evening from Walla Walla where he had been training in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium and was accompanied by Abey Gordon, the little 100 pound newsboy scrapper of Portland who has made such a sensation. Evans declares he is lighter now than he has been in the four years he has been fighting, tipping the scales at 132. The articles call for 135 at 8 o'clock this afternoon.

Evans and Farrell have never met before. In fact they do not know each other. Farrell saw Evans' style of work in the latter's bout with Eddie Shannon recently and to that extent has the advantage of Evans who has never seen his opponent in action. "I don't even know how he puts his hands up," Evans said this morning, "but I am not worrying any over that."

STATESMEN TO BE SENT FROM FRANCE TO SAN FRANCISCO

Leading Men Will Come Here to Attend Panama-Pacific Fair as an Act of Appreciation.

PRESENT ALSO TO BE MADE

Special Album Fashioned by French Artists Will be Presented America Through President Poincare—Delegation Will Not Come to Talk War Propaganda.

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PARIS, April 2.—To show appreciation of the many spontaneous acts of friendship by the people of the United States, France will send a delegation of leading statesmen to the Panama exposition at San Francisco, it was announced. As an added token a special album of 63 original drawings are being fashioned by French artists for formal presentation to America through Ambassador Sharp. The presentation will be made by President Poincare. The ceremony will take place sometime in May, probably at Sorbonne. Senator Hanotaux, president of the Franco-American commission, is in charge of the matter, assisted by the noted artist Leon Bonnat and Henri La Pausse.

In an interview Hanotaux said: "In April, we will send the noted composer Saint-Saens to San Francisco. There is no living musician greater than Saint-Saens. He goes to America as a representative of French music. He has no political mission and will not talk any war propaganda. With Saint-Saens will go M. Lippman, representing the French sciences. In May, Marquis De Chambray, the great grandson of General Lafayette, and Franklin Bousillon, both members of the chamber of deputies will sail for America as representatives of parliament. The last delegation will leave in June. In it either will be M. Stroux or Henry Berthoin, with myself, my health permitting, as representatives of the French academy. I wish to emphasize again we aren't going to America as propagandists. We are willing to let events speak for us."

WALLA WALLA WORKS FOR ROAD TO RIVER

MONSTER MEETING TO BOOST PROPOSAL WILL BE HELD AT WALLA WALLA MAY 4

WALLA WALLA, April 2.—Last night's "Get Together" meeting of the Walla Walla District Commercial club, attended by delegations from nearly all the surrounding towns, developed into another enthusiastic good roads meeting, with the open river celebration at Walla Walla on May 4 as the incentive.

There were about a hundred in attendance, with P. H. Weyrauch, president of the local club, in the chair. A dozen or more speeches, punch, cigars and several delightful songs by Miss Eula Grandberry and Walter Remus, provided the program for the evening, and when the session was adjourned prominent visitors expressed satisfaction that a stronger affiliation of Walla Walla towns had at least one good result.

Following a short talk by President Weyrauch as to the purpose of the meeting, the following speakers were given the floor: O. O. Soots, J. F. Shover of Milton, E. C. Burlingame, A. C. Denny of Milton, Mr. Cummins of Walla Walla, J. M. Crawford, Commissioner Cockburn of Umatilla county, J. M. Morgan, president Walla Walla Commercial club; Paul H. Vostburgh and E. L. Casey of this city. Nearly all the speakers dwelt upon the importance of the Walla Walla celebration, especially E. C. Burlingame and O. O. Soots, who extended the invitation to surrounding towns to join in the festivities, reminding them that the open river was to their interests as well as to Walla Walla, and urging the holding of a monster good roads meeting on the banks of the Columbia, at which it was thought likely that the need of a hard-surfaced road to the river would be forcibly brought home to those present.

- NEW STATE HIGHWAY ENGINEER IN OFFICE
- SALEM, Ore., April 2.—H. L. Gantins of Portland today was given his certificate as state highway engineer and assumed the duties of the office.