

The East Oregonian has the largest paid circulation of any paper in Oregon, east of Portland and over twice the circulation in Pendleton of any other newspaper.

Pendleton Temperatures Yesterday. Maximum 59, minimum 27; rain fall 0; wind, west, light; weather, cloudy.

ITALIANS BEGIN NEW OFFENSIVE AT EVERY POINT

Austrians are Rushing up Reinforcements to Protect Their Positions Before City of Goritz.

ARTILLERY DUELLING IS ON

Several Trenches Are Captured; French Reported to Have Stormed and Taken 200 Yards of Trenches from German Near Verdun; Other Fronts Begin Activity.

ROME, March 12.—After a lull, the Italians became aggressively active on their entire front today. Artillery duelling was reported on Carso Plateau. Attacking Podgora, an entrenched camp before Goritz, the Austrians captured several trenches. The Austrians are rushing reinforcements.

BERLIN, March 12.—Five thousand British were killed and wounded in an unsuccessful attempt to relieve the beleaguered garrison at Kut-el-Amara. Constantinople asserted today fighting around Fellah was announced.

LONDON, March 12.—Avtiators resumed operations today on the western front. A French squadron dropped 20 bombs on the Conflans railway station and others in the zone. Paris said the machines escaped safely. A German aerial floatplane dropped mines at Clermont and at Verdun railway stations. Berlin reported four French aeroplanes were shattered by shrapnel in the Champagne and Verdun regions.

PARIS, March 12.—The French have stormed and captured 200 yards of trenches in the Carnes Forest, taking 20 prisoners, a communique said. An intense bombardment was reported at Douaumont, Bethincourt, Woerfse and the La Pierre Woods. There was no infantry fighting north of Verdun last night. The statement reiterated the fact the Teutons never entered For deVaux. Berlin has admitted the Germans no longer hold the fort.

PARIS, March 12.—German losses for the first three weeks' hammering at Verdun are officially estimated at 260,000.

BERLIN, March 12.—Artillery fighting on the east bank of the Meuse as far as the Moselle river is steadily increasing, it was officially announced. French attacks in the La Pierre Woods were defeated.

SHIFTING SAND IS BARRIER TO ATTACK ON THE SUEZ CANAL

EGYPT IS SAFE FROM GERMAN INVASION FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER YEAR.

(By William Shepherd.)
ROME, March 12.—Egypt and Suez are absolutely safe from the Germans for at least a year. In Athens, I obtained this information direct from a reliable source of Constantinople. The Greek censorship prevented this being sent February was the last shifting desert sands east of the canal were firm enough to sustain marching columns. The movement of artillery supply wagons across the desert will be impossible for months. Stories that the Germans are building railways, are fabrications. They caused great amusement at Constantinople where the character of the desert region is well known. A staff of experts estimated that camels traveling from the end of the Damascus railway toward the canal, could carry only five pounds of ammunition each, besides their own forage. This has dissolved the Arabian Nights dream picture of long camel trains moving enormous supplies of munitions toward the canal. The Germans probably will continue to threaten the canal, hoping to frighten the British into keeping half a million men idle.

Inspected County Roads.
County Judge C. H. Marsh and Engineer Joffe spent yesterday driving over the county inspecting roads. They covered 24 miles, going up Wild Horse and later going down into the Elch and Pilot Rock country. Some of the roads were in good condition but they found stretches badly damaged by the storm.

C. E. McClellan of Juniper is a visitor here today.

Collection Owned by Moorhouse now on Public Exhibit

WONDERFUL CURIOS MAY BE SEEN BY ANYONE VISITING HIS OFFICE.

For the first time since he has owned the exhibit, Major Lee Moorhouse now has his valuable collection of Indian curios, historic relics, Indian pictures and interesting souvenirs in one place where it may be seen by anyone interested. He has just completed installing the full collection in his new offices in the Eagle-Woodman building. Heretofore, he has had part of the exhibit in his office and the bigger part of it at home.

His new offices are commodious and afford him plenty of room for displaying the many interesting curios. In his front office he has his enlarged Indian photographs hung and some of the smaller curios. A large room just beyond it devoted exclusively to Indian and historic relics and there are hundreds of them. In the rear he has rooms fitted up for printing photographs from his thousands of plates.

Major Moorhouse extends an open invitation to the public to visit his offices at all times and inspect the collection which he has been a lifetime gathering together.

ATTEMPT IS MADE TO ROB CELLAR OF HERMAN PETERS

FIVE CASES LIQUOR CARRIED OUT WHEN THIEVES ARE INTERRUPTED.

Another attempt was made late Saturday night to rob the cellar of Herman Peters, former saloonman, of some of the liquor which he has stored there. But for the timely arrival home of Mrs. Peters and her nephew, the attempt would have succeeded as the marauders had carried out five cases of liquor and deposited them over the fence.

Mr. Peters is in Portland and other members of the family had been down town Saturday evening. Returning home about 11 o'clock, they heard the thieves back of the house. They telephoned to the police and Chief Gurdane and Officer Nash responded hurriedly. The men, however, had fled.

Wheat Drops Over Two Cents Today

CHICAGO, March 12.—(Special)—Wheat opening 108 1/2, closing 108 1/8; July, opening 107 3/4, closing 107 3/8.

Portland.
Club 38 bid, 35 asked; bluestem 28 bid, 30 asked.

Liverpool.
LIVERPOOL, March 12.—Wheat—spot No. 1 Manitoba, 148 3/4; No. 2 hard winter, gulf, 128 3/4; No. 2 red western winter, 128.

In American terms the Liverpool top price for spot No. 1 Manitoba is £2.11 per bushel.

Sea tradition as well as international law is being overturned by the submarine campaign. The captains of both the Lusitania and Arabic have received new commands, a favor almost never before shown the commanders of lost vessels.

Old General Defends Verdun



General Petain is in command of the defending forces at Verdun. Hitherto, the commanding general's name has been kept a secret. He distinguished himself in the retreat from Charleroi in August, 1914, and became in rapid succession brigadier general, general of a division, general of an army corps and general of an army. General Petain is in his sixtieth year and is extremely active. It is said that he has spent the last ten days watching the battle about Verdun. From the seat of an armored motor car.

NEWS SUMMARY

General.
Washington said to have agreed with Carranza over sending American troops into Mexico after Villa.

Italians begin offensive all along their front.

Local.
Mothers meeting to learn more about baby this afternoon.

Local K. of C. now second largest in state.

Attempt to steal liquor from cellar is foiled.

32 New Members Initiated in K. of C. at Big Meeting Held Here; Other Towns Represented

Bringing the Pendleton council of the Knights of Columbus to a numerical strength second only to the Portland council in the state was the initiation of 32 new members yesterday. The local council now has 29 members than the La Grande council which, heretofore, was second to Portland.

For the initiation ceremonies yesterday there were many visiting knights present from La Grande, Walla Walla and Portland, and several grand officers of the order. In the morning at 10 o'clock all of the knights here and the candidates marched to the Catholic church to attend the morning services and the first degree, exemplified by the Walla Walla council, was given at 12 o'clock. At 1:30 the Pendleton team exemplified the second degree and at 3 o'clock the third degree was put on by the La Grande team. All of the initiation ceremonies were held in the Moose Hall.

To give concrete columns for buildings wide foundations a German engineer has invented a method for blasting away the earth with dynamite, making a hole which soft concrete quickly fills.

Work on Fac Building Progressing

FIRST UNIT OF BLEWETT HARVESTER COMPANY WILL SOON BE FINISHED.

Construction work on the first unit of the buildings for the Blewett Harvester Co. is progressing rapidly and the scene at the company's location on West Court street is one of activity.

The concrete foundation for the structure is already in and today Contractor Twitchell has been erecting the forms for the walls. He has a force of eight carpenters at work and will be prepared to commence pouring for the walls by Wednesday. He will have nine concrete men on the job and will have all the walls up by the end of the week, if present plans can be carried out.

Later on a bungalow office building is to be erected at the corner of Court and Ash streets and it is reported the company will this fall erect another concrete building on Court street similar to the structure now under construction on Ash.

REPORT DOUBTED THAT SHIP WAS SUNK WITHOUT WARNING

PARIS, March 12.—Have reports that the Norwegian bark Silius was torpedoed without warning. Some said a mine was responsible.

Wilson May Take a Hand to Settle Water Legislation

INTIMATES SHIELDS BILL WILL BE VETOED UNLESS RADICALLY CHANGED.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The president today promised to take a hand in the fight on the Shields water power bill which conservationists denounced as vicious. He told Representative Kent it was better to let waterpower run to waste than to wrongly settle the question. He intimated he would veto the bill unless it was radically amended. Kent asked the president to have Secretary Baker immediately give his attention to the control of waterpower on navigable streams. The war department has jurisdiction. Kent wrote the president:

"Without fear of contradiction, I again state that for influence and lobbying the waterpower crowd is the shrewdest and most dangerous lot of people we have to fight in this country today."
The president replied: "You may be sure I shall call Baker's attention to this matter at the earliest possible moment for you know my deep and genuine interest. I am watching the progress of legislation with great anxiety."

Mass Meeting of Mothers is Held This Afternoon; Better Babies is Subject Discussed

Today is Baby Day in Pendleton.

A host of mothers is assembled this afternoon in the Moose Hall for the purpose of hearing addresses that will inform them as to the better methods in caring for the little folks. The principal speakers are Mrs. George W. McMath of Portland, president of the Oregon Congress of Mothers, Dr. Guy L. Boyden and Miss Alice Butler, head of the domestic science department of the Pendleton schools.

The mass meeting is being held under the auspices of the women's clubs of the city and the parent-teachers' association, committees from which have been working for several weeks

ORDER TO SEND TROOPS INTO MEXICO IS DELAYED; MOVEMENT MAY BE LAUNCHED ON TUESDAY

New War Secretary



NEWTON D. BAKER. The man who will have part in sending troops into Mexico.

Sees to Get Balance.
A. J. Black has filed suit in the circuit court against Zoeth Houser for judgment for \$558, interest, costs and attorney fees. He alleges that balance due upon a note. Defendant executed a mortgage to protect the note, the complaint recites, and some of the chattels mortgaged were sold. Defendant, however, refused to apply all of the proceeds upon the note, plaintiff alleges, and refuses to permit the mortgage on the balance of the chattels to be foreclosed. S. A. Lowell is attorney for the plaintiff.

Good Institute Held.
County Superintendent I. E. Young has returned from Milton where Saturday was held a local institute by 52 teachers. Supt. Kivimms of Ellensburg was the principal speaker. In the afternoon he spoke upon "Sex Hygiene" and in the evening upon "The First American." The next local institute will be held at Stanfield upon April 1.

Alleged Threatened Resistance from Aroused Mexicans Said to be Holding Back the Expedition.

AMERICANS ARE MOBILIZING

Troops Are En Route to Border Points in Readiness for Dash Across the Line When Word Comes; Finston Will Have All in Readiness Before March 15, It is Said.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Secretary of State Lansing announced this afternoon the state department had reached an agreement with Carranza regarding American troops entering Mexico and the military reciprocity proposition.

During a debate in the senate Chamberlain declared:

"If we think we can whip Mexico in a few weeks we will be woefully surprised. I believe Villa will become a national hero. Sixty thousand men may rally about him."

Chamberlain's remark interrupted Borah in a speech joining Fall in opposing a reciprocal military agreement with Carranza.

Doubting the effectiveness of the Mexicans as fighters, McCumber said they mostly were ignorant and blanketed Indians. He asked Smoot where they got their rifles.

"From the United States," interposed Warren.

Smoot said the Mexicans have more machine guns than America. We could not get over 20,000 men on the border within 30 days and must face a Mexican army of sixty or seventy thousand, disciplined and equipped, he declared.

Washington ordered the military authorities to hold Consul Gavira, representing the defacto government as responsible for the safety of the Mormons. Unconfirmed reports said the Mormons were marching aloft across the desert toward the border.

Carranzistas are digging trenches on the border east of Juarez. The entrenchments face El Paso. Mexican troops also occupied an island in the Rio Grande from which El Paso is easily reached. Soldiers of the seventh infantry and a number of special deputies armed with rifles were placed on guard opposite the Carranzistas.

A thousand of Texans are organizing, probably to offer their services to assist in the invasion. Influential cattlemen on the western Texas plain are organizing and equipping a regiment of cowboys. They may offer the leadership to Colonel Roosevelt.

DOUGLAS, Arizona, March 12.—Cullerton's ranch, 60 miles east of Douglas, was officially designated today as one point from which American troops will enter Mexico. The force will include the seventh and tenth cavalry. The tenth cavalry started to march from Slaughter's ranch, 20 miles east this morning. One battery of the sixth field artillery accompanied them. A scouting party of one officer and nine men crossing the border Saturday night led to the report the invasion already had begun. The result of the scouting party's efforts is unknown.

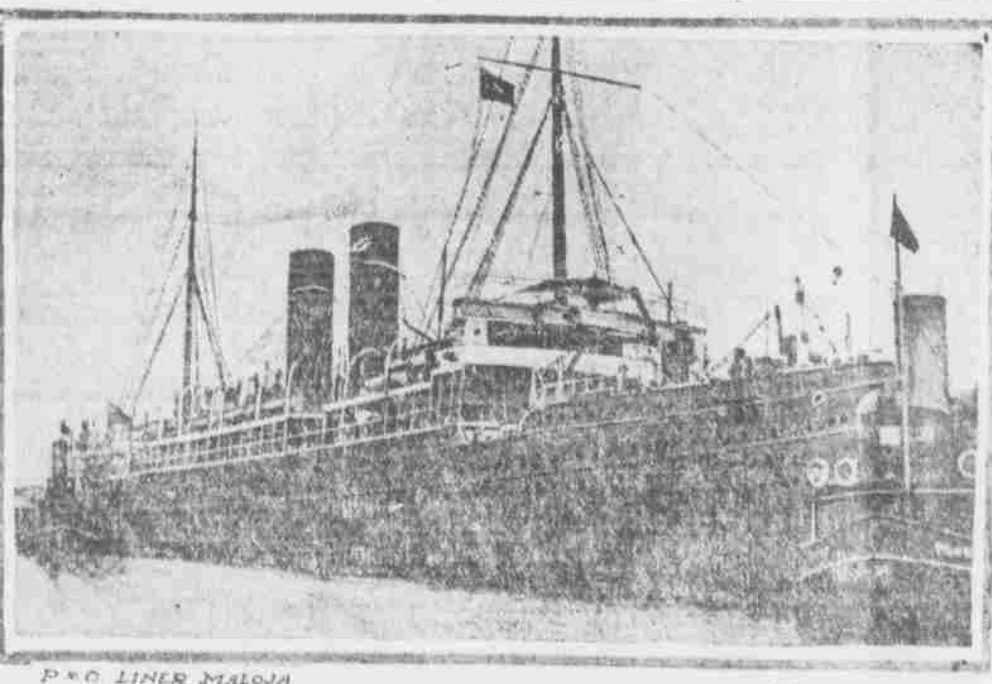
EL PASO, March 12.—Threatened by an alleged organized resistance from aroused Mexican the expedition to crush Villa was still held in check today. Troops are on route in special trains from all army branches, either to participate in the move into Mexico or to replace the border troops by being sent across the line. A movement of troops is now expected on Tuesday, though Finston's policy of thorough preparation may cause a further delay.

Carranza's threatened opposition and Villa's flight toward the wilderness of Arizona Mexicans which are at the mercy had torn the border today between army and civil. The Carranzistas almost have expressed trouble in suppressing anti-American demonstrations. Six Americans, arrested from Chihuahua state, they reported two Carranzista officers had threatened their lives.

Twelve thousand Americans are mobilizing. The invading expedition may avoid the cities to prevent trouble with non-combatants. It is expected, however, they will seize the

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Liner on Which Many Passengers Died



The British liner Maloja sank two miles off Dover, presumably by striking a mine. It is estimated that 171 persons were lost. It is believed the Germans have sown mines in British waters by specially constructed submarines.